

IRTHLINGBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF IRTHLINGBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 24TH JANUARY 2023 AT 8.27 PM (FOLLOWING PPROPERTY & SERVICES) 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, D Maxwell and T Walton

ALSO PRESENT:

The Mayor welcomed everybody to the Extraordinary 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

Councillor D Maxwell wished to address the meeting as a member of the public.

Mrs Maxwell stated that the Council had implied that due to delays by North Northants Council in processing the Town Councils planning application for the recently purchased area of car park due to staff sickness, the Town Council had been unable to take advantage of an offer from Carnells to tarmac the car park for only the cost of materials.

She felt that the timescale from the Town Council submitting the application until the contractors were due to conclude the work at the Chowns Mill site would not have been long enough to carry out the required archaeological and other pre – tarmacking work, making it impossible for the Town Council to have taken advantage of the opportunity to get the car park area tarmacked at material cost only.

The Mayor thanked Mrs Maxwell. He added that had North Northants Council granted the planning permission earlier, the Town Council, may have been able to arrange completion of the archaeological work and other pre - tarmacking requirements earlier.

AGENDA

104. APOLOGIES - TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mayor:

Date:

No apologies were received.

105. 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

Item 106.1 TO CONSIDER A QUOTATION FOR A FURTHER PROGRAMME OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATION WORKS TO PROGRESS THE NEXT STEPS FOR PROPOSED DRAINAGE AND RESURFACING OF THE CAR PARK – Councillor J Gray friend of the project manager, member of an archaeological group through which he is undertaking some training at the site.

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:

RESOLVE ITC/01(23)/399 – that the press and public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature to be transacted

106. AGENDA ITEMS

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Both a draft archaeology final report and an email from the Ad Hoc Maintenance Contractor was tabled at the meeting. The contents of which was noted.

Councillor J Gray informed the meeting that a roman wall and roman pottery had been found at the lower level of one of the trenches and evidence of the medieval period had been found at a higher level.

The Mayor advised members that it was a legal requirement to undertake the further archaeological works before progressing with the upgrading/surfacing of this recently purchased area of car park.

Councillor C Cross asked if any funding/grants could be accessed towards this project.

The Clerk advised funding/grants were not available for capital projects.

Cllr Hopkinson proposed that the quotation be accepted as all members wished to see the car park tarmacked as per the planning application. All members were in agreement.

RESOLVE ITC/01(23)/400 - that the quotation for a further programme of archaeological excavation and works to progress the next steps for proposed drainage and resurfacing of the car park at a cost of £13098.08 is accepted.

Mayor:

Date:

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/01(23)/401 – that the meeting is opened as the confidential business has been transacted

Date of the next meeting is 14th February 2023 at 7.30pm at the Community Centre, Fettleline Road, NN9 5XF

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.32pm.

Mayor:

Date: