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**NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON**

**13<sup>th</sup> December, 2018**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Chase (in the Chair)  
Councillors Barfield, Beasant, Bolton, Brookes, Cairns, Cracknell, De Freitas, Dickerson, Fenty, Freeston, Goodwin, Harness, Hasthorpe, Jackson, James, Lindley, Mill, Nichols, Nici, Oxby, Parkinson, Patrick, Pettigrew, Procter, Rodwell, Rogers, Rudd, Shepherd, Sheridan, Shreeve, Silvester, Swinburn, Walker, Watson, K. Wheatley, P. Wheatley and Wilson.

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| <b>OFFICERS:</b> | Rob Walsh    | Chief Executive                      |
|                  | Simon Jones  | Chief Legal and Monitoring Officer   |
|                  | Paul Windley | Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager |

NEL.90 **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor welcomed all those present to this meeting. This included St Nicholas who was visiting the Borough from Konigswinter and the Mayor invited him to address Council.

St Nicholas explained that it was a great honour for him to be in Cleethorpes for his traditional Christmas visit and to bring the best wishes of the Mayor and all citizens of Konigswinter. He wished all present a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

NEL.91 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillors Barber, Darby, Hyldon-King and Mickleburgh.

NEL.92 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of North East Lincolnshire Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were approved as a correct record.

NEL.93 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors Bolton, Swinburn and Watson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item NEL.101 as members of Immingham Town Council but were able to participate in this item under the 'Exempt Categories' at paragraph 13 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

Councillors Hasthorpe and James declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item NEL.101 as members of Laceby Parish Council but were able to participate in this item under the 'Exempt Categories' at paragraph 13 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

Councillor Pettigrew declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item NEL.101 as a member of Ashby Cum Fenby Parish Council but was able to participate in this item under the 'Exempt Categories' at paragraph 13 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

Councillor Fenty declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item NEL.101 as a member of Humberston Parish Council but was able to participate in this item under the 'Exempt Categories' at paragraph 13 of the Members' Code of Conduct.

NEL.94 **THE LEADER'S STATEMENT**

The Council received a statement from the Leader of the Council.

Councillor Oxby reflected on the last 12 months and commented that 2018 had been a year when many of the Council's plans had finally come together.

While regeneration and investment didn't happen overnight, thanks to the dedication of officers and members, funding had been received to regenerate areas across the Borough. The historic Town Deal was signed with Government ministers in July and is the only one of its kind in the UK, showing that the Government has belief in our vision. A report was expected to be considered by Cabinet later this month to further progress this key project for the area and, if approved, begin to see activity which would radically change the outlook of parts of the town.

The Leader reported on the launch of the South Humber campaign as part of the South Humber Industrial Investment Programme (SHIIP), to promote the area as Britain's best industrial base for business. He felt that the economic growth opportunity for the region was unparalleled, with this Council playing a key role in supporting the resurgence of the Humber area. However, he stressed the importance of continuing to talk openly of the challenges being faced and set out a clear ambition to meet those challenges.

The Leader noted that the administration had made some tough decisions as a result of the government's austerity measures and an overall budget cut of more than 35% since 2010. However, through prudent financial management and streamlining ways of working, the council has continued to protect many of the services for the most vulnerable and disadvantaged. In other areas of activity, there had been a crackdown on rogue landlords, anti-social behaviour, fly-tippers and those who allow their dogs to foul the streets. The recent Skip It events had helped nearly 5000 people unload nearly 200 tonnes of rubbish.

The council had been shortlisted for four national awards for our work, two of them for ground-breaking activity in helping to change behaviour and one for Council of the Year. This was on top of the national award recently received by the council's children's services. The Leader reported on his visit this week to a much bigger authority as part of a Local Government Association peer review. From what he saw, he was reassured and surprised by how far in front this authority was in terms of planning for the challenges ahead. In conclusion, he felt that things were changing in the area and there would be disruption as building work started, but it would be worth it as the area grew and attractions increased. He looked forward to continuing growth in 2019 and beyond.

NEL.95 **QUESTION TIME**

No questions had been received from members of the public for consideration at this meeting.

NEL.96 **UK YOUTH PARLIAMENT MEMBER UPDATE**

Council received an update from the North East Lincolnshire Deputy Member of the UK Youth Parliament on current issues affecting children and young people.

Max Kerrigan, Deputy Member of the UK Youth Parliament, provided an update on the Make Your Mark campaign. This had commenced with an annual sitting in Nottingham which had debated fifty issues and the resulting priorities had then been put to the vote across all schools and colleges. Over 1.1 million people had taken part nationally. While there had been a slight reduction in the numbers voting locally, 35% of young people had still participated. Ending knife crime was seen as a key priority for young people, having attracted 20% of the vote. Max noted that transport had fallen down the priority list, which he felt was a reflection of the positive work undertaken over the past year.

Max reported on the recent Takeover Day and, in particular, the question time event that was part of the activities. He noted that a summary of the event would be available soon.

A number of short films had been produced to promote mental health services in North East Lincolnshire and challenge the stigma attached to mental health. There were plans for two more films in the New Year and Max reported that this work had been recognised by the receipt of a Princess Diana Award in September.

A partnership project had been established to tackle loneliness. The young reporters were writing articles about loneliness and a booklet was also being produced. An event was due to be held in January, 2019 to focus on combatting loneliness.

Max concluded by thanking Members for their help and continued support.

NEL.97

### **PETITION FOR DEBATE – FIELD HOUSE ROAD, HUMBERSTON**

Council received a petition for debate requesting that the section of Field House Road between the shopping precinct and Midfield Road is resurfaced urgently in the interest of safety.

Councillor Harry Hall, Chair of Humberston Parish Council, was invited to address Council on behalf of the petitioners. Councillor Hall referred to previous partial resurfacing of the road and understood that lack of finance had delayed completion of remaining works. However, there had now been a further 500 houses built in the area with the only access being through Midfield Road. This had resulted in Field House Road being used as a 'rat run' and the road was badly deteriorating. Pothole repairs had added to the problem. Councillor Hall felt that it had now reached the stage where there could be fatalities if nothing was done.

Councillor Patrick, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, responded to the petition. He noted that the remaining works to the road would cost approximately £272k and would be weighed up against other urgent demands. The situation would continue to be monitored and would be prioritised but he cautioned that it had not been evidenced as being dangerous. He noted the reduction on funding for road maintenance but added that the budget was spent in full each year. Therefore, he proposed that the petition be received. This was seconded by Councillor Oxby.

Councillor Fenty supported the petitioners and explained how ward councillors had been lobbying for the resurfacing to be completed. He proposed an amendment that the 350m section of Field House Road between the shopping precinct and Midfield Road be brought forward as a priority for delivery as part of the 2018/19 highways maintenance programme. This was seconded by Councillor Harness.

Following a debate, the amendment was put to the vote. After the outcome of the initial vote was challenged, a further vote took place and the amendment was carried with the Chair's casting vote.

The amendment, being the new substantive Motion, was then debated and put to the vote by the Mayor. This was carried with the Mayor's casting vote.

**RESOLVED** – That the resurfacing of the section of Field House Road between the shopping precinct and Midfield Road be referred to the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy for re-prioritisation for delivery as part of the 2018/19 highways maintenance programme.

NEL.98

### **NOTICE OF MOTION 1**

Council considered a Notice of Motion, proposed by Councillor Rudd, seconded by Councillor Patrick and submitted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders as set out below:

Council notes that North East Lincolnshire and its people have always been intrinsically linked with the seas. The borough has a rich history of fishing dating back centuries, in the mid-1800s the port of Grimsby grew rapidly, but following a significant decline of the industry the ports becoming a significant player in the offshore wind industry.

It is with concern that this Council notes the growing problem of plastic pollution and its devastating effect on marine environments, in the North Sea and beyond. Council notes that in 2016 the Ellen MacArthur Foundation estimated that, by weight, there could be more plastic in our oceans than fish as soon as 2050.

Council acknowledges that it must take on a leadership role in the fight against plastic pollution and must work with partners, arm's length organisations, local businesses and local residents to reduce the area's reliance on single-use plastics. Council commits to building on the high levels of recycling found across the area in order to minimise plastic waste and to ensure that disposable items – such as plastic bottles – are recycled wherever possible.

The motion was debated, during which Councillor Lindley moved the closure motion "that the vote be put". This was seconded by Councillor Shreeve, and the Mayor put this closure motion to the vote. The closure motion was declared carried and Councillor Rudd's motion was put to the vote. Given the wide support for the motion, Council agreed to a vote by show of hands and the motion was unanimously agreed.

**RESOLVED** – That this Council acknowledges that it must take on a leadership role in the fight against plastic pollution and must work with partners, arm's length organisations, local businesses and local residents to reduce the area's reliance on single-use plastics. That this Council commits to building on the high levels of recycling found across the area in order to minimise plastic waste and to ensure that disposable items – such as plastic bottles – are recycled wherever possible.

NEL.99

### **NOTICE OF MOTION 2**

Council considered a Notice of Motion, proposed by Councillor Freeston, seconded by Councillor Fenty and submitted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders as set out below:

That this Council invest in more CCTV in our residential areas in order to combat the rising crime levels and to reassure the public of our commitment to making North East Lincolnshire a safer place to live.

An amendment to the Motion had been received, in accordance with the Constitution, and was moved by Councillor Bolton, seconded by Councillor Beasant, requesting that the motion be re-worded as follows:

This Council welcomes the current review by the Director of Resources and Governance and the support for said review by the Communities Scrutiny Panel, as outlined on page 483 of the minute book, to invest more resources into the existing CCTV in our communities in support of combating the rising crime levels caused in part by ongoing austerity by central government. CCTV is just one of several tools in fighting crime, and crucially, it is substantially more effective with a well-funded police presence to respond to incidents in progress and to investigate incidents caught on camera.

Therefore, Council resolves to:

- Write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and local government, James Brokenshire requesting the critical need to make more funding readily available to support local authorities whom wish to invest in anti-crime related infrastructure such as CCTV.
- Write to the Home Secretary, Sajid Javid calling for a return to at least the levels of funding that our police forces received prior to sweeping austerity programmes that devastated police numbers and increased demands on the police and other related agencies.

Members debated this amendment and at the conclusion of the debate, a recorded vote was held on the amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Councils Standing Orders, the votes cast were recorded as follows:

#### For the amendment

Councillors Barfield, Beasant, Bolton, Chase, De Freitas, Goodwin, James, Mill, Nichols, Oxby, Patrick, Rodwell, Rogers, Rudd, Sheridan, Walker, Watson, K. Wheatley, P. Wheatley and Wilson (20 votes).

#### Against the amendment

Councillor Brookes, Cairns, Cracknell, Dickerson, Fenty, Freeston, Harness, Hasthorpe, Jackson, Lindley, Nici, Parkinson, Pettigrew, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve, Silvester and Swinburn (18 votes).

The amended Motion, being the new substantive Motion, was then debated and put to the vote by the Mayor. A recorded vote was held in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Standing Orders, the votes cast were recorded as follows:

#### For the motion

Councillors Barfield, Beasant, Bolton, Chase, De Freitas, Goodwin, James, Mill, Nichols, Oxby, Patrick, Rodwell, Rogers, Rudd, Sheridan, Walker, Watson, K. Wheatley, P. Wheatley and Wilson (20 votes).

Against the motion

Councillor Brookes, Cairns, Cracknell, Dickerson, Fenty, Freeston, Harness, Hasthorpe, Jackson, Lindley, Nici, Parkinson, Pettigrew, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve, Silvester and Swinburn (18 votes).

RESOLVED –

- (1) That this Council write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, requesting the critical need to make more funding readily available to support local authorities whom wish to invest in anti-crime related infrastructure such as CCTV.
- (2) That this Council write to the Home Secretary, calling for a return to at least the levels of funding that our police forces received prior to sweeping austerity programmes that devastated police numbers and increased demands on the police and other related agencies.

NEL.100

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

The Mayor moved that the Council's Standing Orders governing the length of meetings be suspended to permit this meeting to continue beyond 10.00 p.m. This was seconded by Councillor Freeston. Upon a show of hands, the motion was carried and it was

RESOLVED - That the Council's Standing Orders governing the length of meetings be suspended to permit this meeting to continue beyond 10.00 p.m.

NEL.101

**COUNCIL TAX BASE**

Council considered a report which sought approval of the Council Tax Base for 2019/20.

The recommendations within the report were moved by Councillor Watson and seconded by Councillor Oxby.

Councillor Jackson proposed the following amendment to the recommendations within the report:

That the maximum Local Council Tax Support Scheme discount for working age claimants be reduced from 75% to 70%, realising an estimated additional £285,000 of recurrent income.

This was seconded by Councillor Shreeve.

Following a debate, the amendment was put to the vote. Upon a show of hands, the amendment was declared lost by 18 votes to 20 votes.

