

## **BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting  
Held on Monday 1 June 2015

In the Council Chamber, The Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Cllr. R Silvester, Cllr. P Ridgwell, Cllr. T Simmons, Cllr. G Hughes,  
Cllr. P MacLoughlin, Cllr. D Bimson, Cllr. E Jacobs, Cllr. N Vant.

**Also present:** Mrs C Mason (Town Clerk), Mrs B Harding (Assistant to the Town Clerk), a police representative, and eight members of the public.

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Cllr. K Butcher, Squadron Leader J Neilds.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** and additions to Members Register of Interests.  
None.

### **3. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES**

Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 13 April 2015.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/08/01/Jun/15**

Proposed by Cllr. G Hughes and seconded by Cllr. T Simmons.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF  
MONDAY 13 APRIL 2015 BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE RECORD.

### **TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES**

Of the Brandon Town Council Annual General Meeting of Monday 18 May 2015.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/09/01/Jun/15**

Proposed by Cllr. G Hughes and seconded by Cllr. R Silvester.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING OF MONDAY 18 MAY 2015 BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE RECORD.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING** for information exchange only of

Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 13 April 2015 and the Brandon Town Council  
Annual General Meeting of Monday 18 May 2015.

A question was raised relating to the proposed replacement bench on Thetford Road. Prices are  
presently being sourced.

### **5. PUBLIC FORUM**

Questions from members of the public included the overhanging branches in Victoria Avenue; the  
unkempt play area in Yew Drive (DB to action); too low blue cycle signs in George Street (RS to  
action); missing litter bins in Brandon (FHDC to be contacted).

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**6. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE POLICE/RAF LAKENHEATH**

The Brandon crime figures were circulated at the meeting. For the month of May 2015 there were 24 crimes recorded. This compares to 34 crimes for the preceding month April 2015 and 38 for May 2014. Questions raised included the night time economy; a recent tractor breakdown in the High Street.

With little to report other than for two weeks the runway at RAF Lakenheath will be closed for essential maintenance, **Squadron Leader J Neilds** invited questions. These included the increase of freight aircraft out of Mildenhall; the noise level comparison between the F35 and the F15; the prospect of television reception being disrupted by aircraft.

**7. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

**Cllr. R Silvester's (SCC)** report included the works to the drain on Thetford Road (now completed); work to the drain issues at Sweden Place to be commenced shortly; given the lack of incidents at both the cycle path and the one way system at George Street, no further action will be taken by Suffolk County Council; the ruts by Summerpit Farm, Elveden have been filled with top soil; two dropped kerbs at The Paddocks/ Green Road are to be created. At present no date given. Cllr. D Bimson asked that a missing drain cover in Rattlers Road be reported to Highways. Cllr. G Hughes reminded members that the Parish Forum is due to take place on Wednesday 3 June at the Brandon Country Park.

**8. URGENT BUSINESS**

Resolution Record No. **BTC/10/01/June/15**

Proposed by Cllr. N Vant and seconded by Cllr. R Silvester.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL REPLACES THE FIRE DAMAGED PICNIC BENCH IN THE ORCHARD, COULSON LANE, BRANDON.

**9. CO-OPTION**

The five candidates were present at the meeting.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/11/01/June/15**

Proposed by Cllr. D Bimson and seconded by Cllr. G Hughes.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT ALL DIALOGUE RELATING TO THE CANDIDATES BE DISCUSSED IN THE CONFIDENTIAL SECTION OF THE AGENDA.

**10. ACCOUNTS**

10.1 Resolution Record No. **BTC/11/01/June/15**

Proposed by Cllr. Reg Silvester and seconded by Cllr. N Vant.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2015 BE APPROVED.

| Date   | Amount | Supplier          | Chq No | Net    | Vat   |
|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| May-15 | 17.00  | LCR               | 104827 | 17.00  |       |
| May-15 | 140.11 | Finevale Services | 104828 | 116.77 | 23.34 |
| May-15 | 8.34   | Cooleraid         | 104829 | 6.95   | 1.39  |
| May-15 | 407.59 | Arco Limited      | 104836 | 339.66 | 67.93 |

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| May-15 | 40.56  | Fengate Fasteners | 104830 | 33.80  | 6.76   |
| May-15 | 62.27  | Thetford Gd Ctre  | 104831 | 51.89  | 10.38  |
| May-15 | 48.00  | Graham Smith      | 104832 | 40.00  | 8.00   |
| May-15 | 618.00 | RBS               | 104833 | 515.00 | 103.00 |
| May-15 | 750.00 | P Brighton        | 104834 | 750.00 |        |
| May-15 | 89.30  | Tindalls          | 104835 | 74.42  | 14.88  |

10.2 Income and expenditure against budget approved.

### 11. ANNUAL RETURN / AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2015

Resolution Record No. **BTC/12/01/Jun/15**

Proposed by Cllr. G Hughes and seconded by Cllr. T Simmons.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE ANNUAL RETURN/AUDIT REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2015.

### 12. FLINT MURALS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/13/01/Jun/15**

Proposed by Cllr. P Ridgwell and seconded by Cllr. N Vant.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL SENDS A LETTER OF SUPPORT IN RESPECT OF THE REMOVAL OF THE FLINT MURALS CURRENTLY LOCATED IN THE OLD COMMUNITY CENTRE.

### 13. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/14/01/Jun/15**

Proposed by Cllr. R Silvester and seconded by Cllr. G Hughes.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

*That pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the Meeting temporarily due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed concerning QUOTES: LAND: STAFF: CONTRACT.*

With no further business the meeting closed at 8.16pm.

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