

IRTHLINGBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF IRTHLINGBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH JULY 2022 AT 7.30PM AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, FETTLINEDINE ROAD, NN9 5XF

PRESENT: Councillors P Boyer, S Boyer, C Cross, J Farrar, J Gray, E Hopkinson, C Kearns-Gray and R Powell

ALSO PRESENT: 3 Representatives of Streetwise 2 members of the public

The Mayor welcomed everybody to the Meeting of Irthlingborough Town Council and informed members and the public that the meeting was being recorded for minute taking purposes. He informed them that there was an opportunity for fifteen minutes public speaking with each person having an opportunity to speak for a maximum of three minutes. He asked if anyone wished to address the Council.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public addressed the meeting in connection with Agenda Item 50.2 TO RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM A RESIDENT IN PRESLAND WAY REGARDING THE PROPOSED WORKS AND REQUEST FOR REPLACEMENT TREES

The local resident indicated that work on the new development currently under construction to the rear of Green Close had resulted in the removal of a large expanse of hedgerow and trees. Anglian Water were now putting in a sewerage link to the new development on land in Presland Way belonging to Irthlingborough Town Council. To accommodate this some mature trees had been removed which had considerably reduced the privacy of their and the neighbouring properties. He understood Irthlingborough Town Council were to be donated four trees as compensation for those lost and asked the Council to consider planting them in Presland Way.

Councillor J Farrar asked if the Anglian Water contractors had been in touch with them with regard to the work and removal of the trees. The resident confirmed Anglian Water had notified local residents of what work was to be carried out.

Councillor J Farrar thanked the resident for their comments and informed him that the matter would be discussed later in the meeting, He also advised that the Clerk would email them following the meeting to let them know what had been agreed.

The resident left the meeting at 7.38pm.

Mayor:

Date:

A gentleman, representing Streetwise addressed the meeting on Agenda Item 48.6 TO RECEIVE A REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FROM STREETWISE

The gentleman one of the members and founders of the club currently operating on a Wednesday night in the Working Mens Club in Higham Ferrers offering boxing training for children, teenagers and adults.

He indicated whilst they provided boxing training the benefits being taught were not restricted to the physical activity. It was also educating attendees how to be streetwise, respectful, part of the community, disciplined, confident and have a hard working ethic. It was hoped these qualities would help the younger generation to move on to find a career path.

Since the club started there has been a reduction in anti-social behaviour in the local towns including Irthlingborough.

At present the club is run by the trainers, with donations from friends and parents. The club is expanding very quickly and they are purchasing new kit all the time. They are currently being offered the room in the Working Men's Club free of charge but are quickly outgrowing the space available there and will be looking for a bigger premise and perhaps long term a permanent site.

The club caters for people from across the region volunteers take youths from Irthlingborough to the training sessions. Any support Irthlingborough Town Council could give would be much appreciated.

Councillor S Boyer asked if the club had insurance and if they transported the equipment to the sessions. The gentleman responded that yes, the club had public liability insurance and yes, all equipment was transported to the venue.

Councillor C Cross asked what sort of larger premise were they looking for, for example would they consider the Community Centre Hall to be suitable. The gentleman indicated the hall would be an ideal space, although they would need storage facilities.

Councillor J Farrar asked if they thought in the future more youths could be interested. As the word about the club spread, more and more interest was being shown, they had only been open for a short time and had 20 -25 people attending. Long term they would like to set up a club in every town.

The Mayor thanked them for their time and an informative speech. The item would be discussed later in the meeting.

The three representatives of Streetwise left at 7.47pm.

The Mayor advised members that Standing Orders would be suspended for item 49.3i) and that items 49.10, 49.11 and 51.3 would be deferred.

AGENDA

42. APOLOGIES - TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mayor:

Date:

Councillor J Bragg – due to illness
Councillor C Collis-Neale – Family Commitment
Councillor D Maxwell – Attending a Highways meeting at NNC
Councillor T Walton – due to illness

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/121 – that Councillors J Bragg, C Collis-Neale, D Maxwell and T Walton’s apologies be accepted

43. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST AND OTHER INTERESTS AND THE NATURE OF THOSE INTERESTS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Councillor P Boyer – Item 47.3 I) **RECOMMEND** – THAT AN ADVERTISING BLIMP BALLOON SPONSORED BY MARSH INDUSTRIES BE OBTAINED FOR THE TWO SKATEPARK EVENTS. – Co-owner Marsh Industries

Councillor S Boyer –Item 47.3 I) **RECOMMEND** – THAT AN ADVERTISING BLIMP BALLOON SPONSORED BY MARSH INDUSTRIES BE OBTAINED FOR THE TWO SKATEPARK EVENTS. – Co-owner Marsh Industries

Councillor J Gray – Item 48.6 TO RECEIVE A REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FROM STREETWISE – he is involved with the club.

Councillor J Gray – Item 50.3 TO RECEIVE A PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING THE LACK OF ENFORCEMENT OF THE 7.5 TONNE WEIGHT LIMIT AND NOISE POLLUTION ISSUES IN THE HIGH STREET – lives in the High Street

Councillor C Kearns- Gray – item 50.3 TO RECEIVE A PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING THE LACK OF ENFORCEMENT OF THE 7.5 TONNE WEIGHT LIMIT AND NOISE POLLUTION ISSUES IN THE HIGH STREET – lives in the High Street

44. MINUTES

44.1 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FOR SIGNATURE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2022

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/122- that the minutes of the Full Town Council Meeting held on 14th June 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

45. MATTERS ARISING

45.1 TO NOTE ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2022 NOT INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA, FOR REPORT ONLY

Page 30 – Matters arising - Page 14 Item 17 Matters Arising - Page 167 Item 135.3 **RESOLVE ITC/04(22)/481** – that the Council write to Davidson Homes to notify them of the litter problem in the area and request they take action to resolve the problem – Councillor C Cross asked if any response had been received from Davidson Homes. – The Clerk advised this was ongoing.

Mayor:

Date:

Councillor C Cross asked if any response had been received yet.
The Clerk stated she had chased them today (14.06.2022) as no response had been received.
Councillor C Cross enquired as to whether there was any update.

The Clerk indicated she had not received a response and would chase them again.

Page 40 - 38.4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER SUGGESTIONS TOWARDS MEETING THE LOCALLY IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES: BURGLARY, VEHICLE CRIME AND ROAD SAFETY AS PER **RESOLVE ITC/05(22)/73:**

RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/102 – that the Council informs the JAG meeting of the following actions they are taking towards meeting the locally identified priorities: Burglary, vehicle crime and road safety.

1) they are currently investigating the possibility of purchasing 1 or 2 VAS or SID signs to reduce speeding within the town.

2) they are paying to have the High Street zebra crossings repainted

3) they are looking to obtain flyers from the police on crime prevention and Neighbourhood Watch to promote their schemes. –

Councillor C Cross asked if the police had supplied any flyers yet.

The Clerk had not received any material from the police yet, she would chase them at the JAG meeting Scheduled for August.

Page 42 – III) TO CONSIDER THE PLANTING OF 4 SEMI-MATURE TREES AND AGREE THE SPECIES OF TREE AND LOCATION TO BE PLANTED

RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/108 – that the Council accept the offer of 4 semi mature trees as part of the Terms of Offer email from the Land Agent dated 23rd May 2022. It is requested that the following trees are supplied and planted: -

1 - Living Christmas tree – Rest Gardens, High Street

2 - Fruit tree – Rest Gardens, High Street

3 - Fruit Tree – Rest Gardens, High Street

4 - Corpus Tree – corner Victoria Street/High Street.

It was asked if the trees would be planted in autumn.

The Clerk thought they would be supplied in time for autumn planting.

46. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

TO RECEIVE AND NOTE THE ACTIONS TAKEN AGAINST COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS UP TO 5TH JULY 2022

Nothing was raised.

RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/123 – that the Town Clerk's report up to the 5th July 2022 is received and noted.

47. COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES -TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

47.1 THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14TH JUNE 2022 – CLLR D MAXWELL

In Councillor D Maxwell's absence, the Mayor invited any questions

Mayor:

Date:

Nothing was raised.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/124 - that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 14th June 2022 were noted.

47.2 THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28TH JUNE 2022 – CLLR D MAXWELL

In Councillor D Maxwell's absence, the Mayor invited any questions

Nothing was raised.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/125 - that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 28th June 2022 were noted

47.3 THE EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28TH JUNE 2022 – CLLR C CROSS

Councillor C Cross invited any questions

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/126 - that the minutes of the Events Committee meeting held on Tuesday 28th June 2022 were noted

Councillor C Cross brought members attention to a recommend from the meeting and asked them to consider resolving it.

TO RESOLVE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMEND:

I)RECOMMEND – THAT AN ADVERTISING BLIMP BALLOON SPONSORED BY MARSH INDUSTRIES BE OBTAINED FOR THE TWO SKATEPARK EVENTS.

Councillor S Boyer informed members that Marsh Industries intention was to purchase a 3 metre blimp onto which they would have printed a design that included the Irthlingborough Town Council logo and name which they would submit for approval prior to ordering. The blimp could then be used for all future Irthlingborough Town Council events as appropriate.

Marsh Industries would pay for the initial filling with helium with the Town Council paying for the helium for additional usages. He believed the cost of helium to fill a 3 metre blimp was around £200.

The helium could be stored at Marsh Industries prior to use if required.

They would not require Sponsored by Marsh Industries to be printed on the blimp.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/127 - that the Recommendation that an advertising blimp balloon sponsored by Marsh Industries be obtained for the two skatepark events on the 4th August 2022 at the Central Recreation Ground 10am -3pm and the 16th August at the Crow Hill Recreation Ground 10am -3pm and future Irthlingborough Town Council Events is resolved.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/128 – that Irthlingborough Town Council agree to purchase the helium for the 3 metre blimp for any future events Council events it is used for.

Mayor:

Date:

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/129 – that helium purchased to fill the 3 metre blimp is to be stored at Marsh Industries until it is used.

48. FINANCE MATTERS



IRTHLINGBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

Cashbook Payments

June 2022

Bank No.	Supplier	Description	Total
			£
72	Angie Daly	Town Run Safety Pins	6.40
			£
73	Crouch Road Allotment Association	Grant £250	250.00
			£
74	Irthlingborough Old Peoples Wel Ass	Grant £250	250.00
			£
75	Amazon	Town Run - Cable Ties	12.97
			£
76	LOL Theatre	Refund Deposit Invoice 6141	50.00
			£
77	Webb House	Payroll processing	27.11
			£
78	Rialtas	Annual Support invoice	474.00
			£
79	Bob Kirk	CC Cleaning materials	207.22
			£
80	N-Power	Office monthly electricity	438.50
			£
81-96	Staff Wages	Monthly Salaries	9,241.83
			£
87	HMRC	P32 PAYE & NI contributions	3,341.97
			£
88	NCC Pensions Account	Pension Contributions	3,863.27
			£
89	Laugh Out Loud Theatre	Her Majestys Shoes Show	290.00
			£
90	Rural Market Town Group (RMTG)	Annual membership	85.00
			£
91	Arrestapest	Rat treatment at the church	70.00
			£
92	Huddy Maintenance	Lighting church for the platinum jubilee	600.00
			£
93	Bosworths	Flowers	1,154.11

Mayor:

Date:

			£
94	Cllr J Farrar	Quarterly Chairmans Allowance	255.00
			£
95	Clean4Shaw	Cleaning of public toilets	879.60
			£
96	Microshade	Hosting Rialtas & Pear mapping	80.40
			£
97	Beat Route Radio	Queens Jubilee Market	50.00
			£
98	Amazon	Graffiti Remover 500ml	10.99
			£
99	Malcolm Thomas	Remote maintenance of network	150.00
			£
100	Clarendon	Various repairs & Maintenance	1,189.80
			£
101	K Furniss	Refund Deposit Invoice 6032	50.00
			£
102	S Bedford	Refund Deposit Invoice 6158	50.00
			£
DD	Cheaper Waste	Cemetery 660 litre bin	84.00
			£
DD	Cheaper Waste	CC 660 litre bin	84.00
			£
DD	Gamma	Office Telephone Monthly Charges	25.19
			£
DD	Shire Leasing	Photocopier Lease - 2nd Payment	505.80
			£
DD	O2	Office & CC Mobile Phone	71.76
			£
DD	Pozitive Energy	Gas Community Centre - Previous month	146.31
			£
DD	Nat West	Monthly bank charges for previous month	19.40
			£
DD	Nat West	Monthly Bankline Charges	12.40
			£
DD	NW Business Credit	Various - Cleaning products	3.00
			£
		Expenditure	24,030.03
			£
Donations	Budget balance at 30/06/22	N/C 4295	1,977.00

