



Newmarket

T O W N C O U N C I L

Minutes of the Meeting of the Newmarket Town Council
held on Monday, 23rd February 2009 at 5.45 pm
at the Memorial Hall, High Street, Newmarket, Suffolk, CB8 8JP

Attendance :

Councillor C Turner, Town Mayor	Councillor R Fletcher
Councillor W Burch	Councillor P Hulbert
Councillor Mrs J Bailey	Councillor W Hirst
Councillor K Bovill	Councillor M Jefferys (from 6.50 pm)
Councillor C Brighty (from 7.03 pm)	Councillor R Millar
Councillor G Cole	Councillor J Richer
Councillor A Drummond	Councillor Mrs J Uney
Councillor G Jaggard	

Also Present: Isabelle Barrett –Town Clerk, Rosemary Foreman – Minute Assistant,
2 Members of the Press, 2 Members of the Public (from 7.00 pm)

	Minute	Action by
09/02/1	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) & (2)</u> Apologies were received from Councillor W Sadler.	
09/02/2	<u>ABSENT – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) & (2)</u> Councillor D Hudson was absent.	
09/02/3	<u>DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS & CONSIDER UPDATE OF REGISTER OF INTEREST – LGA 2000 Part III (Order 2001)</u> None noted.	
09/02/4	<u>TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29th JANUARY 09 – LGA 1972, Schedule 12, para 41(2)</u> 09/01/7 Item 13 paragraph 4 – amend name to <i>Mr Richard Frisby</i> . 09/01/7 Item 16 paragraph 1 – amend name to <i>Mr John Perry</i> . With these amendments, the Town Mayor signed the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 29 th January 09 as a correct record.	
09/02/5	<u>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 29th JANUARY 09</u> None noted.	

09/02/6 **AN INVITATION TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PUT QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS OF NOT MORE THAN 3 MINUTES DURATION RELATING TO ITEMS LISTED IN THE PUBLIC PART OF THE AGENDA ONLY – LGA 1972, Section 100(1)**

No members of the public were present at this part of the meeting.

09/02/7 **CO-OPTION INTERVIEWS**

Five applicants were interviewed for the position of co-opted Councillor for the Severals Ward.

09/02/8 **CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR FOR SEVERALS WARD- LGA 1972 s 89 & LGA 1972, schedule 12 para 39**

Following a proposal by Councillor Millar, it was agreed that a record of the number of votes received by each candidate should not be in the public domain. In accordance with LGA 1972 schedule 12 para 39 the voting took place.

09/02/8.01 Resolved

That in accordance with LGA 1972 s89, Mr Glenn Edge be elected to serve as a co-opted member of the Council for Severals Ward.

09/02/9 **TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councillors noted that the Town Mayor had attended the following:

Trinity Rooms, Ipswich – High Sheriff's justice lecture, Lord Justice Toulson

Ely – Mayor of Ely's charity ball

09/02/10 **REPORT FROM NEWMARKET POLICE REPRESENTATIVE**

There was no Police representative present. Councillors received the crime statistics from April 08-January 09 but made no comments.

09/02/11 **REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

None noted. In reply to a question from Councillor Turner regarding free swimming for under 16's and over 60's, Councillor Jaggard agreed to seek information on when this would be implemented.

09/02/12 **REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

None noted.

09/02/13 **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE MEMORIAL HALL REGENERATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 10th FEBRUARY 09**

Councillor Burch presented the minutes of the Memorial Hall Regeneration Committee held on 10th February 09.

Cllr Jaggard – confirmed that FHDC will be implementing free swimming for under 16s & over 60s. For further info please contact Leisure Centre

09/02/13.01 Resolved

That in accordance with Public Works Loan Act 1965, s2, the Town Clerk obtain a quote for the annual repayments of a Public Works Loan of £500,000.

09/02/13.02 Resolved

That the Town Clerk write to FHDC and ask why the grant application was considered in private.

09/02/13.03 Resolved

That Councillor Hirst investigate the possibility of a smaller grant from FHDC.

09/02/13.04 Resolved

That the possibility of grants from the private sector be investigated.

09/02/13.05 Resolved

That Section 106 be put on large future developments for investment into local projects.

Letter mailed to Mr Burnip

Cllr Hirst reported back at M Hall Meeting on 10.03.09

Several funding possibilities were explored at 10.03.09 M Hall Meeting

09/02/14

TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE HELD ON 16th FEBRUARY 09

Councillor Bailey presented the minutes of the Finance & Policy Committee held on 16th February 09.

09/02/14.01 Resolved

That the schedules for payments relating to the period 1.1.09-31.1.09 be received and adopted.

09/02/14.02 Resolved

That in accordance with the Value Added Tax Act 1994, s42, the Town Council aim to obtain Public Notice 742A 'Opting to tax land and building' and register VAT only for the Severals.

