Note: In the case of non-members, this Agenda is for information only

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon, Suffolk, IP27 0AA Telephone 01842 811844

8th June 2021

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE FULL COUNCIL.

You are hereby summoned to join the FULL BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING to be held at the Whyrch Institute, London Road, Brandon on Monday 14th June 2021 at 1900hrs

Graham Cock Town Clerk

Members requiring further information, or with specific questions are asked to raise these with the Clerk at least 2 working days before the meeting. If the information requested is available, this will be provided and reported to the Council

AGENDA

- 1 APOLOGIES for absence and approval of reasons tendered.
- 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST and additions to Members Register of Interest.
- 3 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM SQN LDR TURNBULL RAF LAKENHEATH
- 4 TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM MINUTES
 - Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Wednesday 5th May 2021.
- 5 MATTERS ARISING for information exchange only of the Full Council Meeting of 8th March 2021.
- 6 URGENT BUSINESS any items the Chairman considers a matter of urgent business.
- 7 TO RECEIVE REPORTS from County, District and Town Councillors and Community Groups Representatives.
- **8 TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORT** from the Town Clerk.
- 9 PUBLIC FORUM Monthly event limited to 3 minutes duration maximum per resident.
- 10 CORRESPONDENCE
 - West Suffolk Council Brandon Industrial Area

- 11 ACCOUNTS To approve the payments for May 2021 (see attached).
- 12 TO RECEIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT AGAINST BUDGET FOR APRIL 2021
- 13 TO REVIEW THE TERMS OF REFERENCE for the Planning Committee.
- 14 TO NOTE MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE of 7th June 2021.
- 15 TO NOTE MINUTES OF NEW CEMETERY WORKING PARTY GROUP of 19th May 2021.
- 16 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S AND/OR STAFF SUBSCRIPTIONS TO OTHER BODIES
- 17 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 2018
- 18 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S POLICY FOR DEALING WITH THE PRESS/MEDIA
- 19 TO CONFIRM THE LEAD PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING in the Town Council.
- 20 TO NOTE Cllr D Palmer is to join the West Ward Lighting Working Party and the Christmas & Events Working Party.
- 21 RESOLUTION from Cllr P Etherington No. 385

Brandon Town Council resolves to form a small working party of 3/4 persons to consider the website.

22 RESOLUTION from Cllr V Lukaniuk No. 386

Brandon Town Council resolves to seek planning permission from West Suffolk Council to park vehicles at The Lode to assist shop keepers as per a previous motion (BTC/85/9/Mar/20).

23 RESOLUTION from Cllr V Lukaniuk No. 387

Brandon Town Council resolves to grant permission to the language school the use of the council chamber Saturdays only, 10am to 3pm with an additional charge to the school.

24 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

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.

- 25 TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES
 - Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Wednesday 5th May 2021.
- **26 MATTERS ARISING**

Brandon Town Council Full Council Meeting Monday 14th June 2021

27 STAFFING

27.1 To review staff wages.

28 QUOTES

- 28.1 To consider quotation to replace the lantern on Unit 441 on Woodlands Rise.
- 28.2 To consider quotation to completely replace Unit 256 on Rought Avenue.
- **28.3** To consider quotation to dismantle and rebuild collapsed section of wall in the Churchyard.

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BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Brandon Town Council Annual General Meeting held virtually using Zoom on Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr P Wittam (Chair), Cllr S Annear, Cllr L Atkins, Cllr B Brabbs, Cllr P Etherington, Cllr J Hughes, Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell, Cllr V Lukaniuk, Cllr D Moore, Cllr D Palmer, Cllr P Ridgwell, Cllr S Skinner, Cllr N Vant

Also Present: 1+ member of the public.

1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillors Skinner and Wittam were nominated and seconded.

Cllr Skinner was proposed by Cllr Etherington and seconded by Cllr Moore.

Cllr Wittam was proposed by Cllr Lukaniuk and seconded by Cllr Ridgwell.

A vote duly took place. Cllr Skinner was duly elected as Chair by majority vote.

Resolution Record No: BTC/01/05/May/21

CARRIED: By majority vote: 9 Skinner, 3 Wittam, 1 abstention.

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL ELECTS CLLR S SKINNER AS THE NEW CHAIRMAN, AND THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE WAS NOTED.

Due to Covid regulations the Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be signed in the presence of the Town Clerk within seven working days.

2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN AND ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillors Wittam and Etherington were nominated and seconded.

Cllr Wittam was proposed by Cllr Lukaniuk and seconded by Cllr Ridgwell.

Cllr Etherington was proposed by Cllr Skinner and seconded by Cllr Lloyd-Blackwell.

A vote duly took place. Cllr Etherington was duly elected as Vice Chair by majority vote.

Resolution Record No: BTC/02/05/May/21

CARRIED: By majority vote: 9 Etherington, 3 Wittam, 1 abstention.

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL ELECTS CLLR P ETHERINGTON AS THE NEW VICE CHAIRMAN, AND THE DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE WAS NOTED.

Due to Covid regulations the Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be signed in the presence of the Town Clerk within seven working days.

3 APOLOGIES for absence and approval of reasons tendered.

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4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST and additions to Members Register of Interest.

Cllr P Etherington – Non-pecuniary interest – item 33.1.

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5 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM SQN LDR TURNBULL - RAF LAKENHEATH

Sqn Leader Turnbull did not attend the meeting.

6 TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM MINUTES

- Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 12th April 2021

Cllr Ridgwell commented that reference to World War 2 was incorrect as the minutes should have referenced the Korean War. The Clerk noted this, and the amendment would be made.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr N Vant

Resolution Record No: BTC/03/05/May/21

CARRIED: By majority vote: 12 for, 1 abstention.

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2021 BE APPROVED.

- 7 MATTERS ARISING for information exchange only of the Full Council meeting of 12th April 2021 None.
- **8 URGENT BUSINESS** and any items the Chairman considers a matter of urgent business None.
- 9 TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORTS from County and District Councillors, Working Party and Community Groups Representatives

Cllr Lukaniuk as District Councillor reported the old bingo hall was being dismantled. The roof is not asbestos but a concrete product and was being unbolted and being dropped into the interior of the building to be taken away. The plaque which Council approved at the last meeting had been fixed to the memorial bench.