Councillor Swinburn proposed a further amendment that the proposed removal of the transitional protection for parish councils be deferred for one year to allow parish councils to have sufficient notice of the change being effective from 2020.

This was seconded by Councillor Jackson.

Following a debate, the amendment was put to the vote. A recorded vote being requested in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders, the votes cast were as follows:

#### For the Amendment

Councillors Brookes, Cairns, Cracknell, De Freitas, Dickerson, Fenty, Freeston, Harness, Hasthorpe, Jackson, Lindley, Nici, Parkinson, Pettigrew, Procter, Shepherd, Shreeve, Silvester and Swinburn (19 votes).

#### Against the Amendment

Councillors Barfield, Beasant, Bolton, Chase, Goodwin, James, Mill, Nichols, Oxby, Patrick, Rodwell, Rogers, Rudd, Sheridan, Walker, Watson, K. Wheatley, P. Wheatley and Wilson (19 votes).

The amendment was declared lost by the Chair's casting vote.

A vote was then taken on the substantive motion and the recommendations within the report were declared carried by 20 votes to 18 votes.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Council Tax base for the financial year 2019/20 be 43,240.8 properties (Band D equivalent).
- (2) That the transitional protection for Parish Councils be removed from April 2019.

NEL.102

#### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

The Mayor invited Councillor Swinburn to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Finance, Governance and Resources, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council's Standing Orders:

*“There are approximately 2000 elderly people in the Immingham Ward who are eligible for a bus pass, there are opportunities for elderly people to renew passes at two locations in Grimsby and one in Cleethorpes but there are none in Immingham. These elderly residents are finding it difficult to get to the locations in Grimsby and Cleethorpes. Would the portfolio holder look into providing the facility for renewing bus passes in Immingham?”*



Councillor Watson, Portfolio Holder for Finance, Governance and Resources, responded that there are currently 1137 senior citizen bus passes issued in Immingham and, following the issue being raised by a local resident, we are looking into options about the possibility of an online offer for bus passes. Officers are also meeting with the current bus pass contract provider to examine the matter, both in terms of the renewals and new passes, and we would also be willing to work with other partners to try to come up with a solution for qualifying residents in Immingham.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Swinburn enquired whether the Immingham Hub facility could be looked at as a potential solution.

Councillor Watson responded that officers had met with the current provider today and were committed to work with anyone to bring the facility to the ward. He agreed to keep Councillor Swinburn updated.

The Mayor invited Councillor Swinburn to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Housing, Skills and Assets, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council's Standing Orders:

*"It is now public knowledge that Immingham Golf Club has now closed down and ceased trading. NELC own half of the land (the back nine holes). Could the portfolio holder tell me what plans NELC have for the future of the land owned by the Council and what discussions, if any, have taken place?"*

Councillor Wheatley, Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Housing, Skills and Assets responded that the council was aware of Immingham Golf Club closing and ceasing trading. The Estates team were working with the Legal and Assets teams and were in dialogue with the club regarding the situation, following normal estates management practice. Unfortunately the Council was awaiting the appointment of an insolvency consultant so that the matter of the legal lease can be resolved and have limited options until these have been formally resolved. There has been active interest in the property, therefore, once the insolvency consultant was appointed, Estates would inform the consultant of the interest. Should the lease be determined and the property come back to the Council, it would be at that time that the Council would be free to pursue the interest itself or look to remarket the property. Councillor Wheatley agreed to keep Councillor Swinburn updated.

The Mayor invited Councillor Procter to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council's Standing Orders:

*"As a democrat I am deeply disappointed that the 'save toll bar' roundabout petition was not presented to full council as required by the councils own petition policy. Could the Portfolio Holder explain why the views of more than 7,000 residents have been so robustly dismissed?"*

Councillor Patrick, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, responded that, as a compromise, the lead petitioner was invited to present to Cabinet at the meeting when the decision on the roundabout was due to be taken. The lead petitioner had subsequently agreed to this and the matter was conducted under the watchful eye of the Council's Monitoring Officer.

