



# North Hykeham Town Council

Minutes of the Town Council meeting 07/20  
held remotely on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7pm

**Councillors Present:** C R Jackling (Chairman), J Bishop, N Blanchard, C Briggs, J Charters, Mrs J Charters, G Edwards, Dr F Janan, F W Lee, R Little, A Mason, S Roe, K Sampson, N Tully, J Wilson

**In Attendance:** Cllr M Thompson (LCC), Marc Jones (Lincs Police & Crime Commissioner), Mrs M Parker (Town Clerk)

**1. Apologies for absence and acceptance of reasons given.**

Apologies received from Cllr Sellars. Apologies also received from Cllr Whittaker (NKDC).

**Proposal:** To accept all apologies for absence and the reasons given.

**Proposer:** Cllr **Seconder:** Cllr

**Resolution:** Agreed by Unanimous vote

**2. Presentation by Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner, Marc Jones – 20 min presentation and 15 min Q&A session**

The Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), Marc Jones, made a 20-minute presentation regarding the role of the PCC and some of the major achievements to date. Following the presentation, the PCC took questions which had been previously submitted to the Clerk and also from Members present at the meeting.

Marc Jones left the meeting at 7.50pm

**3. Receipt of any Declaration of Members' Interest under the Localism Act 2011**

Any Declarations to be made under individual agenda items. Cllr Roe asked for late apologies for absence to be noted from Cllr Dillon (NKDC).

**4. Notes of the Town Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020 be approved as a true record of Minutes**

**Proposal:** To accept the Notes of the Town Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020 as a true record.

**Proposer:** Cllr Roe **Seconder:** Cllr Briggs

**Resolution:** Agreed by unanimous vote of those who had been present at that meeting.

**5. Chairman's Items**

Cllr Jackling informed members that work to resurface the bridleway Mill Lane to Grandfield Way was almost completed.

**6. County and District Councillor's Reports**

Cllr Thompson (LCC) reported the following:

- LCC Highways continue to operate with almost daily changes in priorities from road repairs to gritting and now dealing with heavy rainfall and flooding.
- LCC Green Master Plan: LCC Executive is due to consider a Green Master Plan at the next meeting.

- Covid-19 continues at a high level although positive tests in NK are showing a slight fall. Following the guidance and the law to prevent spread remains essential. Vaccine rollout to priority groups continues.
- On Thursday 20th January Health Watch Lincolnshire hosted a webinar updating county Covid-19 vaccine rollout; a recording of which is available via the HW Lincs website or Facebook. The main message was that residents should not make enquiries about when or where the vaccine will be available for them. Invitations for bookings will be sent out following priority groupings.
- EMAS has circulated an invitation for residents who may wish to influence services.

Cllr Roe, in his capacity as a LCC Councillor, reported that the Highways Scrutiny committee had received a report from the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. He gave some details from the report, including that the 50<sup>th</sup> Community Speed Watch volunteer group had now become active in monitoring speeds in their parish in September 2020.

Cllr Little, in his capacity as a NKDC Councillor, reported NKDC were still formulating their budgets for 2021/2022 but as NKDC was not in a position to give an indication of the NKDC Council Tax for the coming year.

## 7. Correspondence and Clerk's Items

The Clerk presented the following correspondence: -

Item	Content	Comments
Local Government Boundary Commission report	New Electoral Arrangements for NKDC Final Recommendations January 2021	Noted

The Clerk reported the following updates on Actions from the previous meeting: -

Meeting Ref	Action	Allocated to	Comments
05/20 -11	Defer agenda item regarding Strategic Planning sub-committee to January meeting of Town Council	The Clerk	Agenda item for January 2021 meeting
06/20 - 6	Write to the Lincs PCC to invite him to attend a Town Council meeting	The Clerk	PCC in attendance at January 2021 meeting
06/20 - 6	NKDC Cycling Survey to be completed	Community Committee	Completed January 2021
06/20 - 6	Join the Census 2021 webinar on behalf of the Town Council	Cllr Wilson	Cllr Wilson's notes from the webinar have been circulated to all members.
06/20 6	School Admissions consultation response	Community Committee	Completed January 2021

The Clerk advised that the Councillor vacancy for Meadow Ward had been readvertised, with closing date for applications set as 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021. This would allow for co-option to take place at the February meeting of the Town Council.

Cllr Thompson (LCC) left the meeting at the close of this agenda item (8.05pm).

## 8. Strategic Planning Sub-committee report

Cllr Charters reported from the latest Strategic Planning sub-committee meeting, and listed various actions that the sub-committee wished to progress: -

- investigate the costs and possibility of taking ownership of Millennium Lake
- completing designs for the extension of the Community Hub and obtain planning permissions
- engaging with a consultancy firm to prepare an overview of the town and identify prospective developments of facilities and services
- clarification on the S106 agreement for land at the side of Persimmons home development along Station Road
- confirm that membership of the sub-committee could be extended to include non-Council members
- engage with residents and businesses with a questionnaire to identify community interest and ideas for the town development
- register an interest in the Community Asset that is currently the LCC owned Youth Centre

Members discussed the suggestions and agreed that the plans for developing the Community Hub was a priority. It was suggested that this should be deliberated by all interested members of the Council at either a special meeting of Councillors or a sub-committee meeting in the first instance.

During this agenda item Cllr Faraz left the meeting at 8.22pm and re-joined at 8.27pm.

## 9. Consideration as to whether the Strategic Planning sub-committee should become a statutory committee of the Town Council

Cllr Roe suggested that the sub-committee could operate with less restrictions on access to its meetings should it remain as a sub-committee than if it were to become a Statutory committee, concluding that any decisions from the sub-committee would still be brought back to the Town Council for ratification.

**Proposal:** The Strategic Planning Sub-committee to remain as a sub-committee of the Town Council.

**Proposer:** Cllr Roe      **Seconder:** Cllr Charters

**Resolution:** Agreed by Majority vote.

## 10. Review the frequency of all committee and Town Council meetings and consider a proposed meeting schedule for the Council year 2021/2022

Members considered a draft meeting schedule for the Council year 2021/2022 and discussed whether the frequency was sufficient to allow the Council to conduct its business effectively.

**Proposal:** To accept the draft meeting schedule for the Council year 2021/2022.

**Proposer:** Cllr Roe      **Seconder:** Cllr Charters

**Resolution:** Agreed by Majority vote.

## 11. To resolve whether the Council will move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972 for the following confidential Items

**Proposal:** To move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972 to discuss the confidential Items listed on the agenda.

**Proposer:** Cllr Roe      **Seconder:** Cllr Jackling

**Resolution:** Agreed by Unanimous vote.

Actions from this meeting: There were no actions from this meeting

<b>Item No:</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Allocated to</b>	<b>Date to be Completed by</b>
	None.		

The meeting moved into Closed Session at 8.45pm.