Cllr Vant reminded the District Councillors that a resident had previously raised concerns that Councils in the old Forest Heath area paid for their estate lighting, whereas those in the St Edmundsbury Council did not. He further commented that the Council Tax in the Brandon area is being raised to meet that of the old St Edmundsbury area, but we will still be expected to pay for the cost of our estate lighting, but those outside of the old Forest Heath area will not. He asked that our District Councillors please address this issue. Cllr Lukaniuk replied that this arrangement had been in place for decades. He stated that he would discuss the matter with the Clerk to investigate how this matter could be taken forward. He assured the meeting that he would make further enquiries. Cllr Wittam agreed with Cllr Lukaniuk's statement and added that it was previous Council's that had accepted responsibility for the estate lighting, and it would now be a difficult task to reverse the situation. He assured the meeting that Brandon's District Councillors would persevere at District level on this issue. Cllr Palmer agreed to work with the other District Councillors.

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Report was received.

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11 PUBLIC FORUM Monthly event limited to 3 minutes duration maximum per resident.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr N Vant

Resolution Record No: BTC/04/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED FOR THE PUBLIC FORUM.

A member of the public congratulated those elected as Chair and Vice Chair. They commented that there had been no planning applications made in Weeting. They further informed Council that Roy Brame had been elected Chair of Breckland Council, with Mike Nairn as Vice Chair. They suggested that Brandon Festival maybe asking for some grant funding in the future. The member of the public further commented on the poor state of repair on the Brandon industrial area, he remembered that there used to be a team tasked with keeping the area maintained, but this seems to no longer be the case. Cllr Skinner agreed with this comment and asked that the Town Clerk write a letter to West Suffolk on the matter.

THE CHAIRMAN RECONVENED THE MEETING

12 CORRESPONDENCE

Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government – Welcome Back Fund – information was received. The Clerk stated he was aware of some funds being held by West Suffolk that were available to premises with outside seating areas for the provision of additional tables and chairs. The Clerk had been in conversation with Cllr Lukaniuk regarding two premises that may wish to take up the offer.

13 ACCOUNTS to approve the payments for April 2021.

Cllr Ridgwell queried payments made regarding the skip located at the new cemetery yard. The Clerk confirmed that Brandon Town Council did own the skip and that it is been observed the bottom section had become rotten so required welding and repairing. Following repairs, it was thoroughly cleaned and repainted by Council staff. The Clerk stated that the cost of a new skip would be approximately £1500, the repairs and refurbishment would allow the skip to continue in use for a number of years, by which time alternative means of disposal of waste maybe in place. Further debate took place between the Clerk and Cllr Ridgwell on the subject.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTC/05/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

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| 12/04/2021 | 415378 | Clarkes of Walsham Ltd | Legs for Notice Board OSH | £96.60 | £19.32 | £115.92 | BACS |
| 13/04/2021 | 100868 | Culford Waste Ltd | Trade Waste | £241.67 | £48.33 | £290.00 | BACS |
| 16/04/2021 | 160421/76 | Trade Paints (UK) Ltd | Paint for Skip | £44.15 | £8.83 | £52.98 | BACS |
| 23/04/2021 | | CMS | | £45.00 | £0.00 | £45.00 | BACS |
| 01/04/2021 | 115690 | Cranberry Comms. | Microsoft 365 Subscription | £159.80 | £31.96 | £191.76 | Direct Debi |
| 02/04/2021 | 8767918 | Wave - Anglian Water | Water Cemetery Yard | £32.29 | £0.00 | £32.29 | Direct Debi |
| 01/04/2021 | | Creative Pension Trust | Pensions | £309.44 | £0.00 | £309.44 | Direct Debi |
| 19/03/2021 | 962689048 | British Gas | Gas OSH | £105.09 | £5.25 | £110.34 | Direct Debi |
| 21/03/2021 | M040 VU | ВТ | Phone OSH | £39.50 | £7.90 | £47.40 | Direct Debi |
| 22/03/2021 | M016 F5 | ВТ | Phone OSH | £19.50 | £3.90 | £23.40 | Direct Debi |
| 29/03/2021 | H19A786F86 | E.ON | Electric Pillar 8 Market Hill | £11.55 | £0.58 | £12.13 | Direct Debi |
| 29/03/2021 | H19A712A13 | E.ON | Electric Cemetery Yard | £10.72 | £0.54 | £11.26 | Direct Debit |
| 30/03/2021 | H19A7962D0 | E.ON | Electric Pillar 9 Market Hill | £7.70 | £0.39 | £8.09 | Direct Debi |
| 05/04/2021 | 97343632 | Quadient UK Ltd | Postage | £50.00 | £0.00 | £50.00 | Direct Debi |
| 18/04/2021 | 933921 | Everflow | Water OSH | £34.14 | £0.00 | £34.14 | Direct Debi |
| 26/04/2021 | | Creative Pension Trust | Pensions | £331.57 | £0.00 | £331.57 | Direct Debi |
| 28/04/2021 | 1143729 | West Suffolk Council | Trade Waste | £69.60 | £0.00 | £69.60 | Direct Debit |
| 29/03/2021 | 1127 | SC Construction Sols. | New Cemetery Survey | £425.00 | £85.00 | £510.00 | BACS |
| 31/03/2021 | 52174 | Chase Timber Products | Ashes Plots - Cemetery | £89.60 | £17.92 | £107.52 | BACS |
| 20/04/2021 | 52405 | Chase Timber Products | The Lode - Fencing | £123.64 | £24.74 | £148.38 | BACS |
| 06/04/2021 | 101100 | J & D Green | Cleaning Windows OSH | £16.50 | £0.00 | £16.50 | BACS |
| 14/04/2021 | 107668 | J & D Green | Cleaning Bus Shelters | £50.00 | £0.00 | £50.00 | BACS |
| 01/04/2021 | 24373 | S.A.L.C. | Membership Subscription | £1,236.30 | £0.00 | £1,236.30 | BACS |
| 12/04/2021 | 24708 | S.A.L.C. | Councillor Training | £600.00 | £120.00 | £720.00 | BACS |
| 07/04/2021 | 116339 | AOS Online LLP | Refuse Sacks | £59.40 | £11.88 | £71.28 | BACS |
| 16/04/2021 | 5271 | Ace Drainage Ltd | Unblock OSH Drains | £95.00 | £19.00 | £114.00 | BACS |
| 19/04/2021 | 23764 | Hyprosteps Ltd | Skip Repairs | £440.00 | £88.00 | £528.00 | BACS |
| 27/04/2021 | 69930 | Alan R Cross & Son | Fire Alarm Problem | £80.00 | £16.00 | £96.00 | BACS |
| 28/04/2021 | K24539 | Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd | Pressure Washer Repair | £50.00 | £10.00 | £60.00 | BACS |
| 05/05/2021 | | HMRC | NICS | £1,583.36 | £0.00 | £1,583.36 | BACS |

