## **BROUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday, 29th March 2021, at 7.30 pm, via Zoom

# **Public Participation**

A member of the public expressed concerns about a flagpole being potentially erected near the War Memorial. Personally they didn't have a problem with a flags, but believed there were lots of places in the village where a flagpole could go. Raising the flag over the War Memorial on St. George's Day would distract from what the War Memorial was all about. St. George's Day was about celebration, whilst the War Memorial was about reflection and remembrance of those who had died in two World Wars. They said the soldier was seated deep in thought, his chin resting on one hand and a laurel branch of peace in the other reflecting on the tomb in front of him, and a reminder to us all of the cost of war and nothing should deflect from that message. They also stated that the memorial was a listed building and any changes would therefore need permission.

Another member of the public thought a flag would enhance the area, enhance what we remember has gone before, and enhance the town centre. They said it just doesn't have to be just for sombre thought, they thought those people who had lost their lives wouldn't want us mourning all the time, but be happy sometimes. They believed it was something the town could be proud of; it is not to take anything away but to enhance the area.

# 3468. Record of Members Present

The following councillors were present: Councillors Senior (Mayor), Leitch, Mumby-Croft, Price, Ross, Simpson, Whittingham and Tattersfield.

# 3469. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

There were apologies from Councillor Portess - ill.

#### 3470. Declarations of Interest

- (i) Councillor Simpson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 13
- Multi-User Games Area.
- (ii) The Clerk had received and granted no dispensations.

# 3471. Mayor's Report

The Mayor informed the Council that he, the Deputy Mayor and the Clerk had attended a meeting with North Lincolnshire Council on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021, to do with Pocket Park, and then another meeting with BCSA on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021, to do with the MUGA. **It was resolved that the report be noted.** 

## 3472. Police Matters

The Clerk informed councillors that once again he had reported youths who were breaching the lockdown by being in the Skate Park to the Police, and in addition he had received a phone call from a resident informing him that youths had also been on the roof of the Community Hub. It was resolved that the information be noted.

# 3473. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of a meeting of the Full Council held on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021, were circulated prior to the meeting. **It was resolved that they be approved as a correct record.** 

# 3474. Matters Arising

<u>Minute 3451 Correspondence (ii) a) ERNLLCA</u> - Land Registry Survey. The Clerk had completed the Land Registry Survey on behalf of the Council.

Minute 3451 Correspondence (ii) e) North Lincs Council - North Lincolnshire Community Network Meeting. The Clerk had sent a link to Councillors Price, Ross, Senior and Whittingham to enable them to attend the North Lincolnshire Community Network Meeting on behalf of the Council.

<u>Minute 3457 Speed Signs</u> - The Clerk had asked the Deputy Clerk to liaise with North Lincolnshire Council over the Speed Signs. To ensure they were put on Appleby Lane and Ermine Street, facing traffic as it came into the town on both roads, re-used existing posts if possible but if not erected new posts, and also worked with traffic management at North Lincolnshire Council to decide where they would best go on these roads.

<u>Minute 3460 Purchase of Mower</u> - The Clerk had purchased the new lawnmower from Crawford Lawnmowers Ltd at a cost of £199.99.

<u>Minute 3463 Items Raised By Councillors (ii) Fundraising for Broughton in Bloom</u> - The Clerk had sent a letter of thanks to both girls thanking them for their fundraising efforts towards Broughton in Bloom.