48.1 TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR JUNE 2022

Mayor:

Date:

Item 98 Amazon – Graffiti Remover – Councillor C Cross asked where the graffiti had been and if the spray had successfully removed it.

The Clerk said the graffiti on this occasion had been at Les O'Dell Park but, the spray was used successfully throughout the town wherever it was required.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/130 - to approve the Accounts for payment for June 2022

48.2 TO APPROVE THE BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS UP TO 30TH JUNE 2022

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/ 131- to approve the Bank Account Reconciliations up to 30th June 2022.

48.3 TO APPROVE THE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE UP TO 30TH JUNE 2022

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/132 - to approve the Statements of Income and Expenditure up to 30th June 2022

48.4 TO RECEIVE THE EARMARKED RESERVES FOR 2022/23

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/133 - to approve the Earmarked Reserves for 2022/23

48.5 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE THE INTERNAL CONTROL AUDIT REPORT DATED MAY 2022

The report was tabled at the meeting.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/134 - that the internal Control Audit Report dated May 2022 was accepted.

48.6 TO RECEIVE A REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FROM STREETWISE

It was felt that the Council should make a donation to Streetwise as its opening has benefited the town, the difference in the amount of anti-social behaviour being witnessed on the streets has greatly reduced.

Various suggestions as to an amount the Council should donate to Streetwise were discussed, as were options for reduced charges for the hire of the Community Centre should Streetwise approach the Council in the future and the precedent any arrangement may set.

Councillor C Cross wished to congratulate Councillor J Gray for his work with the Streetwise group and in setting up this initiative.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/135 - that a request for support from Streetwise is received and noted.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/136 – - that the Council make a donation of £1000 to Streetwise.

49. AGENDA ITEMS

49.1 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE POST OFFICE

The Mayor gave an update.

Mayor:

Date:

He informed members that the representative from Post Office Ltd had visited and assessed the proposed temporary site and that it was a viable option. They were now looking into options to install the necessary equipment and meet staffing requirements.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/137 - that the update regarding the Post Office is received and noted.

49.2 IRTHLINGBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

I) TO RECEIVE A VERBAL REPORT OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING HELD ON 28TH JUNE 2022 – CLLR J FARRAR

At the meeting on the 28th June 2022 the Consultant responded to questions submitted at the last meeting in connection with the Scoping Report.

On Friday 8th July 2022 a further meeting was held with the Consultant and officers of NNC focussing on the Local Plan Part II and the Strategic Plan. Four members of the Steering Group attended the meeting and feedback will be taken to the next Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/138- that the verbal report of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting held on 28th June 2022 is received and noted.

The Mayor reminded members Standing Orders were being suspended for the next item.

49.3 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE COMMITTEES:

I) TO AGREE TO AMEND THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE TO ALLOW FOR SEVEN MEMBERS AND ELECT COUNCILLOR P BOYER TO THE COMMITTEE

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/139 - that it is agreed to amend the Terms of Reference of the Planning Committee to allow for seven members.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/140 - that it is agreed to elect Councillor P Boyer to the Planning Committee, in addition to the existing members Cllrs S Boyer, C Collis-Neale, C Cross, E Hopkinson, D Maxwell, T Walton and Mayor Ex Officio.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

II) TO AGREE TO ELECT COUNCILLORS P BOYER AND S BOYER TO THE PROPERTY AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/141 - that it is agreed to elect Councillors P Boyer and S Boyer onto the Property and Services Committee in addition to the existing members Cllrs J Bragg, C Cross, E Hopkinson, R Powell, T Walton and Mayor Ex Officio.