Cllr Palmer stated he had another meeting to attend, the Clerk was aware of this matter and had received Cllr Palmer's apologies.

14 TO RECEIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT AGAINST BUDGET FOR MARCH 2021

The Income and Expenditure Statement against Budget for March 2021 was received.

15 REVIEW OF DELEGATION ARRANGMENTS TO COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, STAFF AND OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES

The Clerk informed council that this item was included in the agenda as it was stated in our standing orders, he did not believe that this was relevant to this meeting at this time. The Chair accepted this point and if no councillors had any objection the meeting would move onto the next agenda item.

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16 TO REVIEW THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR COMMITTEES

The Chair introduced the subject and asked the Clerk to elaborate. The Clerk again stated that this was a provision of the standing orders and related to the operating parameters of working parties and committees of Brandon Town Council. Cllr Etherington stated that as the New Cemetery Working Party had just been established and had only few meetings, she suggested that the Terms of Reference stand.

Cllr Lukaniuk raised issue with item ten of the Terms of Reference for the Planning Committee. A general discussion ensued regarding this matter culminating in Cllr Etherington suggesting that the Planning Committee resolve this at their next meeting and resubmit the document to full Council in a revised form for approval.

Cllr Skinner proposed that a vote is taken to defer the Terms of Reference for the Planning Committee until the next full Council meeting.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTC/06/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

Cllr Skinner proposed that a vote is taken to confirm the existing Terms of Reference for the New Cemetery Working Party as previously established.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr N Vant

Resolution Record No: BTC/07/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

17 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS 2021/22

- Brandon Neighbourhood Watch

- Cllr P Ridgwell, Cllr J Hughes

- Brandon Remembrance Playing Fields

- Cllr D Palmer, Cllr L Atkins

- SALC

- Cllr D Palmer, Mr G Cock - Town Clerk

Proposer: Cllr N Vant **Seconder:** Cllr S Skinner

Resolution Record No: BTC/08/05/May/21

CARRIED: By majority vote: 11 for, 1 abstention.

18 APPOINT MEMBERS FOR BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES 2021/22

- East Ward Lighting Working Party

- Cllr S Skinner, Cllr L Atkins

- Central Ward Lighting Working Party

- Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell,

- West Ward Lighting Working Party

- Cllr J Hughes

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTC/09/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

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- Planning Panel

- Cllr P Wittam, Cllr S Annear, Cllr D Moore,
- Cllr N Vant, Cllr B Brabbs, Cllr L Atkins,
- Cllr V Lukaniuk, Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTC/10/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

- Cemetery Committee

- The Full Council

Proposer: Cllr P Wittam **Seconder:** Cllr N Vant

Resolution Record No: BTC/11/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

- Emergency Panel. A general discussion took place regarding the merits of reworking the document or abolishing it completely. A vote ensued to defer a decision on this subject until a later date.

Proposer: Cllr P Wittam **Seconder:** Cllr S Skinner

Resolution Record No: BTC/12/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

- New Cemetery Working Party – it was agreed that the existing members of the working party are retained, along with the addition of Cllr L Atkins.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr J Hughes

Resolution Record No: BTC/13/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

- Christmas and Events Working Party

- Cllr L Atkins, Cllr S Annear, Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell,
- Cllr J Hughes, Mrs A Barnes (MOS)

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner

Seconder: Cllr P Etherington

Resolution Record No: BTC/14/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

19 APPOINTMENT OF ANY NEW COMMITTEES

Cllr Annear queried the addition of a committee for issues regarding the railway. It was explained that we already have a group monitoring development at the station. There were no other committees suggested or required.

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20 REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF APPROPRIATE STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Cllr Vant stated he has no issues with the existing Standing Orders but raised issue with 5.21 and 5.22 of the Financial Regulations which appeared to contradict each other. Cllr Wittam commented on the benefits of the use of a petty cash system. A debate took place as to the amount that should be held. The Clerk stated that he could see both sides of the argument but from an operational point of view found the administration of a petty cash system onerous. He added that Brandon Town Council had accounts with many local suppliers and did not feel the need for a petty cash system.

Cllr Etherington suggested that the Council abide by the Clerk's decision. Cllr Skinner proposed that item 5.22 of the Financial Regulations be deleted.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr N Vant

Resolution Record No: BTC/15/05/May/21

CARRIED: By majority vote: 9 for, 2 against, 1 abstention.

A vote then ensued to approve existing Standing Orders.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr P Etherington

Resolution Record No: BTC/16/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

21 REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION ON OR WORK WITH EXTERNAL BODIES AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR REPORTING BACK

The Clerk explained that this item was not applicable to Brandon Town Council but as it appeared on our Standing Orders to be reviewed it was included.

22 REVIEW OF INVENTORY OF LAND AND ASSETS

The Clerk advised that this was currently under review and would be reported back at a later date.

23 CONFIRMATION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR INSURANCE COVER in respect of all insured risks

The Clerk assured Council of cover being in place and displayed the relevant documents.

24 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S AND/OR STAFF SUBSCRIPTIONS TO OTHER BODIES

The Clerk explained that we had membership subscriptions to SALC and The Federation of Burial and Cremation Authorities. Cllr Wittam requested costs of these subscriptions. Not voted on. Bring forward to next meeting.