# 3475. Correspondence

- i) a) Citizens Advice North Lincolnshire EU Settlement Scheme
- b) North Lincs Council Forestry England
- c) North Lincs Council Walk Update
- d) PS Rion New Sergeant
- e) BCSA Outstanding Invoices & Grounds Maintenance Update
- f) Environment Agency Routine Maintenance Factsheet
- g) Ms L Watson Application to Go on the Town Council
- h) North Lincs Council Town & Parish Council Liaison Meeting & Presentations
- i) Councillor R Waltham Town Council Report
- j) HSBC Changes to Pricing, Terms and Conditions and Services
- k) HSBCnet HSBCnet Mobile App
- I) Mr S Squires Twitter
- m) Rural Services Network Revitalising Rural: Realising the Vision
- n) Kirton in Lindsey Town Council Virtual Quiz
- o) North Lincs Council NHW Webinars
- p) Mr N Crampton Moor Beck Habitat Site
- q) HSBCnet Protect your Organisation from Business Email Compromise
- r) North Lincs Council The 2021 Budget Unwrapped and More!
- s) Humberside & South Yorkshire ACF War Graves in Town / Parish Locations
- t) Mr W Gammon Keep Left Sign Replacement
- u) Ms D Hotson Woodland Drive
- v) North Lincs Council NHW Webinar Extra Date
- w) Ms C Cook Floral Design for the Village Hall
- x) North Lincs Alliance Volunteer Hub North Lincs Community Network Meeting
- y) E.on Targeted Charging Review Webinar
- z) Mr A Curtis Allotment Fencing
- aa) North Lincolnshire Council Council Tax Band D Clarification
- bb) North Lincs Council Wildflower Spotter Sheets
- cc) E.on Changing Terms & Conditions
- dd) Mr M Richardson Broughton Show
- ee) PSE Digital Transformation & Overcoming Your Digital Self-Service Challenges

- ff) North Lincs Council Easter Changes to Collection
- gg) North Lincs Council Standards Training
- hh) Little Crow Solar Park Case Team Draft Examination Timetable & Preliminary Meeting
- ii) INRG Solar Ltd Little Crow Update

It was resolved that this correspondence should be noted.

- (ii) a) Mr T Cave Dog Fouling on Footpaths. Email complaining about dog fouling on the footpaths near Riverside Surgery. Mr Cave had raised the matter with the practice who advised him that patients regularly raise the issue with them. On a recent visit he witnessed a young lady with a small child and pushchair having to remove it from the wheels of her pushchair before putting it in the boot of her car. He added that it appeared to be on a regular dog walking route, however he didn't see any disposal bins in the area, therefore he requested that the matter to be raised at the next town council meeting. It was resolved that the Clerk should ask North Lincolnshire Council to provide a dog bin if there was not already one in the vicinity and also ask them to put up enforcement signs on lampposts within the locality.
- b) Mr T Flatters Internal Audit. Email from Mrs Flatters on behalf of her husband informing the Council that due to his health that he was no longer able to continue as the internal auditor, therefore the Council should make other arrangements so they could be in place before the next audit falls due. It was resolved that the information be noted, and in addition the Clerk should send a letter to Mr Flatters thanking him for auditing the Council's books over many years, and also wishing him all the very best in the future.
- c) <u>Wave</u> Survey. A request to complete a survey to enable Wave to know how the business water market could work better for customers. It was resolved that the information be noted.
- d) <u>Public Sector Executive</u> Net Zero Emissions Survey. A request to complete a survey where the answers will be used to create an in-depth analysis on targets and contributions to tackling the UK's carbon reduction targets. It was resolved that the information be noted.
- e) <u>NALC</u> Star Council Awards 2021. Information about this year's programme, which recognises the local (town and parish) council sector's achievements. The five award categories are: Clerk of the Year, County Association Project of the Year, Young Councillor of the Year, Councillor of the Year and Council of the Year. Entrants have until 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021 to submit their entries. **It was resolved that the information be noted.**
- f) <u>Public Sector Executive</u> Powering the Way: Decarbonisation of the Public Sector. Details of a seminar due to be held on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021. **It was resolved that the information be noted.**
- g) <u>Talk Talk</u> Customer Survey. A request to complete a survey to provide feedback on what the Council thinks about Talk Talk and the kind of services it is interested in. It was resolved that the information be noted.