The Mayor invited Councillor Procter to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Housing, Skills and Assets, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council's Standing Orders:

*"Grimsby town centre businesses this year have been subjected to a whole range of problems. For example, anti-social behaviour, robberies and increasing competition from online retailers. I hope the development of the cinema is still going ahead. However, as it stands now the riverhead square is unattractive and is becoming a magnet for anti-social behaviour. Could the portfolio holder confirm whether this much needed cinema development will still be going ahead?"*

Councillor P. Wheatley, Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Housing, Skills and Assets responded by noting the Leader's comments within his earlier statement on industry's confidence in the council's plans for the regeneration of the area. Councillor Wheatley reported that Grimsby Town Centre, in common with the vast majority of shopping areas, had seen the effects of the changing dynamics in retail which had been well publicised in the press both national and local. This Council has not stood still though and in addition to taking the lead with bringing Cartergate forward, which had seen a large law firm expand, we have secured further Local Growth Funding for the town centre and moreover, signed an innovative Town Deal with Government that opens up a host of opportunities for us all. On a more localised level, the Council was proactively working with the Police and businesses to deal with some of the issues within the town centre. Councillor Wheatley questioned how developers could be encouraged to invest when there was such knocking of the area as highlighted in this question. In terms of the cinema, this Council had worked tirelessly with the owners of Freshney Place which had seen a land deal completed and planning permission granted. It was for the owners of Freshney Place, or any future owners, to decide exactly how and when a development was brought forward. Therefore, this remained a private sector led project but the council has protected its position in terms of the land.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Procter asked if there was an alternative plan in place should the cinema development not proceed.

Councillor P. Wheatley responded by referring to his previous answer and requesting patience.

The Mayor invited Councillor Harness to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council's Standing Orders:

*“The pending Tollbar Junction road works that have been agreed by cabinet will require a detailed traffic management plan not just for commuter traffic but a plan to enable education to continue to function at the Tollbar Academy without the daily school traffic scenario bringing commuter traffic to a standstill. Do we have one?”*

Councillor Patrick, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy responded that there was a traffic management plan in place.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Harness enquired why all stakeholders had not been consulted.

Councillor Patrick responded that the current plan was in draft stage and there would be formal consultation.

The Mayor invited Councillor Shreeve to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council’s Standing Orders:

*“The Environment Scrutiny Panel (formally Regeneration) reviewed proposals to modify three key junctions, Nuns Corner, Littlecoates Road and Tollbar Roundabout making recommendations to cabinet in respect of each. Two of the recommendations were accepted, with the retention of Tollbar roundabout being rejected with the inevitable mass protests against the decision. There have been murmurs recently that the remaining recommendations are again up for review. Can portfolio holder confirm whether there are any plans for further review of Nuns corner and Littlecoates Road?”*

Councillor Patrick, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy responded that there were no plans to review the junctions referred to.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Shreeve enquired whether pedestrian safety for these junctions didn’t matter in the same way that it did at Toll Bar roundabout.

Councillor Patrick responded that safety of pedestrians did matter.

The Mayor invited Councillor Jackson to present the following question to the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, the question having been submitted on notice in accordance with Council’s Standing Orders:

*“Following October’s Cabinet decision to proceed with preplacing Tollbar roundabout with a traffic light controlled junction, I have heard from a number of sources that construction work will not commence until July next year. Please can the Portfolio holder confirm the planned start date for these works?”*

Councillor Patrick, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy responded that, at this stage, he was unable to confirm the start date.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Jackson enquired whether the timing of next year's local elections had any influence on this.

Councillor Patrick responded that it did not and it related to other requirements such as the tendering process, the award of contract and the traffic management plan.

NEL.103

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

At CB.37 – Litter Bin Review – Councillor Swinburn enquired where Immingham would fit into this review.

Councillor Patrick, Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Energy, responded that ward councillors would be consulted.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Swinburn commented that he had heard from officers that Immingham would be exempt from this review and he asked if this was correct.

Councillor Patrick responded that Immingham would be included in the review.

Also at CB.37, Councillor Shepherd enquired when Members would be consulted on the location of the agreed street litter bins.

Councillor Patrick responded that he expected this to happen in early 2019.

At CB.43 – Dog Fouling and Littering - Councillor Wilson asked for an update on the number of penalty notices issued.

Councillor Bolton, Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities, responded that 127 fixed penalty notices had been issued in a three week period.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Wilson asked how many of these had been in the West marsh ward.

Councillor Bolton agreed to provide Councillor Wilson with the details.

At CB.40 – Traffic Regulation Order Policy and Supporting Documents – Councillor Hasthorpe enquired whether the definition of the treatment of motorcycles within resident parking schemes had been clarified.

