

Minutes of the Caistor Town Council held at 7.00 pm at the Caistor Town Hall on 10 March 2022

Present: Cllr J. Wright (Chair), Cllr S. Davey, Cllr P. Richardson, Cllr J. Bowman, Cllr S. Critten, Cllr S. Gaughan, Cllr R. Lyus, Cllr M. Galligan, Cllr S. Hodson, Cllr J. Hughes, Cllr A. Somerscales,

In Attendance: C. Thomas (Clerk), Cllr O.Bierley (WLDC), Cllr T. Smith (LCC), Members of public present: 4

- 1 <u>Apologies for absence & reasons given Ref: 1062</u> Cllr Mackenzie, Cllr Lawrence (WLDC)
- 2 <u>To receive declarations of interest Ref: 1063</u> Cllr Davey in Item 9b
- 3 <u>Public Session (10 minutes) Ref: 1064</u> No questions raised
- 4 <u>Chairmans Report Ref: 1065</u> Cllr Wright had not attended any civic functions.
- <u>To approve the draft minutes of Town Council meeting held on 10/02/22 Ref: 1066</u> It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record.
 Proposed: Cllr A. Somerscales Seconder: Cllr S. Critten For; 10 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

6 Finance - Ref: 1067

a) To approve the Accounting Statements for period ending 28/02/22 - Ref: 1068

The Clerk had previously circulated the accounting statements for the period ending 28/03/22 It was resolved to approve these as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr J. Bowman Seconder: Cllr A. Somerscales All in favour

b) To approve the Schedule of Payments - Ref: 1069

It was resolved to approve the schedule of payments totalling £4640.68. Proposed: Cllr J. Bowman Seconder: Cllr A. Somerscales All in favour

<u>7</u> <u>Reports from External bodies:- - Ref: 1070</u>

a) Lincolnhsire Police - Ref: 1071

There had been a spate of anti social behaviour in the town over the last 3 weeks with no positive identifications albeit alot of rumours. Increased patrols had been taking place and visits to schools making children aware of consequences including association.

Concern was raised by the Police as too much 'reporting' was done on social media and not to the Police. Without reports direct to the Police resources cannot be provided.

b) West Lindsey District Council. - Ref: 1072

Cllr Bierley had previously circulated a report to councillors.

c) Lincolnshire County Council - Ref: 1073

Cllr Smith had updated councillors prior to the meeting on matters raised previously.

He confirmed work continued along Navigation Lane / Hersey Road repairing pot holes.

Hersey Road parking restrictions were currently under consultation and there was a proposal to reduce the speed limit along North Kelsey Road to 30 mph.

A works order was in place for work to repair the pavement on Horsemarket.

Enquiries would be made regarding the metal fencing along A46/Nettleton Road.

d) Caistor Cares - Ref: 1074

The coffee mornings continue at the Town Hall on Friday mornings but are likely to move in April.



e) Caistor Goes - Ref: 1075

Plans are in hand for events to include the Classic Car Show on Sat 1st May 2022 and Afternoon Tea on Sun 5th June 2022 in connection with the Queens Jubilee celebrations.

8 Reports from Committee's - Ref: 1076

a) Finance Committee - Ref: 1077

The Clerk confirmed that a new agreement for waste collection had been agreed with West Lindsey District Council. The weekly contribution would increase from £27 per week to £44.07 effective 1st April. It was resolved to approve the new agreement.

Proposer: Cllr S. Critten Seconder: Cllr J. Wright All in favour

It was resolved to hold payment of CCTV charges until outstanding matters had been resolved. Proposer: Cllr J. Bowman Seconder: Cllr M. Galligan All in favour

b) Employment & Personnel Committee - Ref: 1078

Cllr Davey confirmed the summer handyman schedule had been agreed to be effective 1st April. Sweeping of the ramp between the Town Hall and Co-Op would be included as would placing signage in the Market Place on Fridays.

Pricing for cutting of the cemetery would be obtained from the new grass contractor.

It was agreed to trial mulching the grass at the Churchyard instead of collection.

c) Market Committee - Ref: 1079

Cllr Bowman advised that it had been relatively quiet of late but the market was becoming busier.

d) Economic Development Committee - Ref: 1080

Cllr Critten confirmed that alternative funding had been sought to make up the shortfall on 2-4 Market Place and a decision was hopeful during March.

e) Town Hall Management Committee - Ref: 1081

Management committee had met and reports would be circulated.

<u>9</u> <u>Clerks Report & Parish Matters - Ref: 1082</u>

a) Co-option to two vacancies - Ref: 1083

It was resolved to co-opt Mr Jonathan Cox to the Council Proposer: Cllr P. Richardson Seconder: Cllr S. Davey All in favour

It was resolved to co-opt Mr Paul Haslam to the Council Proposer: Cllr J.Wright Seconder: Cllr S. Davey All in favour

b) CS&SC Kitchen - Ref: 1084

It was resolved to provide a grant to Caistor Sports & Social Club of £12870 towards kitchen replacement. This may be reduced subject to external fund raising by CS&SC. proposer: Cllr S. Critten Seconder: Cllr J. Wright For: 10 Against: 0 Abstain: 1

c) Committee Meetings - Ref: 1085

It was resolved to schedule the 3rd Thursday of every month for committee meetings. Finance committee: Jan / Mar / May / Jul / Sep / Nov Economic Development followed by Market Committee: Feb / Jun / Oct Employment and Personnel: Apr / Aug / Dec Committee meetings would be held at The Arts & Heritage Centre. Meetings would not take place if their was no business to discuss.

d) Christmas Lights - Ref: 1086

It was agreed to form a working party of Cllrs Galligan, Wright, Somerscales, Davey, Hodson and Haslam to discuss and recommend christmas lights.



e) Policy Review:-Data Protection Policy, Dignity at Work Policy, GDPR Privacy Policy, Scheme of Delegation Policy, Social Media Policy

<u>- Ref: 1087</u> It was resolved to adopt all policies. Proposed: Cllr J. Wright Seconder: Cllr R. Lyus All in favour

f) New councillor Code of Conduct - Ref: 1088

It was resolved to adopt the new Code of Conduct Proposed: Cllr S. Critten Seconder: Cllr J. Bowman All in favour

g) Review Tracking Report - Ref: 1089

15568 - CCTV at Sports Ground

The cost to take over from WLDC was awaited before matters could be advanced.

15627 - Welcome Back Fund

The funding was now complete.

16482 - Highway Service

Painting of the play areas was planned for 9-13 May It was resolved to purchase mulch and wet pour to repair the play area surface up to a maximum of £150. Proposer: Cllr J. Bowman Seconder: Cllr S. Critten All in favour

18761 - Cricket Club Lease & Ground Problems

Following a discussion it was suggested to have a meeting with cricket club representatives to discuss the lease, ground maintenance and chafer bug issues.

10 Correspondence Received - Ref: 1090

a) ES - Damage to property from Church tree - Ref: 1091

The Clerk had inspected the area and found no fallen branches. Several large twigs had fell which resulted in damage to two tiles. The homeowner had been advised to claim through their household insurance.

b) Law Together - Injury claim on play area (June 2021) - Ref: 1092

An injury claim had been received although the Council had no knowledge of any injury. The Clerk had been in correspondence with the claimants solicitor.

<u>11</u> Date of next meeting 14th April 2022 - Ref: 1093 All items for the agenda by 7th April 2022.

Meeting closed at 8.20 pm