49.4 CAR PARK:

I) TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE TO **RESOLVE ITC/05(22)/46** AND CONSIDER QUOTATIONS TO REPAIR THE STONE WALLING AT THE CAR PARK

Two quotations received

Mayor:

Date:

- A) £360.00
- B) £1560.00

The quotations were discussed.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/142 – that quotation A) at a cost of £360.00 be accepted to repair the stone walling at the town car park.

II) TO CONSIDER THE CONDITION OF THE AREA OF THE CAR PARK OWNED BY NORTH NORTHANTS COUNCIL AND DETERMINE WHETHER NNC WOULD BE PREPARED TO SELL THE AREA TO THE TOWN COUNCIL FOLLOWING REMEDIATION – CLLR R POWELL

Councillor R Powell advised members that North Northants Unitary Council were currently undertaking a review of their assets. On completion of the review, it was understood they were going to determine if they had any assets, they wished to divest the Council of.

North Northants Unitary Council own the section of the town car park that runs parallel to St Peters Way.

The section of car park currently has some potholes in it and is in need of repair and remarking.

He therefore proposed that Irthlingborough Town Council write to North Northants Unitary Council asking them if they would consider carrying out remedial work on the land and whether they would be willing to sell the land to Irthlingborough Town Council.

Councillor J Farrar thought it would be more prudent to ask the North Northants Unitary Council to carry out remedial work prior to indicating Irthlingborough Town Council would be interested in purchasing the land.

Councillor R Powell's concern was that this would delay the process and as the timescale for the review and disposal of assets wasn't known there would be a risk that the land could be sold to a 3rd party.

Councillor S Boyer suggested that Irthlingborough Town Council didn't ask for remedial work to be carried out because he felt if North Northants Council undertook any remedial work prior to a sale the cost of those works would be added to the purchase price of the land. Irthlingborough Town Council might be able to get remedial work carried out cheaper whilst undertaking work on the recently purchased section of the car park in front of the Church.

A vote was taken on Councillor R Powell's initial proposal.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/143 – that Irthlingborough Town Council write to North Northants Unitary Council and ask them to carry out remedial work on the section of the car park owned by them which runs parallel to St Peters Way and to ask them for a price to sell the remediated land to Irthlingborough Town Council.

49.5 TO CONSIDER THE INSTALLATION OF A VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNAGE FOLLOWING THE PRESENTATION FROM KIER WSP AT THE JUNE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor:

Date:

The Clerk reminded members that Mr Barber had at the June meeting indicated he would be able to visit the town to offer advice/guidance.

It was proposed that prior to purchasing and installing a Vehicle Activated Speed signage Mr Barber be invited to visit the Town with the Clerk, the Mayor and the JAG representative to assess suitability of sites around the town and make suggestions as to the type and number of signs that would be most effective.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/144 – that Mr Barber be invited to visit the Town with the Clerk, the Mayor and the JAG representative to assess suitability of sites around the town and make suggestions as to the type and number of signs that would be most effective.

49.6 TO CONSIDER MEMBERS SUGGESTIONS AS PER **RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/104** IN CONNECTION TO THE RIVER NENE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE UNDERTAKEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WILDLIFE TRUST

Councillor T Walton had submitted some suggestions which were tabled at the meeting.

Councillor R Powell highlighted several sections of a Friends of the Earth document titled 20 actions Parish and Town Councils can take on the climate and nature emergency he felt the Council should explore further.

Councillor C Cross also suggested some projects that she felt the Council should make enquiries about.

The Assistant Clerk informed members that the Council was currently sending all cans litter picked from sites around the town to St Peters Church who were part of a scheme which donated money in exchange for cans.

The Assistant Clerk also advised that the 10 saplings obtained through the Woodland Trust scheme a couple of years ago, temporarily planted at the rear of the Council Offices were now ready to be planted out.

The Clerk highlighted that there were a lot of suggestions being made covering a wide range of environmental issues however, none of them were related specifically to the agenda items remit.

It was proposed that an Agenda Item to set up a Working Party to look into environmental projects be put onto the 13th September 2022 meeting Agenda.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/145 - that an Agenda Item to set up a Working Party to look into environmental projects be put onto the 13th September 2022 meeting Agenda.

49.7 TO CONSIDER ASKING THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH WHETHER THEY ARE WILLING TO SELL THE AREA OF THE CAR PARK THAT THEY OWN ONCE REMEDIATED – CLLR R POWELL

Councillor R Powell felt that once this area was cleared it would be an asset to the Town Council and if in the Town Councils ownership would protect the car park from being developed in the future.

Mayor:

Date:

Councillor S Boyer felt that as the Church was not using or maintaining the land and had not used the land for many years they might consider donating it and proposed this option be investigated first.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/146 – that the Council write to the Diocese of Peterborough and ask them whether they are willing to donate/gift the section of overgrown land they own that runs from the newly purchased section of car park to St Peters Way parallel to the footpath between the church and the car park to Irthlingborough Town Council.

49.8 TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF ACHIEVEMENT OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME – FOUNDATION AWARD

Members thanked the Assistant Clerk H Soans for her work and congratulated her on the achievement of securing the Foundation Award for Irthlingborough Town Council.

Assistant Clerk H Soans thanked them and indicated she would now commence work towards obtaining the Quality Award.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/147 – that notification that the achievement of the Local Council Award Scheme -Foundation Award had been received was noted.

49.9 TO RECEIVE QUOTATIONS FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE YEW TREE AT ST PETER’S CHURCH AS PER RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/62

Three quotations had been received one of which was tabled at the meeting.

A) £750

B) £850

C) Tabled: £980

Members asked the Clerk which quotation she felt it would be best to accept due to the delicate situation/close proximity to the Church building.

The Clerk responded that all the quotations came from established qualified tree surgeons and all had carried out work for the Council in the past. However, the firm who had submitted quotation C) had previously carried out work in the Churchyard and were familiar with the Church.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/148 – that quotation C) at the cost of £980 be accepted to carry out the removal of the Yew Tree at St Peter’s Church.

49.10 TO CONSIDER ADVERTISING COUNCILLOR DETAILS IN THE BUS SHELTER NOTICEBOARDS – COUNCILLOR D MAXWELL

In the absence of Councillor D Maxwell this item was deferred.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/149 – that this item be deferred to the September Full Town Council meeting on the 13th September 2022.

Mayor:

Date:

49.11 TO RECEIVE A SUGGESTION REGARDING THE ST PETER'S CHURCH NOTICEBOARD INSTALLED ON THE OUTER WALL OF THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCES – CLLR D MAXWELL

In the absence of Councillor D Maxwell this item was deferred.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/150 – that this item be deferred to the September Full Town Council meeting on the 13th September 2022.

49.12 TO CONSIDER A NEW PLANTING SCHEME FOR THE VICTORIA STREET FLOWER BED AS A WILDLIFE/REFLECTION GARDEN SPONSORED BY THE FLOWER COMPANY OF IRTHLINGBOROUGH

Members felt it would be beneficial if the sponsor could work in conjunction with the Wildlife Trust to draw up a detailed planting scheme and submit a plan to the Council for consideration.

Councillor C Cross suggested the Council could purchase a wildlife bench in keeping with those purchased as part of the High Street Improvement Grant to compliment the area.

The Mayor stated the purchase of a bench did not fall under the remit of the agenda item and proposed an item to discuss the purchase of a bench be put onto the September meeting agenda.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/151 – that the sponsor be asked to work in conjunction with the Wildlife Trust to draw up a detailed planting scheme and submit a plan to the Council.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/152 – that an item to consider the purchase of a wildlife bench to be situated on the open space on the corner of Victoria Street is added to the 13th September 2022 agenda.

