

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting

Held on Monday 4 July 2016

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

Present: Cllr. P Callaghan, Cllr. I Horner, Cllr. R Silvester, Cllr. P Ridgwell, Cllr. T Simmons, Cllr. G Hughes, Cllr. N Vant, Cllr. V Lukaniuk, Cllr. P MacLoughlin Cllr. A Barnes, Cllr. R Burrows.

Also present: Mrs C Mason (Town Clerk) and five members of the public

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE and approval of reasons tendered.

Cllr. L Jacobs, Cllr. E Jacobs, Cllr. D Palmer.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and additions to Members Register of Interests.

None.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

Matters raised included the over grown foliage at Small Fen Lane and Footpath 13; the overhanging canopies of the cemetery trees adjacent to the properties at Manor Road; report requested from those District Councillors who sit on the Local Plan committee relating to the inadequate number of houses to be built in Brandon (70 houses on already identified areas of land, however, if other land becomes available, a planning application can be submitted for consideration); the results of the traffic count in Brandon (RS has still not received any data from SCC); as a promotional point of view it was suggested signage stating either 'Brandon -Gateway to the Brecks' or similar be investigated; lamp posts have flyers sellotaped onto them and when removed the tape removes the paint; a request from the BCU to assist in funding Defibrillators; an initiative event by Thetford Town Council to alleviate concerns of foreign nationals following Brexit; irresponsible driving along the High Street (police matter).

4. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES

Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 6 June 2016.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/24/04/Jul/16**

CARRIED: Unanimous.

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF
MONDAY 6 JUNE 2016 BE APPROVED.

5. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM RAF LAKENHEATH

Deferred until the arrival of the Squadron Leader.

6. TO RECEIVE REPORTS from County and District Councillors, Community Group Representatives. Contents of the written reports were noted. Cllr. R Silvester's verbal report included - fire service cuts are to go ahead; SCC voted in favour of devolution; Highways England responsible for carrying out the recent traffic count in Brandon; positive conversations with

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Network Rail regarding support for a bridge over the level crossing; a 100-foot tree with swelling from the base to be surveyed by the Tree Officer.

Cllr. G Hughes said with little response to date regarding parking within the town, he would defer writing to SALC for a little longer.

7. ACCOUNTS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/25/04/Jul/16**

CARRIED: Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE PAYMENTS FOR JUNE 2016 AND ADDITIONALLY, AUTHORISES THE JULY ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID PRIOR TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

Date	Amount	Supplier	Chq No	Net	Vat
Jun-16	98.62	Arco Limited	105034	82.18	16.44
Jun-16	66.50	J & D Green	105035	66.50	
Jun-16	9.72	Travis Perkins	105036	8.10	1.62
Jun-16	48.00	Graham Smith	105037	40.00	8.00
Jun-16	11.40	Fengate Fasteners	105038	9.50	1.90
Jun-16	199.37	Finevale Services	105039	166.14	33.23
Jun-16	17.82	Lyreco	105040	14.85	2.97
Jun-16	117.06	Tindalls	105041	97.56	19.50
Jun-16	8.34	Cooleraid	105042	6.95	1.39
Jun-16	260.27	Stannah Lifts	105043	216.89	43.38
Jun-16	750.00	Peter Brighton	105044	750.00	

8. CLERK'S REPORT

Contents noted.

A report from the Squadron Leader was now heard.

5. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM RAF LAKENHEATH

There may be a surge in flying activity over the next few weeks but it is envisaged this will quieten down during the summer months; a trial Families Event is to held at Feltwell Base; four-day holiday for personnel to celebrate 4th July; houses being chalk marked in Little Eriswell for possible break-ins?

9. BRANDON FLAG

Resolution Record No. **BTC/26/04/Jul/16**

CARRIED: Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES TO ADOPT THE BRANDON TOWN FLAG.

10. MICROPHONE FOR THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

Cllr. T Simmons and Cllr. I Horner to investigate a microphone and speaker system to be operated in the Chamber during Town Council meetings.

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11. PLANNING

Resolution Record No. **BTC/27/04/Jul/16**

CARRIED: Unanimous.

THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPOINTS CLLR. ROGER BURROWS TO THE TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING PANEL.

12. NINE STILES WALK

Date agreed as Sunday 7 August 2016. Meet at The Orchard, Coulson Lane at 2.00pm.

13. CEMETERY AND TOWN INSPECTION

Date agreed for Monday 1 August at 7.00pm. Cllr. V Lukaniuk requested The Avenue be included in the inspection (optional).

14. TOWN BUS

Resolution from Cllr. P Ridgwell that Brandon Town Council **supports** the provision of a town bus enabling residents from Brandon to visit the proposed new cinema in Thetford. Seconded by Cllr. T Simmons. An amendment was motioned by Cllr. N Vant, seconded by Cllr. G Hughes that Brandon Town Council **investigates** the provision of a town bus enabling residents from Brandon to visit the proposed new cinema in Thetford.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/28/04/Jul/16**

AMENDMENT CARRIED: Unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned for a five-minute comfort break.

15. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/29/04/Jul/16**

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.

16. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

Of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 6 June 2016 and the Extraordinary Meeting of Wednesday 22 June 2016.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/30/04/Jul/16**

CARRIED: Unanimous.

THAT THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 6 JUNE 2016 AND THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 2016 BE APPROVED.

17. STAFFING MATTER

Resolution Record No. **BTC/31/04/Jul/16**

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