- h) North Lincs Council Spring in Bloom 2021. Confirmation that the Council has been awarded up to £379 as a grant from North Lincolnshire Council for Spring in Bloom, however it was subject to certain conditions. As the deadline for accepting the grant was prior to the Full Council meeting, the Clerk had spoken with the Mayor and agreed he should accept the grant on behalf of the Council. It was resolved that the action taken by the Clerk with regard to the Spring in Bloom should be ratified by Full Council.
- i) <u>Local Transport Projects</u> North Lincolnshire Freight Strategy Questionnaire. A request to complete a questionnaire to establish local views / issues in relation to existing HGV / Freight movements and any thoughts / suggestions / ideas for potential solutions. The deadline for completing the questionnaire is Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021. **It was resolved that the information be noted.**
- j) <u>Fine Times</u> Guest Writer for an Article on Council's Website. A request to be able to post an article on the Council's website to do with ways to support the community and family. **It was resolved that the information be noted.**
- k) <u>NALC</u> Online Events for 2021. Details of several online events including the following: Building Back Resilient Communities Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021, from 12.00 pm to 1.00 pm, The Power of a Local Council and Community Business Partnership Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021, from 12.00 pm to 1.15 pm, How to get Young People Involved in Local Councils Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 12.00 pm to 1.15 pm, and Planning & Power Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021, from 12.00 pm to 1.15 pm. Cost for NALC members £30, Non-members £40. It was resolved that the information be noted.
- **I)** Government Exchange Team Leadership Skills Development. Details of a virtual workshop on Leadership Skills Development due to be held on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021. It was resolved that the information be noted.
- m) <u>ERNLLCA</u> Free Accounts Training. Details of a training session organised by Scribe, which is due to be held on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021, at 10.30 am. It was resolved that the Clerk should be allowed to attend the Free Accounts Training.
- n) <u>Ms D Grundy</u> Clearance of Overgrown Path. Email from Ms Grundy about an overgrown path from Broughton to Forest Pines including photos. She had tried as a Womble to establish how wide the path should be by clearing some of it, and said it wasn't easy to push a pram or wheelchair and could be extremely slippery when wet and covered in leaves. It was resolved that the Clerk should thank the Wombles for clearing part of the footpath from Broughton to Forest Pines, however the rest of the footpath should be brought to the attention of the Highways Department at North Lincolnshire Council.
- o) Mr G Day Flagpole for the Town Centre. A request had been made last year for a flagpole and the Council pointed out that there was already a flagpole which could be used at St. Mary's Church. However the restoration of the tower had meant that the flagpole was not available in the short term, however it was intended for there to be one available in the long term. The Council had now received a request to erect a flagpole at the War Memorial behind the soldier, however some councillors felt that this was perhaps not an appropriate location. Standing orders were temporarily suspended to allow a member of the public to speak, who said they had listened to what had been said and would come back with other proposals regarding the flagpole. It was resolved that the item should be deferred to allow for more information to come forward before a decision was made.

p) <u>Clarke Telecom</u> - Telecommunications Mast. Revised drawings showing the proposed location for a telecommunications mast on the playing field at the Phil Grundy Community & Sports Centre, Scawby Road, Broughton. It was resolved that this item should be moved and discussed after an update on the MUGA.

## 3476. Publications

The following publications had been received:-

Clerk & Councils Direct - Magazine	March 2021
HSBCnet - News	March 2021
North Lincs Council - Forthcoming Meetings	March 2021
OPCC - Newsletter	March 2021
Public Sector Network - Newsletter	March 2021
CPRE Northern Lincolnshire - Newsletter	April 2021

CPRE - Campaigns Update ERNLLCA - Newsletter ERPF - Employer Alert

Environment Agency - Wressle Wellsite

NACO - Newsflash NACO - Newsletter

NALC - Chief Executive's Bulletins

NALC - Coronavirus

NALC - Newsletter

North Lincs Council - Covid 19 Business Update

North Lincs Council - Weekly Roadworks List

North Lincs Council / Visit Lincoln - Tourism & Visitor Economy Policy Updates

Public Sector Executive - Online Newsletters

Rural Services Network - Bulletins & Rural Funding Digest

**SLCC - News Bulletins** 

It was resolved that the information be noted.