50. CORRESPONDENCE & REQUESTS

50.1 TO RECEIVE A RESPONSE FROM THE LAND AGENTS ACTING ON BEHALF OF ANGLIAN WATER REGARDING **RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/108** - that the Council accept the offer of 4 semi mature trees as part of the Terms of Offer email from the Land Agent dated 23rd May 2022. It is requested that the following trees are supplied and planted: -

- 1 - Living Christmas tree – Rest Gardens, High Street
- 2 - Fruit tree – Rest Gardens, High Street
- 3 - Fruit Tree – Ret Gardens, High Street
- 4 - Corpus Tree – corner Victoria Street/High Street.

& RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/109 - that the Council write to the Land Agents and ask that the amount of compensation offered as part of the Terms of Offer email dated 23rd May 2022 be increased from £1,500 to £2 000.

The response was tabled at the meeting.

Anglian Water provided a breakdown of claim for Irthlingborough Town Council. The total of the claim came to £1047 which they advised had generously been rounded up to £1500, therefore they were unable to increase the compensatory offer.

It was confirmed that the replacement trees will be planted within the next appropriate season.

Mayor:

Date:

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/153 – that the response from the Land Agent acting on behalf of Anglian Water regarding **RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/108** and **RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/109** is received and noted.

50.2 TO RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM A RESIDENT IN PRESLAND WAY REGARDING THE PROPOSED WORKS AND REQUEST FOR REPLACEMENT TREES

The resident wished to bring to Councillors attention the terrible mess the developers of the new build up Wellingborough Road are making, and the loss of a very mature tree on the open space in Presland Way as a result of work being undertaken by Anglian Water.

The resident is hoping the contractors will make good the area they are excavating and wanted reassurance that Presland Way will get at least one of the donated trees to compensate for the loss of the mature tree on the site.

Councillors had previously agreed the types of trees and locations at which the 4 donated trees should be planted **RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/108**.

This resolve had since been rescinded. In light of representation from residents on the Presland way estate it was resolved to rescind the previous resolve.

Members agreed 2 of the donated trees should be allocated to the Presland Way open space.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/154 – that **RESOLVE ITC/06(22)/108** be rescinded.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/155 – that the email from a resident of Presland Way regarding the proposed works and a request for replacement trees is received and noted.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/156 – that the Council accept the offer of 4 semi mature trees as part of the Terms of Offer email from the Land Agent dated 23rd May 2022. Replacement trees to be agreed in consultation with Land Agent, Anglian Water, Tree Officer and residents of Presland Way.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/157 – that the Clerk notifies both the resident who emailed the Council and the resident who attended and spoke at the meeting of the Councils decision.

50.3 TO RECEIVE A PETITION FROM RESIDENTS REGARDING THE LACK OF ENFORCEMENT OF THE 7.5 TONNE WEIGHT LIMIT AND NOISE POLLUTION ISSUES IN THE HIGH STREET

Members felt the petition was a very detailed and well put together document.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/158 – that the petition from residents regarding the lack of enforcement of the 7.5 Tonne weight limit and noise pollution issues in the High Street is received and noted.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/159 – that the Council writes to the Police asking them to enforce the 7.5 tonne weight limit on the High Street.

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RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/160 - that the Council writes to the North Northants Highways regarding the residents concerns about the excessive vibration and noise pollution created by HGV's crashing over the speed bumps in the High Street and their request for the speed bumps to be removed to protect the culverts underneath the High Street and alternative restrictive measures to be considered.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/161 - that the Council writes to North Northants Council regarding the adverse impact on the environment caused by noise/air pollution and the damage being caused to houses along the High Street, some of which are listed by the vibration.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/162 – that the Councils JAG representative Councillor J Gray raising the concerns of residents regarding the lack of enforcement of the 7.5 weight limit and noise pollution issues in Irthlingborough High Street at the next JAG meeting.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/163 - that the Council writes to the resident who had submitted the petition regarding the lack of enforcement of the 7.5 Tonne weight limit and noise pollution issues in the High Street to advise them as to what action the Council have taken and to inform them that the towns CCTV is working.