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A debate between a number of Councillors ensued regarding the continuation of the meeting beyond the two-hour limit. The Clerk was consulted, who despite it being a very long day wished to finalise the meeting due to other impending work at the office. A vote ensued.

Proposer: Cllr P Wittam **Seconder:** Cllr S Skinner

Resolution Record No: BTC/17/05/May/21 CARRIED: By majority vote: 9 for, 3 against.

At 9.08pm Cllr Wittam left the meeting, along with Cllr Ridgwell.

25 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

Council reviewed and approved the existing Complaints Procedure.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner

Seconder: Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell

Resolution Record No: BTC/18/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

26 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 AND THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 1998

Council reviewed and approved the existing procedures for handling requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner

Seconder: Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell

Resolution Record No: BTC/19/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

Procedures for handling requests made under the Data Protection Act 1998 is to be deferred to a later date.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr B Brabbs

Resolution Record No: BTC/20/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

27 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S POLICY FOR DEALING WITH THE PRESS/MEDIA

The Clerk requested that the item be deferred as he was aware of new information becoming available.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner **Seconder:** Cllr P Etherington

Resolution Record No: BTC/21/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

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28 TO DETERMINE the time and place of Ordinary Meetings of the Full Council up to and

Including the next Annual Meeting of the Full Council.

The Clerk stated that the venue may change but the dates were fixed.

Proposer: Cllr N Vant **Seconder:** Cllr P Etherington

Resolution Record No: BTC/22/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

29 TO CONFIRM THE LEAD PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING in the Town Council

Cllr Hughes stated she is a registered Safeguarding Officer, and the Clerk was to discuss the issue with her further personally outside of the meeting. The Chair proposed that the item was deferred until the Clerk had had a chance to talk to Cllr Hughes.

Proposer: Cllr N Vant **Seconder:** Cllr P Etherington

Resolution Record No: BTC/23/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

30 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

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

Proposer: Cllr P Etherington **Seconder:** Cllr J Lloyd-Blackwell

Resolution Record No: BTC/24/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

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BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Confidential Minutes

of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting Annual General Meeting held virtually using Microsoft Teams on Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7.00pm

THIS PAGE IS CONFIDENTIAL ONLY THE RESOLUTIONS MAYBE DISPLAYED AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD

31 TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

- Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 12th April 2021.

Proposer: Cllr P Etherington

Seconder: Cllr N Vant

Resolution Record No: BTC/25/05/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES THAT THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2021 BE APPROVED.

32 MATTERS ARISING.

Cllr Vant enquired regarding the painting of Old School House. The Clerk confirmed that the contractor had been contacted and they would due to start July but would be meeting in June to discuss the schedule of works and arrangements thereof.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the lift engineers had visited site for the standard service visit, but no further mention had been made about the seals. Cllr Vant suggested that the leakage maybe due to lack of use.

33 STAFFING

33.1 To review staff wages.

The Clerk outlined his proposals to structure the wage system for all staff within Brandon Town Council using the NJC wage system. A debate took place between various Councillors and the Clerk regarding detail of the proposals. Cllr Etherington stated that she felt the move to a wage structure would be of benefit to the Council. It was proposed that the NJC wage scale was adopted by Brandon Town Council as a basis for wage negotiations.

The Clerk is to send figures to the Councillors on the proposed wage increases for staff.

Proposer: Cllr S Annear **Seconder:** Cllr J Hughes

Resolution Record No: BTC/26/05/May/21

CARRIED: By majority vote: 8 for, 1 abstention, 1 not voting due to a declared interest.

The meeting closed at 9.57pm

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Brandon Town Council

Town Clerks Report

I am pleased to report that our Town keepers are continuing to address many of the matters which have been raised as being of concern.

This includes the renovation of the Old Notice Board which will be installed to replace the now outdated one at the Brandon Cemetery.

Erection of fencing to stop litter blowing into the Lode from the Aldi car Park.

Adding extra seating to the areas of Brandon where it has been identified as being required.

Other projects include work to compliment BiB work at the Wedge.

Whilst the winter planting continue to provide colour, the addition splash of colour provided by the summer bedding will be arriving soon.

Grass cutting throughout Brandon by West Suffolk has commenced, this is I am informed is slightly delayed by staffing issues.

We continue to see litter deposited in the Coulson Lane Passageway daily. This like any littering in Brandon has a cost to each Council Tax payer in Brandon.

Suffolk County Council have the power to fine those observed littering £175.00 for each offence, up to a maximum of £2,500.00.

It took our Towns Keepers an amount of time to clear the Orchard the other week, please take your rubbish home, or put it in the bin.

Redecoration of Old School House will be starting in the next weeks, areas will be not accessible at certain times.

The Nine Stiles Walk will be taking place again in August, led by a Town Keeper. Please look at the notice board regularly for further details.