# 3477. Committee / Working Group Reports

- i) Recreation Field Working Group The minutes of a meeting of the Recreation Field Working Group held on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021, were circulated prior to the meeting. It was resolved that they be approved as a correct record.
- **ii)** General Purposes Committee The minutes of a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021, were circulated prior to the meeting. It was resolved that they be approved as a correct record.
- iii) <u>Personnel Committee</u> The minutes of a meeting of the Personnel Committee held on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, were circulated prior to the meeting. **It was** resolved that they be approved as a correct record.

# 3478. Planning

a) The following planning applications had been received:-

PA/2021/199 Proposal: Planning permission to erect a single-storey extension

(including demolition of garage)

Location: 1 Harrys Dream, Broughton, DN20 0DW

Applicant: Mr Danny Wraith

It was resolved that the Council should make no objections or comments.

PA/2021/202 Proposal: Planning permission to erect a single-storey extension

and make alterations to provide additional ground floor

accommodation

Location: 74 High Street, Broughton, DN20 0HY

Applicant: Mr & Mrs G Lee

It was resolved that the Council should make no objections

or comments.

PA/2021/342 Proposal: Planning permission to erect a single-storey front

extension

Location: Rosewood, 26 Town Hill, Broughton, DN20 0HD

Applicant: Mr Paul Anderson

It was resolved that the Council should make no objections

or comments.

**PA/2021/258** Proposal: Planning permission to erect a climbing frame

to the rear of the property

Location: 90 Windsor Way, Broughton, DN20 0EL

Applicant: Mr O Bassil

It was resolved that the Council should make no objections

or comments.

**PA/2021/465** Proposal: Planning permission to erect a single-storey

detached garage

Location: 2 Mill Cottages, Access Road to Houses on

Castlethorpe Corner, Castlethorpe, DN20 9LF

Applicant: Mr McClellen

It was resolved that the Council should make no objections

or comments.

**PA/2021/478** Proposal: Planning permission to erect a new single-storey

rear extension (including demolishing of existing single-storey

extension and conservatory)

Location: 88 High Street, Broughton, DN20 0HY

Applicant: Mrs Fiona Cowan

It was resolved that the Council should make no objections

or comments.

b) The following planning decisions had been received:-

**PA/2021/74** Full planning permission granted to erect a single-storey rear

extension and a first-floor front extension at 26 Avenue Nozay,

Broughton, DN20 0TR

PA/2020/1864 Planning permission to erect detached garage ancillary to the

main dwelling at Highwood House, A18 From A15 To B1206,

Broughton, DN20 9LZ

It was resolved that the information be noted.

c) The following planning correspondence had been received:-

#### PA/2019/2035

The appeal made by Mr Chris Morley against the decision made by North Lincolnshire Council to refuse outline planning permission for the development of 4 single storey dwellings on land adjacent to 17 Common Road, Wressle, where all matters were reserved for future approval was dismissed

#### It was resolved that the information be noted.

#### PA/2020/252

Proposal: Planning permission to erect 24 dwellings comprising 12 rent to home buy, 6 shared ownership and 6 open market dwellings

Site Location: Land east of Hillside Road, Broughton

**Appellant: Partner Construction** 

Inspectorate's Ref: APP/Y2003/W/21/3267926

Appeal Start Date: 1 March 2021

# It was resolved that the information be noted.

#### PA/2021/139

Notification that the application received on 25/01/2021 for determination of the requirement for prior approval of a household extension at 20 Brooklands Avenue, Broughton, DN20 0DR has been considered and it has been decided that North Lincolnshire Council's prior approval as to the impact of the proposed development on the amenity of the adjoining properties is not required

#### It was resolved that the information be noted.

# PA/2021/190

Notification that the application received on 05/02/2021 for determination of the requirement for prior approval of a household extension at 57 Estate Avenue, Broughton, DN20 0JZ has been considered and it has been decided that North Lincolnshire Council's prior approval as to the impact of the proposed development on the amenity of the adjoining properties is not required

# It was resolved that the information be noted.

<u>Note</u>: Councillor Mumby-Croft declared an interest in PA/2020/252 and therefore left the meeting for this whole item.