Councillor Patrick responded that, as yet, there had been no final decision on this but he agreed to update Councillor Hasthorpe as soon as this had been confirmed.

At CB.43 – Dog Fouling and Littering – Councillor Shreeve enquired how many penalty notices had been issued for dog fouling.

Councillor Bolton agreed to provide a written response.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Shreeve understood from the Regulatory Services Strategic Lead that none had been issued and he asked for confirmation whether this was the case.

Councillor Bolton agreed to confirm this within his written response.

Also at CB.43, Councillor Jackson welcomed the increased enforcement activity but enquired why it had taken until the end of 2018 to do this.

Councillor Bolton responded that this was a long-standing issue that had failed to be addressed in the past but he thought that progress was now being made.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Jackson asked for the evidence that this response was based on.

Councillor Bolton agreed to provide this within a written response.

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Oxby and seconded by Councillor Watson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.104

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

At resolution (1) of CB.50 – Lease Disposal of the Knoll, Cleethorpes – Councillor Fenty enquired why the site had not been leased on a fully repairing notice.

Councillor P Wheatley, Portfolio Holder for Regeneration, Housing, Skills and Assets, agreed to provide a written response.

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Oxby and seconded by Councillor Watson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.105

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Oxby and seconded by Councillor Watson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

- NEL.106 **MINUTES OF THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT AND ENERGY MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018**
- The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Patrick and seconded by Councillor Watson.
- RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Portfolio Holder Environment, Transport and Energy meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 be approved and adopted.
- NEL.107 **MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018**
- The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Beasant and seconded by Councillor Hasthorpe.
- RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 be approved and adopted.
- NEL.108 **MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – CHILDREN AND LIFELONG LEARNING MEETING HELD ON 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**
- The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Lindley and seconded by Councillor Cracknell.
- RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Children and Lifelong Learning meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.
- NEL.109 **MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – COMMUNITIES MEETING HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**
- At SPC.24 – Public Facing CCTV System, Councillor Patrick asked the Chair if he agreed that, once realised, there would be a substantially enhanced coverage of CCTV across the Borough.
- Councillor Shepherd, Chair of the Communities Scrutiny Panel, responded that he would be able to answer that after the review had concluded.
- The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Shepherd and seconded by Councillor Silvester.
- RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Communities meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.
- NEL.110 **MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – ECONOMY MEETING HELD ON 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**
- At SPE.23 – Abbey Walk Car Park Refurbishment – Councillor Procter enquired whether the Chair was pleased that Cabinet had accepted the panel's recommendation to carry out further due diligence of the proposed refurbishment.

Councillor Jackson responded that it was good that this matter had been referred back and he was pleased that Cabinet had taken notice of the panel's concerns.

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Jackson and seconded by Councillor Hasthorpe.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Economy meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.111

**MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – ECONOMY MEETING HELD ON 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

At SPE.41 – Annual Partnership Report 2018 – Councillor Rodwell sought an assurance that the Cleethorpes flood defence improvement works would not hinder the health and safety of residents using the area concerned.

Councillor Jackson responded that he was content that such assurances had been given.

At SPE.42 – Highways and Transport Scheme Update Report – Councillor Nici enquired whether the hospital access highways works provided value for money.

Councillor Jackson responded that having used the junction, he was not convinced that value for money had been achieved.

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Jackson and seconded by Councillor Hasthorpe.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Economy meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.112

**MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – ECONOMY MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Jackson and seconded by Councillor Hasthorpe.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Economy meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.113

**MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Shreeve and seconded by Councillor Dickerson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Health and Adult Social Care meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.114

**MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL – TOURISM AND VISITOR ECONOMY MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

At SPTVE.20 – Beach Safety Team Update – Councillor Fenty noted the significant rise in the number of incidents relating to beach mud and asked the Chair if he shared his concerns that growth of the salt marsh heightened such mud deposits.

Councillor Brookes responded that he was not an expert on such matters but agreed to include it on the agenda for the next meeting to allow advice to be taken.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Fenty asked if Cabinet should take the growth seriously and keep it restricted as previously agreed.

Councillor Brookes responded that he would ask the Leader if Cabinet could look at this to ensure agreed actions were being taken to curtail the growth of the salt marsh.