Accounts for Payment May 2021

| Invoice Date | Invoice No | Supplier | Expense Type | Nett | VAT | Gross | Payment |
|-----------------|------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|-----------------|
| 04/05/2021 | | L Atkins | Reimbursement - Mileage | £138.60 | £0.00 | £138.60 | BACS |
| 12/05/2021 | | Mrs A Barnes | Reimbursement | £130.44 | £6.80 | £137.24 | BACS |
| 25/05/2021 | V . V | CMS | | £45.00 | £0.00 | £45.00 | BACS |
| 13/05/2021 | | Mini First Aid | First Aid Course - | £27.50 | £0.00 | £27.50 | BACS |
| 20,00,2022 | | Suffolk | 1/2 payment | 227.30 | 20.00 | 127.50 | DACS |
| 20/05/2021 | | Mini First Aid Suffolk | First Aid Course - remainder | £27.50 | £0.00 | £27.50 | BACS |
| 26/03/2021 | 1149158050 | Trade UK | Hazard Cabinet/Fire Ass. Sign | £215.83 | £43.15 | £258.98 | Direct Debit |
| 31/03/2021 | 264070 | Corona Corporate Sols. | Photocopier - Toner Waste | £13.50 | £2.70 | £16.20 | Direct Debit |
| 19/04/2021 | H19BCA1E1E | E.ON | Electric OSH | £113.99 | £5.70 | £119.69 | Direct Debit |
| 25/04/2021 | H19B162FEB | E.ON | Electric New Yard | £274.35 | £35.71 | £310.06 | Direct Debit |
| 27/04/2021 | H19C539048 | E.ON | Electric Cemetery Yard | £10.83 | £0.54 | £11.37 | Direct Debit |
| 29/04/2021 | H19C744311 | E.ON | Electric Pillar 8 Market Hill | £19.98 | £1.00 | £20.98 | Direct Debit |
| 29/04/2021 | H19C752E47 | E.ON | Electric Pillar 9 Market Hill | £5.05 | £0.25 | £5.30 | Direct Debit |
| 07/05/2021 | H19CE887BC | E.ON | Electric New Yard | £42.58 | £2.13 | £44.71 | Direct Debit |
| 20/04/2021 | 965674403 | British Gas | Gas OSH | £86.83 | £4.34 | £91.17 | Direct Debit |
| 21/04/2021 | M041 ZG | ВТ | Phone OSH | £39.50 | £7.90 | £47.40 | Direct Debit |
| 22/04/2021 | M017 JS | BT | Phone OSH | £19.50 | £3.90 | £23.40 | Direct Debit |
| 06/05/2021 | Q013 1H | ВТ | Phone OSH | £164.71 | £32.94 | £197.65 | Direct Debit |
| 04/05/2021 | 115764 | Cranberry Comms. | Microsoft 365 Subscription | £159.80 | £31.96 | £191.76 | Direct Debit |
| 05/05/2021 | 97343633 | Quadient UK Ltd | Postage | £50.00 | £0.00 | £50.00 | Direct Debit |
| 07/05/2021 | | Siemens | Photocopier | £472.00 | £94.40 | £566.40 | Direct Debit |
| 18/05/2021 | 980112 | Everflow | Water OSH | £16.83 | £0.00 | £16.83 | Direct Debit |
| 28/05/2021 | 1143729 | West Suffolk Council | Trade Waste | £69.60 | £0.00 | £69.60 | Direct Debit |
| 08/03/2021 | 104349 | Thetford Garden Centre | Compost/Seeds | £14.30 | £1.66 | £15.96 | BACS |
| 26/04/2021 | 104367 | Thetford Garden Centre | Seeds | £27.47 | £5.50 | £32.97 | BACS |
| 14/04/2021 | K23660 | Ernest Doe & Sons | Fluids for Gator | £37.49 | £7.50 | £44.99 | BACS |
| 26/04/2021 | K24449 | Ernest Doe & Sons | Battery for Strimmer | £200.00 | £40.00 | £240.00 | BACS |

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| 28/04/2021 | K24580 | Ernest Doe & Sons | Hose for Mower | £33.73 | £6.75 | £40.48 | BACS |
|------------|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------|
| 06/05/2021 | K25093 | Ernest Doe & Sons | Cable for Mower | £46.10 | £9.22 | £55.32 | BACS |
| 19/05/2021 | K25843 | Ernest Doe & Sons | New Mower | £9,200.00 | £1,840.00 | £11,040.00 | BACS |
| 24/05/2021 | K26077 | Ernest Doe & Sons | Strimmer Line | £60.43 | £12.09 | £72.52 | BACS |
| 29/04/2021 | arc677-0008 | TownsWebArchiving | Update Burial Records | £380.17 | £76.03 | £456.20 | BACS |
| 11/05/2021 | arc677-0009 | TownsWebArchiving | Burial Records Search | £255.50 | £51.10 | £306.60 | BACS |
| 29/04/2021 | 52502 | Chase Timber Products | Post Mix for Notice Board | £30.80 | £6.16 | £36.96 | BACS |
| 30/04/2021 | 20210000399 | Finevale Service Station | Fuel | £149.24 | £29.84 | £179.08 | BACS |
| 31/05/2021 | 20210000505 | Finevale Service Station | Fuel | £113.60 | £22.71 | £136.31 | BACS |
| 30/04/2021 | 506710776 | WPS Hallam Ins. Brokers | Vehicle Insurance | £695.88 | £0.00 | £695.88 | BACS |
| 30/04/2021 | 6210287368 | Lyreco UK Ltd | Stationery | £68.05 | £13.61 | £81.66 | BACS |
| 03/05/2021 | 107687 | J & D Green | Cleaning Windows OSH | £16.50 | £0.00 | £16.50 | BACS |
| 07/05/2021 | 3754 AGN687 | Travis Perkins Ltd | Town Costs | £4.58 | £0.92 | £5.50 | BACS |
| 19/05/2021 | 3754 AGO607 | Travis Perkins Ltd | Notice Board - Cemetery | £3.14 | £0.63 | £3.77 | BACS |
| 10/05/2021 | INV-7682 | Globalbagtag.com Ltd | Vehicle Tracker | £50.00 | £10.00 | £60.00 | BACS |
| 10/05/2021 | 215413 | Fengate Fasteners Ltd | Tools & Consumables | 126.91 | 25.38 | 152.29 | BACS |
| 14/05/2021 | 28871 | Rialtas Business Sols | Accounts Year End Close | £560.00 | £112.00 | £672.00 | BACS |
| 14/05/2021 | 17612669 | Currys PC World | Laptop | £274.16 | £54.83 | £328.99 | BACS |
| 31/05/2021 | 72977 | The CDS Group | New Cemetery Design | £675.00 | £135.00 | £810.00 | BACS |
| 31/05/2021 | | Mrs A Barnes | Mobile Phone | £18.76 | £0.00 | £18.76 | BACS |
| 31/05/2021 | | Mr M Goodson | Mobile Phone | £10.87 | £0.00 | £10.87 | BACS |
| 31/05/2021 | | Mr G Cock | Reimbursement | £127.88 | £8.84 | £136.72 | BACS |
| 05/06/2021 | | HMRC | NICS | £1,487.54 | £0.00 | £1,487.54 | BACS |