d) Water Testing at Wressle Wellsite - The Council had previously asked the Clerk to try and find out how many residents received their water from a spring, therefore he had sent residents a letter asking them if they received their water from the mains water supply or a spring, and also enclosed a stamped addressed envelope for them to return their replies. He delivered over forty letters and had received thirty replies back - twenty six received their water from the mains water supply, two from a spring, one queried why it was being done, whilst another believed it was a complete waste of time and money. This was probably due to the fact that North Lincolnshire Council were already testing the water supply of several houses in Wressle, whose water supply came from a spring. Councillor Price had managed to acquire some information from a resident that backed this up.

It was resolved that the Clerk should ask North Lincolnshire Council to share information about the water testing and frequency with Broughton Town Council.

# e) <u>Development Consent Order Application for Little Crow Solar Park</u> -

Notification that a Development Consent Order for Little Crow Solar Park had been accepted by the Planning Inspectorate, and the Council was asked to engage in the application, however it felt it had had nothing further to add. **It was resolved that this be noted.** 

## 3479. Finance

# (i) Audit Checks

The Clerk had provided financial information for the Mayor to audit the accounts for February, which he was in the process of doing. It was resolved that this be noted.

# (ii) Financial Accounts

Detailed monthly accounts for February 2021 were provided for councillors to scrutinise. It was resolved that these accounts be approved.

# (iii) Accounts for Payment

#### **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT - MARCH 2021**

#### Payments made since last meeting:-

Dr Card No.26	Zoom - Monthly Fee	14.39
BACS No.99	Payroll & Pension	5,641.20
	Yorkshire Bank - Bank Charges	6.50
DD	BT - Telephone Directory	82.76
Dr Card No.27	Broughton Post Office - Stamps	43.56
Dr Card No.28	Broughton Post Office - Stamps	43.56
DD	Talk Talk Business - Telephone & Broadband	39.60
Dr Card No.29	Broughton Post Office - Stamps	43.56
Dr Card No.30	MFG Brigg - Fuel for Mowers	17.41
	HSBC - Bank Charges	25.52
	HSBC - Bank Charges	11.40
DD	E.on - Gas Bill for Sports Centre	101.84
Dr Card No.31	Zoom - Monthly Fee	14.39
	Yorkshire Bank - Bank Charges	6.50
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It was resolved that the action taken be approved.

## Payments submitted at this meeting:-

29.03.21	BACS No.100	Payroll & Pension	5,752.33
	BACS No.101	Fair Gardens Plant Centre Ltd - Plants, Compost & Flowers	454.60
	BACS No.102	Crawford Lawnmowers Ltd - New Mower	199.99
	BACS No.103	BCSA - Grounds Maintenance	144.00
	BACS No.104	North Lincs Tree Services Ltd - Tree Work	3,115.00
	BACS No.105	Active Copier Systems Ltd - Photocopier Repair	288.00
	BACS No.106	DDM Agriculture Clients Account - Allotment Rent	500.00
	BACS No.107	Green Grass Contracting - Grounds Maintenance	1,380.00
	BACS No.108	Norton Security Systems - Annual Fire Alarm Service & Repair	294.45

It was resolved that these accounts be paid.

# 3480. Multi-User Games Area

The Mayor had earlier informed councillors that, he, the Deputy Mayor and the Clerk had been invited to attend a meeting about the MUGA with BCSA on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The Mayor then read out a statement from BCSA, which said they would be working with North Lincolnshire Council to secure funding for a community and sports facility, to complement the town's current sports provision. Plans had been drawn-up for BCSA to manage and maintain the land adjacent to the recreational ground with the ambition to host the new AstroTurf on it, amongst plans to develop the remaining land for further recreation, to reflect the needs of the community. As the project develops further, BCSA will be hosting a community consultation to allow residents and community groups to put their ideas forward for what they would like to see on the land. It hoped the residents of Broughton shared with them the excitement they felt in this new development. The Mayor was prepared to answer any questions, however specific questions could be forwarded to info@thisisbcsa.co.uk.

