MINUTES of the FULL COUNCIL MEETING of FAKENHAM TOWN COUNCIL

held at the PRICE OF WALES SUITE, FAKENHAM RACECOURSE, on TUESDAY 15th February 2022 at 6:00pm

PRESENT:

Councillor G Foortse (Chairman, Presiding)

Cllrs: M Campbell, V Joslin, J Holdom, M Dutton, D Andrews, M Coates, J Rockett, J

Griffiths, A Glynn, G Acheson, T Duffy, G Thorpe, D Hunter

Deputy Town Clerk: A Kerrison
District Councillors: C Cushing
County Councillor: T Fitzpatrick

Police: None

Press: A McMillan (EDP)

Public: None

		Action (initials)		
AGENDA				
206	TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM FAKENHAM POLICE No Police were present, and no report was sent.			
207	TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM FAKENHAM POLICE A member of the public has asked if something can be done about the state of the car park at Aldiss Park. It was agreed that this is a matter for an FRGC meeting, Cllr Duffy will also speak to the businesses who share the entrance to that area to see if they would be willing to contribute toward the cost of repairing the roadway.	TD		
208	TO RECEIVE ANY REPORTS FROM DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLORS Cllr Fitzpatrick – sent a report which is to be circulated to all Councillors. He updated the meeting on the levelling up and County deals for the County, COVID-19 trusted sources information, energy price caps, Norfolk and Waveney CCG, national apprenticeship week and children services. Cllr Cushing – Reminded the Council that comments on the Local plan need to be submitted by the end of the month. It was noted that FTC have already submitted their comments. The head of the Community first responders in the area are looking to recruit more volunteers. Cllr Cushing was asked when work on the new toilets on Queens Road car park is likely to start. This will take place between March and August. Cllr Fitzpatrick was asked when the Setts are going to be replaced on Upper Market. Cllr Fitzpatrick will chase this. He asked that individuals report any missing or damaged setts via the NCC website. Cllr Fitzpatrick was asked about the library wall. He will chase this. Cllrs Fitzpatrick and Cushing left the meeting.	TF TF		

209	TO CONSIDER FOR ACCEPTANCE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.	
	Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Bucknell and the	
	Clerk.	
210	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	Cllr Holdom declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 14 on the agenda.	
211	TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 18th JANUARY	
	and 1 st and 8 th FEBRUARY 2022	
	211.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 18 th January 2022 were on the	
	proposition of Cllr Foortse and seconded by Cllr Coates, AGREED, and signed	
	by the Chairman.	
	211.2 The minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2022 were on the	
	proposition of Cllr Coates and seconded by Cllr Joslin, AGREED, and signed by	
	the Chairman.	
	211.3 The minutes of the meeting held on 8 th February 2022 were on the	
	proposition of Cllr Coates and seconded by Cllr Joslin, AGREED, and signed by	
	the Chairman.	
212	TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON ACTIONS TAKEN AFTER THE LAST COUNCIL	
	MEETING IF THESE MATTERS ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA	
	To approve the funding of the heritage trail booklet – On the proposition of	
	Cllr Glynn, seconded by Cllr Acheson and agreed by all, that the cost of printing	
040	the Heritage trail booklet should be approved.	
213	TO FILL ONE COUNCILLOR VACANCY BY CO-OPTION	
04.4	There were no applicants.	
214	TO RECEIVE THE MAYORS' ANNOUNCEMENTS	
	27th January – with Cllr Glynn met with Paul Stobart from Kinnertons	
	1st February – with Cllr Glynn met with the acting head of the Fakenham Academy and the CEO of the Sapientia Trust.	
	3 rd February – with Cllrs Hunter and Campbell met with Bob Moorhouse, to	
	discuss sporting facilities in the Town.	
	17 th February – with Cllr Glynn will meet Michael Gurney, the High Sherriff of	
	Norfolk, for a tour of the Town.	
	25 th February – with Cllr Glynn will meet with Jerome Mayhew MP.	
215	TO RECEIVE ANY REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS WHO HAVE	
	ATTENDED MEETINGS OUTSIDE THE COUNCIL	
	Cllr Hunter met with Natural England Officers by the river regarding clearing	
	away the debris, and flooding.	
	Cllr Joslin attended the Fakenham gardening club. There is to be a spring	
	gardening fayre on 2 nd April.	
	Cllr Glynn, with Cllrs Acheson and Hunter met with the architect re Council	
	accommodation.	
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	Cllr Foortse asked Cllrs to think what lasting memorial could be put in place to commemorate Her Majesty the Queens Platinum Jubilee and bring ideas to the	
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	next meeting.	
	Cllr Campbell, a member of the Fakenham Events Committee, outlined the	
	plans the committee have for the Towns celebrations. These include a street	
	picnic with food venders and entertainment in the centre of Town, a fun	
	afternoon with live music, food venders and craft stalls on Millennium Park.	
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216	DECISION LOG AND CLERKS REPORT	
	The Log was discussed and updated.	