In working progress

09/02/14.03 Resolved

That Town Clerk write to Inspector Clifton regarding the lack of communication between businesses, the CCTV Centre and the Police and invite Inspector Clifton to give a verbal report to the next meeting of the Town Council.

Cllr Bailey agreed to raise this at her meeting with Inspector Clifton

09/02/14.04 Resolved

That Councillor Hirst ask the SNT if they would like to send a representative to the CleanUp Newmarket Campaign meetings.

Cllr Hirst dealt with this

09/02/14.05 Resolved

That a meeting be held between representatives of the Town Council and Newmarket schools to explore ways in which they could work together. Items for discussion on the Agenda would

Cllr Turner

include:

**Council Representatives at school Youth Councils
Memorial Gardens – consultation re play equipment
Citizenship – role of the Town Council
Art & Writing Competitions**

09/02/14.06 Resolved

That the following meetings should be held on Monday, 9th March 09:

**5.45 pm – 6.30 pm Employment & Staffing Committee
6.30 pm – 7.15 pm Special combined meeting of the Community
Services & Leisure Services Committees related
to 2012 Olympics – Mr Adam Baker to be
invited to attend
7.15 pm Leisure Services Committee**

All meetings were held at the resolved time

09/02/14.07 Resolved

That in accordance with the Audit and Accounts Regulations 2006 4 (1) & 4 (2), the schedule of Risk Assessments of Financial Key Risks facing the Town Council dated 01.02.2009 be adopted.

Noted

09/02/14.08 Resolved

That in accordance with LGA 1908 s26(1), the tender submitted by Ballard & Turner for repairs to the road at the Field Terrace Road allotments be accepted.

Letter mailed to Ballard & Turner

09/02/14.09 Resolved

That the schedules of payments for Staff Salaries for the month of January 09 (Cashbook 3) be received and adopted.

Noted

Councillors Hirst, Drummond, Jaggard and Millar declared an interest in the next item and left the meeting.

09/02/15 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16th FEBRUARY 09

Councillor Fletcher presented the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee meeting held on 16th February 09.

09/02/15.01 Resolved

That the minutes of the Development & Planning Committee meeting held on 16th February 09 be accepted.

Councillors Hirst, Drummond, Jaggard and Millar rejoined the meeting.

09/02/16 **TO APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE TOWN COUNCIL TO THE EMPLOYMENT & STAFFING COMMITTEE**

The Council noted that Councillor Millar had resigned from the Employment & Staffing Committee due to other commitments and after a vote the following resolution was agreed:

09/02/16.01 Resolved

That Councillor P Hulbert be appointed as a member of the Employment & Staffing Committee.

Noted and added on E&S Agenda list

09/02/17 **UPDATE ON TOWN MAYOR'S CIVIC RECEPTION**

Councillor Turner advised that arrangements were in hand for his Civic Reception on 6th March and were being co-ordinated by Kay Dawson.

09/02/18 **UPDATE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW**

Councillors noted the letter from the Boundary Committee and Councillor Hirst confirmed that further draft proposals would be published on 19th March for discussion and consultation until 14th May. With Parliament in Recess until October, it was unlikely that new Unitary Authorities would be set up before May 2011.

Councillor Millar advised that should a General Election result in a change of government, the Unitary process could be stopped.

09/02/19 **RESPONSES RECEIVED FROM LOCAL NEWSPAPERS**

Councillors noted the replies from the Johnston Press and Cambridge Newspapers regarding proposed staff cuts and Town Clerk advised that Cambridge Newspapers had invited up to 12 people to visit their printing facility for the Newmarket Weekly News.

The representatives of the Press thanked the Council for their support and advised that staff and union meetings were taking place but the situation remained unclear.

09/02/19.01 Resolved

That Councillors Bailey, Bovill, Brighty, Fletcher, Hirst, Uney and Turner, together with the Town Clerk, visit the Cambridge Newspapers printing facility – Town Clerk to arrange.

Advised Erika to deal with this – awaiting confirmation of date

09/02/20 **MEMBERSHIP OF STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS REMUNERATION PANEL**

Councillors noted that FHDC were seeking independent members on their Standards Committee and Members' Remuneration Panel.

09/02/21 **REPORT(S) FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS ELECTED AS REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES**

None noted.

09/02/22 WARD REPORT(S) FROM TOWN COUNCILLORS

None noted.

09/02/23 TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE

None noted:

09/02/24 TO CONSIDER ANY LICENSING ISSUES RAISED WITH THE COUNCIL

None noted.

09/02/25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 23rd March 2009 at 7.00 pm

09/02/26 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC

With the vote being unanimous, it was

09/02/26.01 Resolved

That, under section 100a(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as prescribed in Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 and indicated against each item and, in all circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

The business of the meeting concluded at 7.23 pm.

Signed : _____

Date : _____