The new planning application for the MUGA had been submitted to North Lincolnshire Council and the Clerk would be asking for an extension so it could be considered at the next meeting of the Full Council, however if this was not possible then the Mayor would call an Extra-Ordinary Meeting.

The Clerk also informed councillors that he had now find out that all the Council required was a simple valuation of the land, but events had over-taken them.

It was resolved that the statement be noted, and the Clerk should pause the valuing of the field, so the Council didn't incur any costs.

<u>Note</u>: Councillor Simpson had earlier declared an interest in this item and therefore he left the meeting whilst it was being discussed, and Councillor Leitch left the meeting after it had been discussed due to him feeling unwell.

## 3481. Telecommunications Mast

The Clerk had received revised drawings from Clarke Telecom showing the proposed location for a telecommunications mast on the playing field at the Phil Grundy Community & Sports Centre, Scawby Road, Broughton. It was positioned in such a way to fit in with the MUGA, however if you remove the MUGA it is 5m from the hedge and part-way down the field, and therefore feels as though it is in the wrong place now. It was resolved that the Clerk should ask for a meeting to do with the telecommunications mast and also that authority should be given to the Clerk in conjunction with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to make a decision on behalf of the Council about the location of the telecommunications mast.

# 3482. Storage

At a meeting of the Recreation Field Working Group held on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021, it further discussed the existing and future requirements for storage, which led to it recommending to Full Council that it should consider a new breeze block building of 20m x 5m for storage purposes. It felt this was the most appropriate size for what was needed now and would also allow for future development, and was better from a health and safety point of view. Councillors were provided with copies of drawings showing the storage area and the equipment stored within it, however the Mayor felt there was now a need to appoint an architect in to draw-up some proper drawings to enable the Council to make a firm decision one way or the other. It was resolved that the Clerk should seek quotes from an architect to draw-up a diagram for a new breeze block building of 20m by 5m for storage purposes to replace the existing containers.

# 3483. Remembrance Parade

The Clerk had managed to obtain the following quotes for Remembrance Day:-

Traffic Management £250 + VAT

Band £150 Bugler £30

A total of £500 had been set aside in the budget for Remembrance Day.

It was resolved that subject to Remembrance Parade being allowed to go ahead on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021, that:- (i) Shift Traffic Events Ltd be asked to deal with the traffic management at a cost of £250 +VAT. (ii) Scunthorpe & District Pipe Band be asked to march and play at a cost of £150. (iii) Mr R Marshall be asked to act as Bugler for £30.

# 3484. Telephone & Broadband

The Clerk had managed to obtain three quotes for telephone and broadband:-

BT £17.50 for 9 months, then £34.95 for 15 months

Plusnet £24.50 per month plus £4.99 postage

Talk Talk £28.95 for 5 months, then £30.95 for 19 months

Talk Talk were the Council's current provider and their cost also included unlimited landline and mobile calls. It was resolved that the Clerk should take out a further 24 month contract with Talk Talk at a cost of £28.95 for 5 months, then £30.95 for 19 months + VAT.

## 3485. LIVES

This had been deferred from the last meeting of the Full Council held on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021, to enable more information to be gathered before a decision was made. The Clerk had managed to find out that the number of 999 medical emergencies attended by LIVES within the parish of Broughton during 2020 was 54, and in addition he had provided each councillor with a copy of their latest financial accounts. It was resolved that the Council should make a S137 grant of £250 to LIVES to help provide community responders within the parish.

#### 3486. Grounds Maintenance

At a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021, it recommended that the hedge next to the footpath which leads to the playing field should be cut by a contractor. It was resolved that Bailey's Garden Services should be asked to cut the hedge next to the footpath which leads to the playing field at a cost of £250.

#### 3487. Burial Book

The Clerk informed the Council that there was a need for a new register of burials book. It was resolved that the Clerk should purchase a Register of Burials book from Shaw & Sons at a cost of £187 + VAT.

#### 3488. VAT

When the Council set the precept for 2021/2022 it set aside £65,715 in a Community Project Reserve. However the Council is only able to claim back a limited amount in VAT each year without it becoming VAT registered, therefore if it wanted to claim the VAT back on any future community project it may have to become VAT registered in order to do so. It was resolved that the General Purposes Committee should look at the cost of the Council becoming VAT registered.

# 3489. Opening Hours Over Christmas & New Year 2021 / 2022

The opening hours for the Office, Centre, Play Park and Skate Park over Christmas and the New Year for 2021 / 2022 were discussed by councillors. It was resolved that the Office and Centre should be closed from Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021 up until and including Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022, whilst the Play Park and Skate Park would be closed from Saturday. 25<sup>th</sup> December 2021 up and until Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> December 2021, and it would also be closed on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022, and Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022.

## 3490. Reports From Council Representatives

The following was reported from the Council's representatives on the following bodies:-

- (i) <u>Village Hall Committee</u> No meeting, but starting to get bookings in.
- (ii) <u>Broughton Relief in Need Trust</u> There has been no meeting of the Trust since the last meeting of the Full Council.
- (iii) <u>Broughton Community & Sports Association</u> Holding a raffle to raise money for litter picking equipment and so far raised £450. Done work on the playing field which was due, in terms of overseeding and aeration, and now just waiting for an appropriate time to put some fertiliser down. Broughton Bulletin will be out as soon as it arrives back from the printers, however they are encouraging people to access it online and leave the hard copies for those who are unable to do so.
- **(iv)** Broughton Allotment Association & Leisure Gardeners Meet every month. The gate may be able to be fixed temporarily by the Handymen, however the fence will need to be done by a contractor, and therefore a quote is being sought for this however due to the cost of it three quotes are likely to be needed. Contracts have gone out, and need to check on those who don't want them and don't look after them.
- (v) Wressle Wellsite Community Liaison Group First meeting was held on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021. It is Co-chaired by Mr Martin Hempstock and Mr Jeff Storey and Egdon provided administrative services. Twenty-two people attended, including ten residents, representation from Planning at North Lincolnshire Council, the Environment Agency and Broughton Town Council (including the Mayor), and five employees from Egdon Resources (including the Managing Director, Director of Operations and Technical Directors). Answered most of the questions on the evening and promised to follow-up with detailed written answers where not possible to answer immediately. The draft minutes were sent out a couple of weeks after the meeting, then a week later sent detailed answers to twenty-one written questions.

It was resolved that the reports should be noted.

#### 3491. North Lincolnshire Council's Leader's Report

Councillor Waltham, the Leader of the Council informed the Council said that vaccinations were going really well. Consultation about to start on revisions to the traffic regulations on Greyfriars Road and Westminster Road. The bus-stop in Wressle got knocked over and is due to be reinstated. A site meeting scheduled for Pocket Park in April. Following a number of deer deaths ordered a new deer warning sign for Ermine Street and new public rights of way signs for Broughton Woods. Piggybacking a camera trial to do with the dropping of litter. It was pointed out over six hundred fines had been handed out to do with litter. Asked about the use of fluorescent spray to spray round dog mess to highlight it. Also 50,0000 trees planted in North Lincolnshire. It was resolved that the report be noted.

# 3492. Furloughing of Staff

The press and public were excluded due to the confidential nature of the item to be discussed. The Clerk explained to councillors that the furlough scheme was now going to be extended until September 2021 and from July the Council would have to pay more than twenty per cent towards staff who were furloughed, however with the easing of the lockdown the number of hours staff were furloughed should decrease over time as the bookings returned. It was resolved that the Clerk should be allowed to continue to be allowed to furlough / unfurlough staff as he sees fit as the lockdown eases during the coronavirus pandemic.

# 3493. Date, Time and Place of Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Full Council is due to be held on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021, at 7.30 pm, via Zoom. **It was resolved that the information be noted.** 

# 3494. Closure of Council Meeting

The meeting was closed by the Mayor at 9.37 pm.