

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

**held THE BEECHES COMMUNITY CENTRE, Birch Court, Tuxford on Thursday
21st September 2023, commencing 7:00pm**

PRESENT: Cllrs J Moorhouse (Chair), E Atkin, P Downing, D Gray, I Nicholls, E Bett, G Frost, S Richardson, K Rutherford, and R Walker, M Harris, S Leslie-Dakers, R Patman, M Richards,

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk, Lynda Donaldson, and two members of the public.

FC021 Inform Members and the Public (if any in attendance) that the meeting is being recorded.

Meeting is recorded for the purpose of accurate minute recording. Recordings are destroyed once minutes have been approved.

FC022 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received by Cllr Emma Griffin - noted
No apologies from Cllr L Stanniland and County Council J Ogle

RESOLVED: Reasons for apologies were given and accepted.

FC023 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Eric Bett was advised that he would not be able to take part in voting on Item 12 Bassetlaw Local Plan

FC024 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th August 2023 (folio ref 2023/047-052)

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr KR and Seconded by GF, all in favour.

FC025 Action Update from previous meeting

Planters, no further action

Joan has enquired to Sherwood Life, no response back, same

We wrote to Woodland Trust as it had previously been stated that the Trees were free and they are not. Cllr PD provided additional information to deal.

North Notts Responders Cllr SR (has contacted care home about Defib)

Bottle Bank Gilbert Avenue Clare Fox (done)

Newark Road Car Park Cllr MH & SR, deferred

War Memorial Office Manager (Requested)

Portable Toilets – Alternatives Cllr GF, awaiting new owners of Co Op

Bassetlaw DC Consultation Vision – Response Cllr RW, ongoing

Pollution Meters – To be resited Cllr RP, Cllr RP to collect and resite

1. To receive, accept, and resolve to approve any recommendations (if any) contained within the minutes of the following meeting, including to ratify action made by the Clerk:

- a. Personnel Committee 14th September 2023 (folio ref:2023/056-058)

Noted

- b. Planning Committee 07 September 2023 (folio ref: 2023/053-055)

Noted

FC027 District Councillor and County Councillor Reports

No one in attendance

FC028 Update – Town Plan and Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr RP had completed application for Bike Track/Shelter with lighting for Gilbert Avenue. Cllr RP was thanked by Cllr RW and Cllr JM and noted that this fits exactly with what the Tuxford residents had asked for and links well to Ashvale Estate.

Cllr RW notes that more input is required for the Neighbourhood plan and appeals for more support from Cllrs, public, business etc. First phase completed, Consultant appointed and funds to pay for the service being applied for. Final documents on Design Codes which will be sent to everyone on the Council and looking to consider a Traffic Survey conducted by Acom consultants and funded by grant and the Council will have no cost. Neighbourhood plan completed for March 2024 and will be approved at full council meeting.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr RW and Seconded by Cllr E Atkin, all in favour.

ACTION: Full report to be submitted to Cllrs to enable a decision/vote.

FC029 Finance

All following paperwork was sent electronically to all members prior to the meeting and paper copies were given to the Chair to authorise in the presence of members and any public present.

To approve invoices for payment

Payments on the report attached at Appendix 'e' were approved and signed.
Bank Transfers totalling £5,413.77.
Direct Debits totalling £369.16.

Debit Card payments totalling £82.68.
Cheque payments totalling £0.00.
Income received totalling **-£19,833.98.**

Bank Account Balance of £107,5576.19 was approved and Chair authorised

Bank Reconciliation/Budget Variation

Bank Account Balance at 12/09/2023 of £51326.27 Co-op Bank,
£37,161.75 Hampshire Trust Bank and £100.00 Petty Cash float.

Clerk gave all members an up-to-date report on the expenditure, receipts, variances up to and including 12th September which was sent in advance of the meeting.

RESOLVED: Cllr GF states she had checked through the above and agreed with the totals. Proposed by Cllr JM and Seconded by Cllr KR

FC030 Allotments

An application has been submitted for from an allotment holder to erect a vertical axis turbine on his allotment.

Cllr M Richards states that he is looking to do Hydroponics gardening. It was agreed that he should be allowed to place this on his allotment.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr JM and Seconded by Cllr EA, all in favour.

ACTION: The rules/terms need to be amended to allow all allotment holders to make an application (Clare Fox)

FC031 Grant Application

Tuxford Scouting and Guiding Group wish to apply for a Grant from TTC. Query as to whether they are paying their rent?

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr JM, seconded by Cllr GF, all in favour.

ACTION: Grant to be paid and to ensure the rent is paid.

FC032 Bassetlaw Local Plan

1. The Bassetlaw plans input is taken into account, Inspectors question Bassetlaw and they answer, and the updated text reflects the changes and

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that TTC are allowed to comment on. Cllr RW would like support to write and request support for the full 252 units. Noted that Tuxford Academy is oversubscribed and there may be issues around 'Drains'. (item 12)

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr RW, seconded by Cllr MR

2. Write to state an objection to the change of classification, no reason for it on Ashvale and Lodge lane sites.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr RW, seconded by Cllr MH

3. To state that TTC does not support the policy of S106 and was not challenged by the Inspector and not answered by BDC. We cannot allow Bassetlaw full control of the funds.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr RW, seconded by Cllr KR

4. We wish the HS14 to be removed from the Plan

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr RW, seconded by Cllr JM

ACTION: Cllr RW to write in respect of concerns to ensure TTC are involved on all the above points 2 – 4.

FC033 St Nicholas Church

Revd Greg Price is leaving and retiring, and his position ends in March/April 2024. Cllr JM proposes a letter be sent to thank Revd Price for all his work with the community and wish him well in his retirement.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr JM, seconded by Cllr KR

ACTION: Clare Fox to write a letter

FC034 Councillor Conduct

The Chair raised the issue about conduct of Councillors and reminded them of the Code of Conduct and that bullying will not be tolerated. Cllr JM would seek guidance should the behaviour continue. No further action.

All Councillors noted the Chairs comments.

FC034 To receive items for information and future agenda items.

1. To agree Acomb Consultants/Helen re the Neighbourhood Plan costs Cllr RW
2. Review of Standing Orders Cllr PD
3. Report on MOI/TTC Land and Access Cllr SR
4. Benches purchased for Gilbert Avenue, may have another use Cllr EA

5. Cllr RW to write on the Basstlaw Action Plan

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FC035 Private & Confidential (Staffing)

Cllr JM read out the following statement.

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEXT BUSINESS, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS PROPOSED, SECONDED AND “That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw”

Update on Clerk Position.

FC036 Date of next meeting

19th October 2023 at 7.00 pm

With there being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:11 pm

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE..... DATE