217	TO RECEIVE AND COMMENT UPON ANY ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND	
	ACTION	
	These were noted.	
218	TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT & MARKET COMMITTEE ON 24 th JANUARY AND 7 TH FEBRUARY 2022 218.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 24 th January 2022 were moved for reception and adoption by Cllr Duffy Seconded by Cllr Campbell and agreed unanimously. 218.2 The minutes of the meeting held on 7 th February 2022 were moved for reception and adoption by Cllr Duffy Seconded by Cllr Thorpe and agreed	
	unanimously.	
219	 TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ON 25TH JANUARY 2022 219.1 As the minutes of the meeting held on 25th January 2022 were moved for reception and adoption by Cllr Griffiths Seconded by Cllr Coates and agreed unanimously. The following items were approved for immediate purchase; The Council purchases a Makita brushless angle grinder and spare battery at an approximate cost of £265.00. The Council purchases a 4-stroke petrol hedge trimmer with attachment at an approximate cost of £800.00. A security container is sourced at a maximum cost of £250.00. The Clerk and Cllr Rockett were given delegated authority to purchase this as soon as possible. 	
	It was agreed that 3 estimates must be obtained for the hedge trimmer as the	
220	cost is over £500. FINANCIAL MATTERS	
	220.1 To receive and approve Fakenham Town Council & Charter Market Receipts & Payments January 2022 On the proposition of Cllr Holdom, seconded by Cllr Andrews, RESOLVED to receive and approve the receipts and payments of the accounts as reviewed by the finance committee for January2022. 220.2 To receive and approve Fakenham Town Council & Charter Market Consolidated Bank reports for January 2022 On the proposition of Cllr Holdom, seconded by Cllr Glynn, RESOLVED to receive and approve the consolidated bank reports as reviewed by the finance committee for January 2022. 220.3 To Receive Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting held 7 th February 2022 The minutes of the meeting held on 7 th February 2022, including updated and reviewed Finance Regulations, Nest Pension and Reserves policies, were moved for reception and adoption by Cllr Holdom, seconded by Cllr Dutton and agreed unanimously. 220.4 To Receive Finance Team Report. There was nothing further to add.	
221	TO AWARD A GRANT UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, S137 Under the provisions of Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 the following expenditure should be incurred which, in the opinion of the Council is in the interests of the area of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure: a) Priscilla Bacon Hospice On the proposition of Cllr Acheson, seconded by Cllr Holdom and agreed by all to award £500.00 to Priscilla Bacon Lodge Hospice.	

222	TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM EP YOUTH The report was received and accepted, and the next tranche of payment approved. Cllr Holdom thanked the Council on behalf of EP Youth.	
223	TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON HIGHFIELD ROAD CAR PARK. An email has been received from NNDC acknowledging FTC's response to the suggestion that Highfield Road car park may be developed to provide affordable housing. Cllr Rockett informed the meeting that he had had a reply from NNDC following his Freedom of information request to find out the cost of laying the new surface in the car park. This was £141,000.	
224	TO RECEIVE FURTHER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA Her Majesty the Queens Platinum Jubilee memorial	
225	TO MOVE THAT THE PUBLIC & PRESS BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1(2) OF THE PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960. On the proposition of Cllr Coates seconded by Cllr Campbell RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that Public & Press be excluded from the Meeting, as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the nature of the business to be transacted.	
226	TOWN COUNCIL ACCOMODATION The Council's accommodation was discussed.	
227	TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION On the proposition of Cllr Coates seconded by Cllr Foortse RESOLVED the Council moves into Open Session.	
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 19:10pm	
	Confirmed this day of 2022.	
	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	