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Brookes and seconded by Councillor Parkinson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Scrutiny Panel – Tourism and Visitor Economy meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.115

**MINUTES OF SELECT COMMITTEE STREET SCENE MEETINGS HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> AND 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2<sup>nd</sup> AND 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

At SCSS.3 resolution 14 – Review of Street Scene across North East Lincolnshire – Councillor Shepherd asked if the Chair could expand on the good news stories on removal of fly tipping and enforcement of dog fouling.

Councillor Beasant, Chair of the Select Committee, referred to the earlier comments of the Portfolio Holder on the issuing of fixed penalty notices.

On the same minute, Councillor Hasthorpe felt that there was a restriction on good news that could be communicated when the fence backing on to Peaks Parkway from the Council's Doughty Road depot was covered by a plethora of adverts.

Councillor Beasant agreed to make officers aware of this issue.

On the same minute, Councillor Dickerson offered congratulations on the clearance of roundabouts but enquired when they would start to look at removal of 'A' frames as well.

Councillor Beasant responded that this was not within the remit of the Select Committee but he was sure it would be looked at if Members reported the issue to relevant officers.



On the same minute, Councillor Fenty enquired whether there had been any significant findings in relation to the state of the Borough.

Councillor Beasant responded that there had already been good news in relation to the increased size of the anti-social behaviour team, the issuing of fixed penalty notices and the success of the skip it events.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Fenty enquired why the entrance to the A180 was still blighted with weeds.

Councillor Beasant advised Councillor Fenty to report this to the relevant department.

On the same minute, Councillor Jackson referred to resolution 11 and sought an assurance that the council would not continue to pick up the financial cost of alleyway clearances following any transfer of ownership.

Councillor Beasant responded that this would initially involve at least one pilot scheme and he hoped residents would get involved.

In a supplementary question, Councillor Jackson enquired whether this would be at the expense of council tax payers.

Councillor Beasant responded that this was a community involvement scheme.

On the same minute, Councillor Wilson asked if the Chair felt that the select committee had been successful in terms of ward councillors being able to express their views so that improvements could be made.

Councillor Beasant responded that the select committee had worked very hard to deliver outcomes that all 42 Elected Members would want and he felt that it had been successful.

On the same minute, Councillor Rogers referred to resolution 10 and asked the Chair whether he agreed that the recent anti-social behaviour summit at Centre 4 had been a great success and supported the work of the select committee.

Councillor Beasant responded that he did agree and he welcomed the increased size of the anti-social behaviour team.

On the same minute, Councillor Jackson asked if the Chair agreed that a large percentage of the select committee's recommendations were similar to those of the Smarter Neighbourhoods Working Group from the previous year, which were subsequently ignored.

Councillor Beasant felt that the select committee's findings would help to overcome a number of problems.

On the same minute, Councillor Shepherd enquired whether the Chair was disappointed that no members of the judiciary attended the recent anti-social behaviour summit.

Councillor Beasant was not sure if they were invited. Councillor Bolton, Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities, confirmed that they had been invited.

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Beasant and seconded by Councillor Wilson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Select Committee Street Scene meetings held on 19<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> October be approved and adopted.

NEL.116 **MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Shreeve and seconded by Councillor Harness.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.117 **MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Shreeve and seconded by Councillor Harness.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.118 **MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor James and seconded by Councillor Shreeve.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.119 **MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor James and seconded by Councillor Hasthorpe.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.120 **MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor James and seconded by Councillor Harness.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.121 **MINUTES OF THE LICENSING AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Barfield and seconded by Councillor Shepherd.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Licensing and Community Protection Committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.122 **MINUTES OF THE LICENSING AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Barfield and seconded by Councillor Fenty.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Licensing and Community Protection Committee meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.123 **MINUTES OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Oxby and seconded by Councillor Watson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Appointments Committee meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.124 **MINUTES OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018**

The minutes of the above meeting were moved by Councillor Oxby and seconded by Councillor Watson.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the Appointments Committee meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 be approved and adopted.

NEL.125 **GAMBLING POLICY REVIEW**

Council considered a report outlining the Council's "statement of principles" to apply in exercising its functions under the Gambling Act 2005.

RESOLVED – That North East Lincolnshire Council's proposed statement of principles for 2019-2021 be approved.

NEL.126

**MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF HUMBERSIDE FIRE AUTHORITY**

The Council received the minutes of the meetings of the Humberside Fire Authority held on 27<sup>th</sup> July and 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meetings of the Humberside Fire Authority held on 27<sup>th</sup> July and 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018 be noted.

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 11.35 p.m.