



**STAINFORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON**  
**TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2023 AT**  
**6.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.**



**PRESENT:** Cllr. D. Bowling, in the chair.

Councillors: Mrs. A. Abbott, K. Allsopp, P. Bedford, W.S.Q. Cook, Mrs. L. Crosby, A. Flynn, Ms. C. Lunney, D. Marshall, Mrs. C. Ruane, Mrs. A. Sylvester, Mr. J. Thompson, the Town Clerk, Mrs. K. Evans.

Also present: Public x 3

1. **TO NOTE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE.**  
RESOLVED that the following be accepted:  
Cllr. Mrs. S. Allsopp Ms. S. Farmer.
2. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS.**  
Cllr. Mrs. C. Ruane declared an interest in item 5(b) and Cllr. D. Marshall in item 8(a).
3. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETING:**  
RESOLVED that the following be approved:
  - (a) Town Council meeting held on 17.10.2023.
  - (b) Recreation meeting held on 14.11.2023.
4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** None received.
5. **TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS.** Listed on a separate sheet and RESOLVED that they be approved.
  - (a) Phoenix Social Club – Request for donation. RESOLVED that a donation of £200 be granted under S137 Powers.
  - (b) To consider donation amount to St. Marys PCC in the name of Mrs. Ruane’s work in The Park. RESOLVED that press & public be excluded, Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960. Agreed that a donation of £1000.00 be made to the PCC. Cllr. Thompson agreed to top this amount up by £250.00. Thanks to J. Thompson for his kind gesture.
6. **TO CONSIDER CEMETERY MATTERS.**
  - (a) To recap on Remembrance Service 2023.  
It was reported that the Remembrance Service at the Cenotaph was successful and that thank you letters had been sent out to those involved. The poppies placed on lampposts were well received. An issue was raised whereby the refreshments were distributed (in error) prior to the service rather than following it. It was agreed that a parade for next years event should be considered, including traffic management, along with a band if possible. It was noted that compliments had been received regarding the maintenance of the Cemetery. Noted.
7. **TO CONSIDER ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE.** None received.

Signed.....Signed.....Mayor, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

8. **TO CONSIDER PLANNING MATTERS.**  
23/02173/COU – Change of use of agricultural land to a caravan site, to provide 6 plots for residential accommodation for Gypsy/Traveller Families. Part Retrospective and resubmission of planning application 23/00733/COU refused 22.08.2023) on Land Adjacent to Stainforth Allotments. No objection.
9. **TO REPORT ON POLICE MATTERS.** Nothing to discuss.
10. **TO CONSIDER WELFARE GROUND MATTERS**  
(a) To discuss request from Stainforth Juniors to reinstate a pitch on the dog walking area and consider replacement container if needed.  
Following a discussion members agreed to reinstate a football pitch on to the dog walking area providing Stainforth Juniors contribute 50/50 to the new goal posts and nets that would be required. Clerk to liaise with the team. Clerk to obtain a quote to move the containers to the other side of the pavilion and remove the damaged one.
11. **TO CONSIDER HIGHWAYS MATTERS.**  
It was noted that the footpath on Ramskir View still has not been fixed. Clerk to chase DMBC for an update.  
It was also noted that the pedestrian crossing on Church Road is progressing.
12. **TO DISCUSS MAYOR'S CHARITY.** Nothing to report.
13. **TO DISCUSS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN/NDO.** Cllr. Bedford reported that more funding of circa £11,000.00 has been obtained which will go direct to Pegasus towards the work required in implementing the recommendations made by DMBC. Noted.
14. **TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM WARD COUNCILLORS.** Not in attendance.
15. **TO RECEIVE TOWNS DEAL REPORT.** Public Realm improvements are underway and compliments were made on the new footpaths. Members raised concerns over the minuting of meetings at Towns Deal Board. It was agreed to make the TC's feelings known to the chair of the board. The Clerk to invite Mr. Roe to a meeting with the TC in the new year. Noted.
16. **TO DISCUSS THE PARK.** Work is progressing well. Noted.
17. **TO RECEIVE BYE-ELECTION RESULTS 16.11.2023.** Noted. Welcome to both new councillors.
18. **TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR DISQUALIFICATION & NOTE VACANCY ARISEN.** Noted. Clerk to notify DMBC of the vacancy.
19. **TO NOTE REARRANGING OF ICE-RINK TO AUGUST 2024.** The Clerk confirmed that the CRC have rearranged the date of the ice-rink to 24th August 2024. Following a discussion it was agreed to create a working party to plan the event on the recreation ground. Members of the working party are:  
Cllrs. D. Bowling, Mrs. L. Crosby, A. Flynn, Ms. C. Lunney, Mrs. C. Ruane, J. Thompson.

Signed.....Mayor, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

20. **TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING** – confirmed as **TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023** at 6:00pm in the Town Council Chamber.

There being nothing further to discuss the meeting was declared closed at 8:00pm.

Signed.....Mayor, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

5. **ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS.****BACS payments made between 1.10.2023 – 31.10.2023:**

DMBC	Non-Dom Rates, Cem	202.00
DMBC	Non-Dom Rates, Pav	159.00
Cathedral Leasing Limited	Bathroom services, Office	77.98
Blachere Illuminations UK Ltd	Install, Removal & Storage of Christmas Lights 2023	1,999.20
DMBC	Refuse collection, Office - 1.10.23-31.12.23	104.00
HMRC	M6 Conts	1,589.19
Aries Networks	Broadband/Porting Install Charge	90.00
Chubb Fire & Security Ltd	Annual Maintenance, Cem	203.71
Thorpe Plumbing & Heating Ltd	Supply & Fit Water Heater and Toilet Repairs, Pav	678.00
K. Evans	Workboots, Cem	50.00
Royal British Legion Trading Ltd	Lamppost poppies	462.50
Npower	Elec, Archive Storage	34.34
Aries Networks	Cloud Backup Services & Microsoft	67.20
Aries Networks	Phone & Broadband, Cem	39.54
Aries Networks	Phone & Broadband, Office	52.74
Mrs. J. Hepworth	Accountancy Fees	52.00
Various	M7 Sals	9,259.61

Signed.....Mayor, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023.