50.4 TO RECEIVE AN OFFER TO PUT ON FREE PUNCH AND JUDY SHOWS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT THE CENTRAL RECREATION GROUND AND CROW HILL RECREATION GROUND

Members appreciated the residents offer and felt the Punch and Judy shows would complement the other activities already planned.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/164 – that the offer to put on free Punch and Judy shows during the school holidays at the Central Recreation Ground and Crow Hill Recreation Ground is received.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/165 – that the Council write to the resident accepting their kind offer to put on free Punch and Judy shows over the school holidays and to provide them with a list of dates and times of other activities planned for the Central Recreation Ground and Crow Hill Recreation Ground over the holiday period.

51. NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNITARY COUNCIL MATTERS

51.1 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS FROM COUNCILLOR'S K HARRISON, D MAXWELL AND R POWELL

Councillor K Harrison was not present – no report had been received.

Councillor D Maxwell was not present – She had submitted a report that was tabled at the meeting.

Councillor R Powell – reported on the current situation regarding three significant planning applications.

Addington Road - 49 houses - application had gone to the Planning Inspectorate on Appeal. Members of the Area Planning Committee had been asked to reconsider their use of the word "significant" in relation to the impact on the conservation area – suggesting they removed it. They were also asked to reconsider their comments on the access to the site from Addington Road.

It was understood the Planning Inspectorate had granted planning permission on appeal.

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Nene View – 7 houses – application was due to be discussed at the next Area Planning Committee Meeting on the 13th July 2022.

Bosworths - Garden Centre – this application is still live. Reports/information are still being sought/collected.

Members were concerned about the regular absence from Council meetings of Councillor Kirk Harrison and the lack of information regarding his work on behalf of the residents of Irthlingborough.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/166 – that Councillor R Powell approaches Unitary Councillor K Harrison to request that if he is unable to attend Council meetings in future, he submits a written report.

51.2 TO RECEIVE THE “LEADERS UPDATE” JUNE NEWSLETTER

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/167 - that the “Leaders Update” dated 24TH June 2022 newsletter is received and noted.

51.3 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM CLLR MAXWELL IN RELATION TO **RESOLVE ITC/04(22)/463** – TO REQUEST THE REPLACEMENT OF MISSING BOLLARDS AND REPAIRS TO DAMAGED BOLLARDS IN THE HIGH STREET

In the absence of Councillor D Maxwell this item was deferred.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/168 – that this item be deferred to the September Full Town Council meeting on the 13th September 2022.

52. POLICE/PUBLIC ORDER MATTERS

52.1 TO RECEIVE THE LATEST CRIME FIGURES FROM WWW.STREETCHECK.CO.UK AND WWW.POLICE.UK.

Due to the late availability of the figures on the streetcheck and Police UK websites, the figures were tabled at the meeting.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/169 - that the crime figures for May 2022 sourced from the Streetcheck and Police.UK websites are received and noted.

52.2 TO RECEIVE THE CRIME AND POLICING UPDATES

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/170 - that the Crime and Policing updates are received and noted.

52.3 TO RECEIVE THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE PFCC JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/171 - that the Northamptonshire PFCC June 2022 Newsletter is received and noted.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 (2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960, BECAUSE OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED, THE PUBLIC AND PRESS LEAVE THE ROOM DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM:

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RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/172 – that the press and public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature to be transacted

53. AGENDA ITEMS

53.1 TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM THE TOWN CLERK TO CARRY FORWARD AN ADDITIONAL 5 DAYS LEAVE FOR 2023/24 AND APPROVE A HOLIDAY REQUEST FOR 4 WEEKS ANNUAL LEAVE TO BE TAKEN FOR A HOLIDAY IN THE AUTUMN OF 2023

The Clerk left the room.

Approx holiday dates: Friday 13th October 23 -- Wednesday 15th November 23

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/173 – that permission be granted for the Clerk to carry forward an additional 5 days leave for 2023/2024 and that approval of a holiday request for 4 weeks annual leave to be taken for a holiday in the autumn of 2023 is agreed.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 (2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960, FOLLOWING THE TRANSACTION OF THE ABOVE BUSINESS THE MEETING IS OPENED TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVE ITC/07(22)/174 – that the meeting is opened as the confidential business has been transacted

The Clerk returned.

Date of the next meeting is 13th September 2022 at 7.30pm at the Community Centre, Fettleline Road, NN9 5XF

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

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