

## **BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting

Held on Monday 7 April 2014

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

**Present:** Cllr. R Silvester, (Chairman), Cllr. S Edwards, Cllr. N Vant, Cllr. P Ridgwell,  
Cllr. I Horner, Cllr. T Simmons, Cllr. D Bimson, Cllr. G Hughes, Cllr. P MacLoughlin,  
Cllr. Mrs L Challiss, Cllr. M Skinner.

**Also present:** Mrs C Mason (Town Clerk), PC Cooper, PC Glancy, and six members of the public.

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Cllr. R Crowther.

### **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 3 March 2014.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/92/07/Apr/14**

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

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 3 MARCH 2014 BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE RECORD.**

**4. MATTERS ARISING** for information exchange only of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 3 March 2014. Matters raised included the drainage problem at Sweden Place (to chase); the placement of green cabinets for High Speed Broadband in Brandon; the removal of the seats at the Lode; the appointment of Cllr. G Hughes as a full member of the Priority Planning Committee.

### **5. RESOLUTION** from Cllr. N Vant, Cllr. I Horner, Cllr. R Crowther No. 150.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/93/07/Apr/14**

Proposed by Cllr. N Vant and seconded by Cllr. I Horner.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES TO DELETE THE WORDS 'IN RESPECT OF BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA' FROM STANDING ORDER 3E FROM THE APPENDIX 3E.

**6. PUBLIC FORUM** – Monthly event limited to 3 minutes duration maximum per resident.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/94/07/Apr/14**

Proposed by Cllr. T Simmons and seconded by Cllr. S Edwards.

CARRIED: Unanimous.

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED FOR THE PUBLIC FORUM.

Members of the public raised matters relating to overgrowing branches in Victoria Avenue; the removal of signage at the Barton Mills exit (Brandon/Lakenheath) following the completion of the A11 works; council tax increase for Brandon.

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

Crime figures 1st March 2014 until 31st March 2014 were read out at the meeting by

PC Brian Glancy There was 22 recorded crimes within this time period. The same time period last year saw 54 crimes recorded. This is a decrease of 59%.

Congratulations were given on the consistent decrease in Brandon crime.

Questions raised included SNT priorities (anti-social behaviour) for Brandon; cars parked on the pavement/road.

Squadron Leader J Neilds commented on the media speculation on the future of RAF Lakenheath. He said that decision will be made by USA Politicians but to date no official statement has been issued. Questions to the Squadron Leader included rubbish along the base perimeter fence; the prospect of Lord's Walk reopening.

**8. TO RECEIVE REPORTS** (if any) from County and /or District Councillors.

A letter of condolence to be sent to Cllr. B Bishop on the recent loss of a close family member.

Questions to the County and District Councillors included the felling of trees in Gas House Drove (RS to action); the disrepair of the wall at Wellington Close (SE to action); the incorrect signage on the fingerposts; the Remembrance Parade Road Closure Order not actioned by Highways (RS to investigate).

The meeting was reconvened.

**9. URGENT BUSINESS** – any items the Chairman considers a matter of urgent business.

There were no matters of urgent business.

**10. ACCOUNTS**

10.1 Resolution Record No. **BTC/95/07/Apr/14**

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

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE MARCH 2014  
ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Date	Amount	Supplier	Net Total	VAT
Mar-14	73.52	Ian Smith Office Supplies Ltd	61.27	12.25
Mar-14	46.74	Finevale Service Station	38.95	7.79
Mar-14	96.00	Graham Smith & Sons	80.00	16.00
Mar-14	14.00	J & D Green	14.00	
Mar-14	72.00	SALC	60.00	12.00
Mar-14	298.51	Travis Perkins	248.76	49.75
Mar-14	44.40	Fengate Fasteners Limited	37.00	7.40
Mar-14	7.80	Cooleraid Limited	6.50	1.30
Mar-14	2,687.00	D Vincent Builders	2,687.00	
Mar-14	5,097.60	Ellis Whittham	4,248.00	849.60
Mar-14	269.19	Stannah Lift Services Limited	224.33	44.86
Mar-14	63.00	Ellis Whittham	63.00	
Mar-14	270.00	Sage (UK) Limited	225.00	45.00
Mar-14	4,257.57	Aviva Insurance Limited	4,257.57	
Mar-14	150.00	SLCC	150.00	
Mar-14	12.00	Clerks & Councils Direct	12.00	
Mar-14	9.96	Chase Timber Products Limited	8.30	1.66
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>13,469.29</b>		<b>12,421.68</b>	<b>1,047.61</b>

10.2 Cllr. S Edwards and Cllr. D Bimson declared an interest in the Brandon Heritage Centre, Cllr. G Hughes declared an interest in Brandon Neighbourhood Watch. The Declaration of Interests Book was duly signed.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/96/07/Apr/14**

Proposed by Cllr. P Ridgwell and seconded by Cllr. T Simmons.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES A S137 DONATION OF  
FOUR HUNDRED POUNDS TO BRANDON HERITAGE CENTRE.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/97/07/Apr/14**

Proposed by Cllr. T Simmons and seconded by Cllr. S Edwards.

**CARRIED:** 6 for 4 against.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES A S137 DONATION OF  
TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS TO THE ARTHROSE APPEAL.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/98/07/Apr/14**

Proposed by Cllr. P MacLoughlin and seconded by Cllr. S Edwards.

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES A \$137 DONATION OF TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY POUNDS TO BRANDON AND SANTON DOWNHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION.

### **11. TOWN BUS**

With no definite figures or public consultation to the cost of providing a town bus, members could not, at this early stage, commit any funding to the project.

However, it was agreed a survey slip should be included in the Brandon Life asking residents for their views on the subject.

### **12. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Resolution Record No. **BTC/99/07/Apr/14**

Proposed by Cllr. D Bimson and seconded by Cllr. T Simmons.

**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.

## **BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL**

Confidential Minutes

Of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting

Held at 7.00pm on Monday 7 April 2014

In the Council Chamber, Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon.

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AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD

### **13. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 3 March 2014

Resolution Record No. **BTC/100/07/Apr/14**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous.

THAT THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN MEETING OF MONDAY 3 MARCH 2014 BE ACCEPTED AS A TRUE RECORD.

**14. MATTERS ARISING** from the confidential minutes of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 3 March 2014.

None.

**15. STAFFING MATTER**

Confidential

**16. GRAVEL PIT**

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With no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.