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Actual Last Actual Year Variance Committed Funds Transfer Current To Date Annual Bud Annual Total Expenditure Available to/from EMR Year 101 Administration 1176 Precept 286,001 292,403 286,137 (6,266)10,164 0 1177 Misc Income 0 0 1180 Room Hire 0 480 480 390 1190 Interest on Investments 163 0 0 0 Administration :- Income 296,718 292,403 286,617 (5,786)0 965 1101 Insurances 6,416 5,771 6,736 965 1,560 2,860 1110 Audit Fees (External) (1,360)1,500 2,860 1111 Audit Fees (Internal) 860 (800)1,000 1,800 1,800 1120 Legal Fees 3,700 2,691 3,200 509 509 1125 Website Upkeep 362 0 300 300 300 1130 Office Equipment/Furniture 124 0 400 400 400 1131 Computer Equipment 75 0 2,500 2,500 2,500 265 0 500 1132 Stationery 500 500 1133 Payroll 386 0 500 500 500 1138 Misc Expenses 540 45 600 555 555 1140 Staff Training 1,167 0 1,500 1,500 1,500 1141 Councillor Training 75 0 500 500 500 1142 Chairman's Allowance 0 0 200 200 200 1143 SW/HW Support 2,959 160 2,000 1,840 1,840 1144 SALC/NALC 0 0 1,300 1,300 1,300 1145 Subscriptions 1,518 0 500 500 500 1146 Information/Books/Software etc 380 0 100 100 100 652 0 1,000 1,000 1,000 1148 Lift servicing 374 0 300 300 1150 Advertising 300 637 50 1,000 950 1156 Postage 950 1160 Mileage 25 0 150 150 150 1,913 0 1,500 1165 Photocopier Rental 1,500 1,500 483 1166 Photocopier Charges (14)600 614 614 4,000 1167 Election Costs 0 0 4,000 4,000 1170 Telephone, Fax, Internet 1,273 0 1,000 1,000 1,000 0 2,000 2131 New Equipment 0 2,000 2,000 4113 Bank Charges 99 0 250 250 250 Administration :- Indirect Expenditure 6,543 35,136 28,593 0 28,593 25,844 Net Income over Expenditure 270,873 285.860 251,481 (34,379)102 Staff 1201 Staff Salaries (Gross) 70,227 6,767 105,849 99,082 99,082 1202 LGA Superannuation 3,932 309 3,176 2,867 2,867

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| | | Actual Last Year | Actual Year To Date | Current Annual Bud | Variance Annual Total | Committed Expenditure | Funds Available | Transfer to/from EMR |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|--------------------------|--|----------------------|
| 1203 | NI Contributions | 14,317 | 0 | 14,819 | 14,819 | | 14,819 | |
| | Staff :- Indirect Expenditure | 88,476 | 7,076 | 123,844 | 116,768 | | 116,768 | 0 |
| | Net Expenditure | (88,476) | (7,076) | (123,844) | (116,768) | | | |
| | | (00,470) | (1,010) | (123,044) | (110,700) | | | |
| <u>103</u> | PWLB | | | | | | | |
| 1301 | Public Works Loan board | 13,559 | 0 | 13,600 | 13,600 | | 13,600 | |
| | PWLB :- Indirect Expenditure | 13,559 | 0 | 13,600 | 13,600 | 0 | 13,600 | 0 |
| | Net Expenditure | (13,559) | 0 | (13,600) | (13,600) | | | |
| 104 | Grants | | | - | | | | |
| | Grants | 29,028 | 0 | 29,028 | 29,028 | | 29,028 | |
| | S137 | 9,700 | 0 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | 10,000 | |
| | _ | | | | | | | |
| | Grants :- Indirect Expenditure | 38,728 | 0 | 39,028 | 39,028 | 0 | 39,028 | 0 |
| | Net Expenditure | (38,728) | 0 | (39,028) | (39,028) | | | |
| 201 | Cemetery/Town | | | | | | | |
| 2177 | Burial Fees | 10,526 | 1,750 | 10,000 | 8,250 | | | |
| 2178 | Ashes Interment Fees | 4,256 | 560 | 4,000 | 3,440 | | | |
| 2179 | Memorial Fees | 2,753 | 0 | 2,000 | 2,000 | | | |
| | Cemetery/Town :- Income | 17,535 | 2,310 | 16,000 | 13,690 | | | |
| | | | | , | | | | 0 |
| 2101 | Cemetery/Town Costs | 4,441 | (255) | 4,000 | 4,255 | | 4,255 | 0 |
| | Cemetery/Town Costs Cemetery Works | 4,441 739 | | | 4,255 25,425 | | 4,255 25,425 | 0 |
| 2107 | | | (255) | 4,000 | | | | 0 |
| 2107 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) | 739 | (255) (425) | 4,000 25,000 | 25,425 | | 25,425 | 0 |
| 2107 2110 2111 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) | 739 357 | (255) (425) 32 | 4,000 25,000 500 | 25,425 468 | | 25,425 468 | 0 |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity | 739 357 1,459 | (255) (425) 32 0 | 4,000 25,000 500 750 | 25,425 468 750 | | 25,425 468 750 | 0 |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental | 739 357 1,459 500 | (255) (425) 32 0 | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 | 25,425 468 750 500 | | 25,425 468 750 500 | 0 |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) | (255) (425) 32 0 0 | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 | | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 | 0 |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment Trade Waste | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) 1,402 | (255) (425) 32 0 0 0 311 | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 2,000 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 | | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 | 0 |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment Trade Waste Bus Shelter Cleaning | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) 1,402 200 | (255) (425) 32 0 0 0 311 | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 2,000 200 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | 0 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 2133 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment Trade Waste Bus Shelter Cleaning Cemetery/Town :- Indirect Expenditure | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) 1,402 200 | (255) (425) 32 0 0 0 311 0 (337) | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 2,000 200 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | 0 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 2133 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment Trade Waste Bus Shelter Cleaning Cemetery/Town :- Indirect Expenditure Net Income over Expenditure | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) 1,402 200 | (255) (425) 32 0 0 0 311 0 (337) | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 2,000 200 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | 0 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 2133 301 3110 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment Trade Waste Bus Shelter Cleaning Cemetery/Town :- Indirect Expenditure Net Income over Expenditure | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) 1,402 200 8,930 | (255) (425) 32 0 0 0 311 0 (337) | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 2,000 200 33,950 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 34,287 | 0 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 | |
| 2107 2110 2111 2116 2131 2132 2133 301 3110 3111 | Cemetery Works Water Charges (Cemetry/OSH) Electricity Garage Rental New Equipment Trade Waste Bus Shelter Cleaning Cemetery/Town :- Indirect Expenditure Net Income over Expenditure Old School House Gas Supply | 739 357 1,459 500 (168) 1,402 200 8,930 8,605 | (255) (425) 32 0 0 0 311 0 (337) | 4,000 25,000 500 750 500 1,000 2,000 200 33,950 (17,950) | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 34,287 (20,597) | 0 | 25,425 468 750 500 1,000 1,689 200 34,287 | |

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| | | Actual Last Year | Actual Year To Date | Current Annual Bud | Variance Annual Total | Committed Expenditure | Funds Available | Transfer to/from EMR |
|------------|--|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 3117 | Water charges OSH | 132 | 34 | 250 | 216 | | 216 | |
| | Window Cleaning | 198 | 0 | 250 | 250 | | 250 | |
| 3125 | Fire Extinguisher Servicing | 184 | 0 | 200 | 200 | | 200 | |
| 3178 | Old School House Maintenance | 1,773 | 97 | 1,000 | 903 | | 903 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | Old School House :- Indirect Expenditure | 4,129 | 131 | 3,700 | 3,569 | 0 | 3,569 | 0 |
| | Net Expenditure | (4,129) | (131) | (3,700) | (3,569) | | | |
| <u>401</u> | General | | | | | | | |
| 2121 | Machinery Servicing | 20 | 0 | 500 | 500 | | 500 | |
| 2122 | Fuel & Oil | 970 | (0) | 1,500 | 1,500 | | 1,500 | |
| 2130 | Truck Replacement | 0 | 0 | 2,500 | 2,500 | | 2,500 | |
| 2139 | Protective Clothing | 1,162 | 0 | 1,000 | 1,000 | | 1,000 | |
| 2140 | Town Keepers Mobile Calls | 0 | 0 | 360 | 360 | | 360 | |
| 4101 | Horticultural | 175 | 0 | 200 | 200 | | 200 | |
| 4102 | Christmas Lighting | 2,241 | 0 | 6,000 | 6,000 | | 6,000 | |
| 4104 | Truck Maintenance & Tax | 50 | 0 | 500 | 500 | | 500 | |
| 4105 | Town Clock Repairs | 0 | 0 | 500 | 500 | | 500 | |
| 4110 | Civic Expenditure | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | |
| 4112 | Events | 3,036 | 0 | 4,000 | 4,000 | | 4,000 | |
| | General :- Indirect Expenditure | 7,660 | (0) | 17,060 | 17,060 | 0 | 17,060 | 0 |
| | Net Expenditure | (7,660) | 0 | (17,060) | (17,060) | | | |
| 402 | Recreation | | | * | | | | |
| 4201 | The Lode - Lifebelts | 0 | 0 | 200 | 200 | | 200 | |
| | The Orchard, Coulson Lane | 0 | 0 | 500 | 500 | | 500 | |
| | Thetford Rd Play Area | 0 | 0 | 1,000 | 1,000 | | 1,000 | |
| | Playing Fields | 0 | 0 | 2,000 | 2,000 | | 2,000 | |
| | Horticultural Work | 174 | (0) | 1,200 | 1,200 | | 1,200 | |
| | Cemetery - Trees | 0 | 0 | 6,000 | 6,000 | | 6,000 | |
| | Recreation :- Indirect Expenditure | 174 | (0) | 10,900 | 10,900 | | 10,900 | 0 |
| | N | | | | | | | |
| | Net Expenditure = | (174) | 0 | (10,900) | (10,900) | | | |
| <u>403</u> | Street Lights | | | | | | | |
| 4302 | Street Lighting Energy | 15,392 | 0 | 18,000 | 18,000 | | 18,000 | |
| 4303 | Street Lights Repairs | 9,645 | (0) | 8,000 | 8,000 | | 8,000 | |
| | Street Lights :- Indirect Expenditure | 25,037 | (0) | 26,000 | 26,000 | 0 | 26,000 | 0 |
| | Net Expenditure | (25,037) | 0 | (26,000) | (26,000) | | | |
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| | Actual Last Year | Actual Year To Date | Current Annual Bud | Variance Annual Total | Committed Expenditure | Funds Available | Transfer to/from EMR |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Grand Totals:- Income | 314,253 | 294,713 | 302,617 | 7,904 | | | |
| Expenditure | 212,538 | 13,414 | 303,218 | 289,804 | 0 | 289,804 | |
| Net Income over Expenditure | 101,715 | 281,299 | (601) | (281,900) | | | |
| Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve | 101,715 | 281,299 | | | | | |

Brandon Town Council Planning Committee Meeting Monday 7th June 2021

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 7th June 2021 in the Council Chamber, Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr V Lukaniuk (Chair), Cllr S Annear, Cllr L Atkins, Cllr B Brabbs,

Cllr J Lloyd- Blackwell, Cllr D Moore, Cllr S Skinner, Cllr P Wittam, Cllr N Vant

Mr G Cock - Town Clerk

Also Present: 1 member of the public.

1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman asked for nominations for the post of Chair of the Brandon Town Council Planning Committee. Cllr Vant proposed Cllr Brabbs and this was seconded by Cllr Lukaniuk.

Proposer: Cllr N Vant

Seconder: Cllr V Lukaniuk

Resolution Record No: BTCP/27/07/Jun/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

THE PLANNING COMMITTEE ELECTS CLLR B BRABBS AS CHAIRMAN

2. TO SET THE TERMS OF REFERENCE for the Planning Committee.

Cllr Brabbs introduced the subject to the committee and distributed a draft Terms of Reference. A general discussion took place with an amendment to item 3, requested by Cllr Vant in that it should read "the committee will consist of a minimum of seven Councillors appointed annually by Full Council. Cllr Wittam requested that an additional item 14, be added reading "Subject to clause 10, Brandon Town Council Planning Committee has delegated responsibility from Full Council to make a final decision in respect of planning issues.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

5. TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM MINUTES of Planning Committee Meeting of 29th

April 2021.

Proposer: Cllr V Lukaniuk **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTCP/28/07/Jun/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

THE PLANNING COMMITTEE RESOLVES THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF THURSDAY 29TH APRIL 2021 BE APPROVED.

| Signed | l | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Brandon Town Council Planning Committee Meeting Monday 7th June 2021

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public described to the Planning Committee a number of issues which he found objectionable and read out an email which he had sent to the Planning Department at West Suffolk regarding DC/21/0891/FUL. The list of issues was extensive and concerned other matters relating to the site not appertaining to the planning application.

7. PLANNING MATTERS

7.1 LIST OF APPLICATIONS FROM: 29/4/21 TO: 7/6/21

DC/21/0891/FUL

Planning Application – 90 High Street, Brandon

A general discussion ensued regarding the application and additional information that was provided by the resident. It was noted that the expiry date for the reply was the 8th June (having been extended from the 31st May). Given the new information it was agreed that the Clerk would contact the Planning Department at West Suffolk to discuss the issue further and make appropriate reply.

7.2 ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS PRODUCED

DC/21/1114/HH

Planning Application - 17 Seymour Avenue, Brandon The Planning Committee considered the application and could not find any objections and therefore all members supported the application.

8. CORRESPONDENCE - Letter re Downham Way.

A copy of the letter regarding DC/20/2056/HH had been circulated to all members of the Planning Committee. Cllr Vant queried why this development had been deemed acceptable in a residential environment. Cllr Lukaniuk explained to the committee the logic behind the decision that had been made at a previous meeting. He gave numerous examples of similar style developments in Brandon.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN None.

The meeting closed at 7.28pm

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Brandon Town Council New Cemetery Working Party Meeting Wednesday 19th May 2021

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the New Cemetery Working Party Meeting held on Wednesday 19th May 2021 in the Council Chamber, Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr L Atkins, Mrs A Barnes, Cllr P Etherington, Mr T Kent, Cllr V Lukaniuk,

Cllr D Palmer, Cllr S Skinner, Cllr N Vant, Cllr P Wittam

1 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Cllr S Skinner was nominated. **Proposer:** Cllr P Etherington **Seconder:** Mrs A Barnes

Resolution Record No: BTCNC/27/19/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

THE NEW CEMETERY WORKING PARTY ELECTS CLLR S SKINNER AS CHAIRMAN

2 APOLOGIES for absence and approval of reasons tendered.

Cllr S Annear and Cllr J Hughes - Councillor Training.

3 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** and additions to Members Register of Interest.

Cllr S Skinner – Non-pecuniary interest. Mrs A Barnes – Pecuniary interest.

4 TO ADOPT THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE NEW CEMETERY WORKING PARTY

Cllr Lukaniuk queried whether "Council" in item number 7 referred to the Full Council. It was confirmed this was so and the Terms of Reference amended to read as such.

Proposer: Cllr N Vant **Seconder:** Cllr P Wittam

Resolution Record No: BTCNC/28/19/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

5 TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM MINUTES

- Of the New Cemetery Working Party Meeting on 29th March 2021.

Cllr Vant referred to page 2 of the Minutes and asked if in future this could be spaced under paragraphs or headings.

Proposer: Cllr S Skinner Seconder: Cllr V Lukaniuk

Resolution Record No: BTCNC/29/19/May/21

CARRIED: Unanimous

THE NEW CEMETERY WORKING PARTY RESOLVES THAT THE MINUTES OF THE NEW CEMETERY WORKING PARTY MEETING OF MONDAY 29TH MARCH 2021 BE APPROVED

Brandon Town Council New Cemetery Working Party Meeting Wednesday 19th May 2021

6 TO DISCUSS the site layout of the new cemetery and the water table drawings.

The Chairman explained that we needed to make recommendations to the Council, then arrange a meeting with the architects to provide them with a brief from which they would be able to give an estimate of cost.

Cllr Etherington explained that an estimate was required when applying for a Public Works Loan Board loan along with other information including results of a public consultation. It was agreed that, as interest rates were currently so low, the Council should look to apply for a loan to cover the full amount, dependent upon the estimate. This would lessen the impact on future generations and needed to be actioned as soon as possible due to the likelihood of interest rates rising in the future.

It was agreed that an itemised estimate was required as soon as possible.

CDS should be asked to arrange for the archaeology to be done as soon as possible.

It was agreed the access road with parking and turning area plus an east/west path dividing the site into 4 quadrants was a good idea. The architects would need to be aware of the proposed raising of the ground levels and make allowances when considering the road and path levels. Future access for depositing soil would also need to be considered.

The Working Party agreed that the toilet/store was probably positioned in the best place on the site as per layout. It would be an accessible toilet open during funerals and include a store for Town Keepers.

There was agreement that sewerage, water and electric services were required on site.

Mr Kent recommended that should we decide to use post and rail fencing then post savers should be considered to extend the life of the fencing. There was discussion about the boundary fencing and it was agreed the Clerk would be asked to prepare an estimate for Estate Fencing around whole site, with native hedging to the west and north.

Cllr Palmer recommended that the Clerk send a letter to West Suffolk Planning requesting an extension to the Planning Application due to Covid-19. This was agreed. Cllr Palmer also reminded everyone that everything that was done on the site regards the landscaping, road, toilet building etc would need West Suffolk Planning approval.

The Clerk would be asked if the Land Registry for the New Cemetery site had been rectified.

Once the architects have produced the information required for the loan application, the Council could have a pitch one Saturday at Brandon Market in order to consult the public and show them the plans for the New Cemetery.

It was agreed that a meeting should be arranged at the earliest opportunity following ratification by the full Council, between the architect, Graham Cock, Cllr Skinner, Mr T Kent and Cllr Etherington to inform them of the requirements discussed at this meeting.

| The meeting closed at 8.20pm | | |
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