



# North Hykeham Town Council

Minutes of the Community Committee meeting 01/23  
held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7pm

**Councillors Present:** Cllr G Edwards (Chair), Cllr M Bennie (Vice Chair), Cllr YS Sampson, Cllr FW Lee, Cllr R Johnston, Cllr N Dillon, Cllr N Blanchard, Cllr M Lofts, Cllr T Ogden, Cllr K Sampson

**In Attendance:** Non-councillor Committee Members: Mr M Watts, Mr M Dempsey, Mr D Hardy  
Miss J Humphrey – Assistant Clerk  
Mrs M Parker – Town Clerk  
Cllr C Briggs – Community Speed Watch

## **01-23.1 To elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the Community Committee**

The Clerk started the meeting by welcoming the members and asking for any recommendations for the Chair of the committee.

Cllr G Edwards was proposed and it was **RESOLVED** that he would take the Chair position for the new council year.

Cllr G Edwards then took over the meeting and asked for any recommendations for the Vice Chair.

Cllr M Bennie was proposed and it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr M Bennie becomes the Vice Chair for this council year.

## **01-23.2 Apologies for absence and acceptance of reasons given**

The apologies for Cllr A Cruickshanks were accepted. Apologies were then given for Mr M Biddulph and Mr M Reynolds and these were noted.

## **01-23.3 Receipt of any Declaration of Members' Interest under the Localism Act 2011**

The Chair advised that declarations could be made as and when they arose.

## **01-23.4 Notes of the Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to be approved as minutes**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the notes of the Community Committee meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 as a true record of Minutes.

## **01.23.5 Receive a report from the Community Speed Watch team and consideration of requests from the team – Cllr C Briggs**

Cllr Briggs spoke about the report that had been received from Mr I Bradburn (CSW Co-Ordinator) in his absence. He advised that the Community Speed Watch (CSW) has 9 fully trained volunteers and several approved sites around the town. There had been several sessions and no speeding had been recorded. Part of the report asked for councillors to consider writing to Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership in regards to extra locations around the town and to advertise how to become a CSW volunteer in the Gazette and online. Mr D Hardy also said that he will send out information to all parents of his school regarding this.

*Cllr C Briggs left 7:10*

**01.23.6 Receive the Community Committee's latest Income & Expenditure report**  
Noted.

**01.23.7 Consider correspondence from a resident asking for support of his request to LCC for a cycle path from Moor Lane to NK1 Sports Centre**

After some discussing about this, it was **RESOLVED** that the clerk formally write to Cllr Roe about this matter as a County Councillor.

**01-23.8 Chair's Items**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the committee and spoke about his expectations for this year's meetings. He politely reminded people about not chatting in small groups around the table and how this wouldn't be tolerated throughout the meetings.

**01-23.9 Correspondence and Clerk's items.**

The Clerk spoke about the review of the Hykeham Neighbourhood Plan and how it would be an item on the next Town Council agenda. The Clerk informed on the collaboration with South Hykeham and how this would be resident/community led. Information was also given about the ratification of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and how due to this the Neighbourhood plan needed to be reviewed.

**01-23.10 Consideration of any applications to become a non-councillor on the Community Committee**  
*7:18pm - Cllr N Dillon declared a personal interest and left the room.*

After a short discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the clerk invite Miss Dillon Crosby to the next community meeting to discuss her application further with members.

*7:28pm – Cllr N Dillon returned to the room.*

**01-23-11 Review of the new Community Engagement policy (review directed by Town Council)**

The Chair informed the committee that Finance and Policy had seen the Community Engagement Policy and it now due for review.

It was **RESOLVED** that the committee would form a working group of 4 (Cllrs Dillon, Lee, Bennie and Edwards) to work on the policy for the next committee meeting.

**01-23.12 Receive a report from Hykeham in Bloom**

Noted.

**01-23.13 Request from North Hykeham Twinning Association for the Town Council to host a Welcome event for the associations' visitors from Germany (1st Sept 2023)**

*7 :32pm - Cllr R Johnston, Cllr M Bennie, Cllr FW Lee, Mr M Watts and Mr D Hardy declared other registerable interest to this item.*

The committee gave Cllr R Johnston, in his capacity as Chair of the Twinning Association, dispensation to speak about the Welcome event so that other members could understand the request.

After a long discussion the committee **RESOLVED** that a working group would be created and a plan be brought to the next Community meeting.

Working Group – Cllr Dillon, Johnston, Lee, Bennie and Mr D Hardy.

**01-23.14 2023 Event Planning – Summer Sundays (9th Jul, 13th Aug, 10th Sept) and Christmas Fayre (18th Nov)**

*Cllr R Johnston left 8:02pm*

*Cllr R Johnston returned 8:04pm*

The clerk spoke about the events and what had already been booked and arranged for the 3 Summer Sunday events and Christmas.

During this item the clerk spoke about the decision made in the committee’s September 2022 meeting regarding the number of stalls and sideshows for the Summer Sunday events. Concern was expressed about previous attendance and how only 1 food vender had been booked at this time.

The committee **RESOLVED** that the clerk would get some more vendors for the events.

**01-23.15 Request from Cllr Lee that the Community Committee considers whether to operate car boot sales at Witham Fields in 2023 – Cllr FW Lee**

Cllr FW Lee spoke about the Council holding car boots on the field throughout last year. He spoke about how this is something that brought the community together and he would like them to continue throughout 2023. Cllr K Sampson spoke about how he had done these events for his charity in the capacity of Mayor last year but had spoken to the Clerk about the continuation of these events. Cllr K Sampson confirmed he had been in contact with the North Hykeham Scouts regarding them hosting car boots on Witham Fields.

After this discussion it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr K Sampson would speak to the Scouts about formally organising a car boot sale.

**01-23.16 Consideration of plans for the 2024 Annual Town Meeting**

After a small discussion about previous Annual Town meetings the committee **RESOLVED** that a working group be created to start work on the prep for the ATM.

Working group – Cllrs Bennie, Dillon, Lee, Johnston, Edwards and Non-Councillor members Dempsey and Watts.

Actions from this meeting:

Item No:	Action	Allocated to	Date to be Completed by
01.23-5	Advertise the CSW in the Gazette and FB.	Assistant Clerk	ASAP
01.23-7	Formally write to Cllr Roe regarding cycle path	Assistant Clerk	ASAP
01.23-10	Invite Miss Dillon Crosby to the next Committee meeting	Assistant Clerk	05.07.23
01.23-11	Working Group to form and start preparation for next meeting	Cllrs Dillon, Lee, Bennie and Edwards	Next meeting
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01.23-14	Contact more food vendors for the Summer Sundays	Assistant Clerk	ASAP

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The meeting closed at 8.24pm.