

FINEDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town Council Wednesday 25 May 2022 6.45pm

Present: Cllr Terry Kendall-Torry (Chairman), Malcolm Ward, Jim Wrigley, Neil Done, Neil Forster, Lynette Kendall-Torry, Laurence Harper, Susan Drake Tab Goodes, Jonathan Ekins, Jeff Piggott and Paul Rothe

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1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Annual Town Meeting held by the Town Council. The Chairman provided an annual report on the Council's activities and successes in the last year and thanked all members/staff of the Council for their contributions, especially during the Covid-19 pandemic.
2. A member of the public informed the Council, North Northamptonshire Council has imputed the wrong address on a planning application. A member of the public asked where the funds from Wellingborough Borough Council has gone to now that it ceases to exists.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 18.57pm.

Signed: _____

Chairman

Dated: 13 July 2022

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- 1/22-23 Cllr Terry Kendall-Torry was appointed as Chairman following a vote and Cllr Neil Done was appointed as Vice-Chairman following a vote.
- 2/22-23 The Chairman and Vice-Chairman completed the Acceptance of Office forms in the presence of the Clerk.
- 3/22-23 Apologies for Absence were accepted from Cllr Andrew Weatherill
- 4/22-23 There were no declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct
- 5/22-23 The Minutes of the Meetings of the Town Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20 April 2022 were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman
- 6/22-23 No members of the public addressed the Council
- 7/22-23 The Council reviewed & adopted of the Standing Orders & Financial Regulations
- 8/22-23 The Council reviewed & adopted of the Code of Conduct
- 9/22-23 The Council reviewed & adopted of the Committees Terms of Reference. The following Cllrs were appointed:
Staffing Committee – Malcolm Ward, Sue Drake and Jonathan Ekins
Planning Committee – Terry Kendall-Torry, Jim Wrigley, Neil Done and Paul Rothe
- 10/22-23 The Council appointed members to the following Working Groups:
Strategic Planning: Terry Kendall-Torry, Neil Done, Malcolm Ward, Sue Drakes, Jim Wrigley, Neil Forster
Open Spaces: Neil Done (Lead), Laurence Harper, Lynette Kendall-Torry and Jeff Piggott.
Community/Communications: Sue Drakes (Lead), Andrew Weatherill, Tab Goodes and Lynette Kendall-Torry.
Highways: Jim Wrigley (Lead) and Tab Goodes
Maintenance: Neil Forster (Lead) and Paul Rothe
GP Provision: Jim Wrigley (Lead)
- 11/22-23 The Council reappointed Cllr Jim Wrigley as the Police Liaison Representative
- 12/22-23 **Community Matters**
a) Cllr Sue Drake updated the Council on the Queen's Jubilee celebrations and confirmed everything was in order, she thanked all those involved. Cllr Laurence Harper offered to attend First Aid training, Clerk to make enquiries.
b) The Council reviewed and adopted the risk assessment for the funfair in Tainty Field for the Queen's Jubilee.
c) The Council considered the request from Salvatores Restaurant for outdoor dining on the green and agreed to adjourn any decision making until the next meeting. Cllr Paul Rothe agreed to obtain advice and will update the Council thereafter.
- 13/22-23 **Open Spaces**
a) The Council considered the tenders for the ad-hoc maintenance worker and **resolved** to proceed with Clarendon Buildings Ltd.
b) There was no further updates on the CCTV proposal.

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- c) The Council considered and **resolved** to approve the request for a knife amnesty box being installed in Finedon.

14/22-23

Planning Applications

NW/22/00253/FUL - 70 Hayden Avenue – no objection

NW/22/00256/FUL – 8 Regent Street – The Council objects to this planning application for the following reasons:

- Insufficient parking
- Overdevelopment of the area
- Does not maintain the current characteristics of the area

If the application is approved, would it be possible to ask the developer if Affleck Bridge could be marginally widened - just a foot or so would be fine.

NW/22/00263/LBC - 46 Church Hill – no objection

NW/22/00331/FUL – 7 Ewenfield Road - no objection

15/22-23

Finance

- a. The Council received the Financial Reports, Receipts & Bank Reconciliation to 25.05.2022
- b. The Council considered & approved the payments due up to 25 May 2022
- c. The Council received the Internal Control report from Cllr Susan and appointed Cllr Tab Goodes to complete the next checks.
- d. The Council considered & approved the monthly Standing Orders and Direct Debits for the year: Salary, Pension, Grounds Maintenance, Water, Mobile Phone, Barclaycard & Printer.
- e. The Council **resolved** to increasing the Chairmans allowance to £150 for this financial year.

16/22-23

Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) 2021/2022

- a. The Internal Auditor's Report for the year 2021-22 was considered and the Council **resolved** to accept the report.
- b. The Annual Governance Statement for the year 2021-22 was considered and affirmations made. The Chairman and Clerk signed Section 1 of the AGAR.
- c. The Accounting Statements for the year 2021-22 were considered. It was **resolved** to approve them and the Chairman of the meeting signed Section 2 of the AGAR.

17/22-23

The Council considered and approved the insurance policy schedule.

18/22-23

Report from Jonathan Ekins and Malcolm Ward NNC was noted.

19/22-23

The Clerk's Roundup Report was noted.

20/22-23

Round Table Comments for Report Only

Cllr Lynette Kendall-Torry reported she plans to host another community litter picking event in the summer.

Cllr Jim Wrigley reported that motorbike users are using the alley ways on Sibley Road and suggested kissing would be beneficial to solve this issue. Clerk to speak to NNC.

Date of Next Meeting 13 July 2022

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.15pm.

Signed: _____

Chairman

Dated: 13 July 2022