

Brandon Town Council  
Monday 5 June 2017

## **BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Full Brandon Town Council Meeting

Held on Monday 5 June 2017 in the Council Chamber, The Old School House, Market Hill, Brandon at 7.00pm.

**Present:** Cllr R Brabbs, Cllr P Callaghan, Cllr P Etherington, Cllr I Horner, Cllr V Lukaniuk, Cllr P MacLoughlin, Cllr D Palmer, Cllr P Ridgwell, Cllr R Silvester, Cllr T Simmons, Cllr N Vant

**Also present:** Members of the public

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm with a minute silence in memory of those that lost their lives in the recent atrocities.

Vice Chairman Cllr Ian Horner took the chair.

Cllr R Silvester requested named votes, which was agreed.

### **1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND SIGNING OF CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE**

Nominations were invited for the post of Chairman of Brandon Town Council.

It was proposed by Cllr N Vant and seconded by Cllr P Ridgwell that Cllr P Callaghan be elected.

Cllr P Callaghan was elected as Chairman by 10 votes ( RB, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV), 1 against (TS), 1 abstention (RS)

Resolution Record No. **BTC/10/05/June /17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote.

**THAT CLLR PETER CALLAGHAN BE ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2017/18.**

Cllr P Callaghan thanked members for their support.

### **2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman called for nominations for the post of Vice-Chairman of Brandon Town Council.

It was proposed by Cllr N Vant and seconded by Cllr D Palmer that Cllr I Horner be elected. There being no other nominations, Cllr I Horner was elected.

Resolution Record No. **BTC/11/05/June /17**

**CARRIED:** By unanimous vote.

**THAT CLLR IAN HORNER BE ELECTED VICE-CHAIRMAN OF BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2017/18**

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**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** and approval of reasons tendered.  
Cllr G Hughes

It was proposed the Cllr N Vant be appointed temporary Proper Officer.  
Proposed by Cllr P Callaghan and seconded by Cllr V Lukaniuk.  
(For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV against RS, TS)

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** and additions to Members Register of Interests.  
Cllr P Etherington – Ground Staff  
Cllr D Palmer – Allotment Holder

**5. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES** of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 11 April 2017.

For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV, 1 against TS, 1 abstention RS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/12/05/June /17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 11 APRIL 2017 BE APPROVED**

**6. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN MINUTES** of the Brandon Town Council Meeting of Monday 8 May 2017.

(For RB, PC, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV, 1 against TS, 1 abstention RS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/13/05/June /17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 8 MAY 2017 BE APPROVED**

**7. TO REAFFIRM RESOLUTIONS TAKEN.**

(For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV, 1 against TS, 1 abstention RS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/14/05/June /17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote

**THAT THE RESOLUTIONS TAKEN BE APPROVED**

**8. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM RAF LAKENHEATH**

No report.

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### **9. PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr Bishop thanked 'stand-ins', Cllr Palmer for all his work for the Brandon Day Care Centre, pointed out that the Brandon Town Council minutes and names of councillors on the website was not up to date. Asked about traffic light numbers and whether anyone had looked at the traffic through Brandon. Cllr Lukaniuk said he had arranged a meeting at County to discuss the matter.

The council were asked if something could be done to the flower planters in Thetford Road, why there were no market stalls, weeds in the Bury Road car park.

The question of what function the town council served, the negativity of two of the councillors was questioned and why they did not stand down.

What was happening with the new cemetery, access to it and the one way system in Church Road.

A representative of the Allotments Association requested that they take over the management of the allotments.

Thanks were expressed for the Carnival and the re-opening of the Heritage Centre, a very successful day.

The Orchard and Coulson Lane footpath were a problem and the police had been called as a resident had been assaulted. The council asked for proposals to manage the Orchard and would welcome suggestions at the next meeting. Mrs Barnes made some suggestions for the hedging.

On behalf of the Heritage Centre Trustees and management Mr Skinner reported that 250 people had been through last Sunday and they had donations amounting to £400.

It was asked if Portas money could not be used with Brandon in Bloom to improve the town.

**10. TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORTS** from County and District Councillors, Community Group Representatives.

Cllr Lukaniuk had submitted two reports as District Councillor and County Councillor.

**11. URGENT BUSINESS** None.

**12. RESOLUTION from Cllr Peter Callaghan No 199**

Moved to Confidential

**13. RESOLUTION from Cllr David Palmer No 200**

For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV, 2 abstentions TS, RS

Resolution Record No. **BTC/15/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote

**THAT BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES A S137 REQUEST FOR  
£1,500 FOR THE BRANDON DAY CARE CENTRE MINIBUS APPEAL**

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**14. RESOLUTION from Cllr David Palmer No 201**

Resolution Record No. **BTC/16/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous

**BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL AUTHORISES CLLR PALMER AND AN ASSISTANT TO ADJUST THE TOWN HALL CLOCK TWICE A YEAR TO BRITISH SUMMER TIME AND GREENWICH MEAN TIME**

**15. RESOLUTION from Cllr Peter Callaghan No 202**

Cllr Palmer expressed an interest.

It was agreed to formally ask Brandon Remembrance Playing Fields.

For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV,RS, 1 abstention TS,

Resolution Record No. **BTC/17/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote

**BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF THE MANAGEMENT OF THE ALLOTMENTS, INCLUDING FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TO THE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION**

**16. RESOLUTION from Cllr Victor Lukaniuk No 203**

For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP RS, TS, NV, against PR

Resolution Record No. **BTC/18/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote

**BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES TO FORM A COMMITTEE OF CLLRS LUKANIUK, MACLOUGHLIN AND VANT TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF RELINQUISHING THE OWNERSHIP OF THE LODGE**

**17. RESOLUTION from Cllr Victor Lukaniuk No 204**

Resolution Record No. **BTC/19/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:** Unanimous

**BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES TO ELIMINATE THE HYDRATION BAGS AT THE ORCHARD IN COULSON LANE AND RESORT TO MORE TRADITIONAL METHODS OF WATERING**

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**18. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Resolution Record No. **BTC/20/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:**

*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.*

**19. TO RECEIVE, CONFIRM AND SIGN THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

of the Brandon Town Council meeting of Monday 8th May 2017.

Proposed by Cllr Ian Horner, Seconded by Cllr Victor Lukaniuk

Resolution Record No. **BTC/21/05/June/17**

**CARRIED:** For RB, PC, PE, IH, VL, PM, DP, PR, NV, against TS, RS

**THAT THE CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE BRANDON TOWN  
COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017 BE APPROVED**

**20. STAFFING MATTERS**

The meeting closed at 9.26 pm

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