

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM, CIVIC OFFICES ON
TUESDAY 14th January 2020 AT 7:00PM

Present:

Chairman: Councillor Barker-Milan

Councillors: Dillon, Lee, Lovett, Rogers.

Non-Council member: Mr M Reynolds.

In Attendance: Clerk to the Committee: W Skelton

The meeting opened at 7.00pm

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE OF REASONS GIVEN

AGREED **Proposed by: Councillor Lee Seconded by: Councillor Lovett**
To accept reasons for absence received from: Cllrs Jackling,
Killingsworth and Edwards.

Vote: Unanimous

2. RECEIPT OF ANY DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

There were no Declarations of Members' Interests.

3. NOTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12th November 2019 BE APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD OF MINUTES

AGREED **Proposed by: Councillor Dillon Seconded by Councillor Lovett**
Subject to a minor amendment. The minutes dated 12th November be
approved as a true record of minutes

Vote: Unanimous

4. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

The Chairman requested an update on the speed camera issue approved by the Committee at the last meeting as it had been approved by the Finance and Policy Committee.

The Clerk was unable to update at the present as the matter had now passed to Town Clerk.

Committee members suggested locations for the plates for the static speed camera, being:

Moor Lane

Meadow Lane

Mill Lane

Station Road.

5. CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS ITEMS

Correspondence:

A letter from Old School Rhythm Machine thanking the Council for the recent grant, and asking when the Committee would like the three performances to be held.

Clerks items:

The Clerk had no items to bring to the meeting.

6. COMMITTEE INCOME & EXPENDITURE UPDATE

Copies of the income and expenditure to date were distributed to members.

Committee members requested that the remainder of the Christmas lighting budget be spent on lights for the Village Green. An inventory of all the Christmas Decorations was requested to show where the expenditure was needed.

7. CHRISTMAS PARTY IN THE PARK REPORT

- The event, given the timescale for organising it, was small but good.
- There was a slight problem with the arrival of the toilets, which eventually made an appearance.
- Vehicles getting stuck as the ground was soft meant that the layout of the event had to be changed slightly. A resident parking across the vehicular entrance to the park caused minor problems at the end of the day but stall holders helped each other and everyone got home.
- The squares raffle killed the ambiance; this will probably work better as a tombola type, so prizes are collected immediately. With, may be, a separate one for Children so there are no problems with alcohol.
- 'Platform 2' was a good group and really set the feeling for the day.

Comments from the event

- Councillors should be available in the Town Council tent along with leaflets.
- Many requests for starting earlier/later and finishing earlier/later – mainly depending upon age.
- There were also requests for shorter/longer duration times.
- Complaints about the toilets especially the disabled one.
- Suggestions were made that due to the high number of dogs visiting Santa, dog treats should be available to give to them.

Over all Councillors agreed that it formed a good base to start building a larger event.

The chairman gave her thanks to Mr. Reynolds for his help with the organisation and on the day.

8. NEXT YEAR'S EVENT PROGRAMME AND REQUIREMENTS.

A) Summer Events 2020

Proposed by: Mr Reynolds Seconded by: Councillor Dillon

AGREED To hold 4 events on the second Sunday of June, July, August and September, all events to start at 2pm with the June & July events finishing at 5pm and the August & September events to finish at 6pm. To have the Council gazebo as a separate stage to allow for 3 bands to perform at each event at an estimated cost of £2,900 for the bands.

Vote: Unanimous

B) Christmas Event and Carol Service.

Proposed by: Councillor Barker-Milan Seconded by: Councillor Lovett

AGREED To hold the Christmas event on 13th December 2020. To explore having an Ice Skating Rink. To ask for a vire on the remainder of the Events budget, approximately £4,000, and earmarked for the Christmas Event 2020. To have the Carol Service on another date.

Vote: Unanimous

9. GRANT APPLICATIONS

a) **LIVES** – Applied for a Grant of £1,500 to help fund their work as First Responders and First Aiders at events.

Proposed by: Councillor Dillon Seconded by: Councillor Lee

AGREED To give a grant of £1,500 to LIVES

Vote: Unanimous

10. COUNCILLORS CLINICS

a) January Clinic

To be held on 25th January 2020, with Councillor Martin Hill from Lincolnshire County Council, Councillor Richard Wright from North Kesteven District Council, Councillor Jim Charters from North Hykeham Town Council and Councillor Pamela Whittaker from South Hykeham Town Council to talk about Precepts. Leaflets to be distributed to residents.

b) Dates for 2020

Proposed by: Councillor Lovett Seconded by: Councillor Rogers

AGREED To evaluate 2019 clinics before deciding on dates for 2020.

Vote: Unanimous

11. EMERGENCY PLAN

Training sessions are available from LALC for Councillors wishing to go on one. Volunteers to help implement the plan will be needed and hopefully recruited during Councillor Clinics or events during the summer.

12. HYKEHAM IN BLOOM UPDATE

Planters all doing pretty well for the time of year but we did have a vandalism issue at the crossroads just before Christmas, luckily the plants were strewn on the paving slabs and most were replanted and there have been no further issues.

Bulbs have been planted around the 'Welcome to North Hykeham' signs and along the railings at Bakewell Mews.

Hykeham in Bloom had a full page spread in the December Hykeham Gazette free of charge. Many thanks to Tucann Publications.

A letter of thanks to go to current sponsors and a copy of the 2019 Silver Certificate.

Bakewell Mews Storyboard is still on going.

AGREED **Proposed by:** Councillor Barker-Milan **Seconded by:** Councillor Dillon
To install metal plate to railings at Bakewell Mews and put a North Hykeham Town Council vinyl on until the storyboard is ready and then replace with the new vinyl at a cost of £100 excluding VAT.

Voted: Unanimous

Quotes for Bat/Bird boxes are being sort, only one has been received so far and is £276 excluding VAT. Further quotes are being sort.

AGREED **Proposed by:** Councillor Barker-Milan **Seconded by:** Councillor Dillon
To purchase Bat and Bird boxes up to the value of £300 excluding VAT.

Vote: Unanimous

The Old Orchard wild flower planting is scheduled for March. It was decided not to purchase seat pods due to the spate of vandalism in the area at the moment. This could be revisited at a later date.

Tree Saplings are still available free of charge from the Woodland Trust are they still required. A tour of sites around the town showed that planting of saplings was not feasible at a number of sites. Councillor Lovett agreed to take this matter further.

It was requested that the Community Committee resubmit a document on Sponsorship of planter's charges to the Business Sub Committee so that the document could be explained properly.

13. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION OF THE NEXT AGENDA

Action	By Whom	By When	Completed
Sapling trees	Cllr Lovett	Next meeting	
Events Programme		Next meeting	
Grants		Next meeting	
Hykeham In Bloom	Mr. Reynolds	Next meeting	
Emergency Plan	Assistant Clerk	Next meeting	
Councillors Clinics			

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm

