

KIRTON IN LINDSEY ANNUAL TOWN ASSEMBLY 2008



MINUTES OF THE ASSEMBLY MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL 2008 AT 6.00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL

PRESENT – Cllrs. Frankish (in the chair), Tyzack, Ranyell, Bunker, Jenny Cripps (Town Clerk)NLC Cllr. Poole, Martin Hollingsworth, Janet Saunders, Neil Cook, Chris Walker, Evelyn Bunting, Martin Eccles, Andy Torn, Ann Wild, Tania Gray + Officer of Royal British Legion, Jim Bray and other residents of Kirton in Lindsey

1. **Apologies** Penny Hoey, Cllr. Boyd, Watson, Stamford, Bainbridge, Hinks, Geoff Cossey, Mick Cook and Margaret Rands

2. **Minutes of the Annual Town Assembly 2007**

These were accepted as a true record – Proposed Patrick Ranyell and seconded Martin Hollingsworth. Unanimous.

3. **Town Accounts for 2007/2008**

These were accepted – Proposed Martin Hollingsworth and Seconded Brenda Tyzack - Unanimous

4. **Parochial Registered Charities**

The Green and Market Place

The Clerk reported that the Charity had been awarded a grant from the Local Network Fund which was organised by Humber and Wolds Rural Community Council. This grant of £3,125 was specifically to erect a Teen Shelter for the benefit of young people in Kirton in Lindsey.

The Green continued to benefit by maintenance paid for by KLTC and was well used by residents of all ages.

The problems with litter were, hopefully, going to improve with the addition of 3 new bins, but residents would need to encourage their young people to use them.

War Memorial and Garden of Edward Elmhirst Duckering

The Clerk reported that the War Memorial was as ever well maintained and the Remembrance Day service had once again been successful. The addition of the names was still under review.

Poor's Close Charity

The charity continued to receive a small but steady income from agricultural rent on land owned by the charity on Ings Road.

Kirton in Lindsey Society

Martin Hollingsworth reported that the membership of the Society was currently 80 and that they were celebrating their 20th Anniversary Year. Events included a celebrity lecture by Guy de la Bedoyere; a revival of the Kirton Plough Jag and also the custom of "Beating the Bounds".

The society had been successful in obtaining a grant for their Oral History Project and the production of the book and CD was well in hand.

Torksey Charity

Patrick Ranyell reported as Chairman of the Trustees.

Exhibition Foundation

Penny Hoey gave her apologies and her report was given by the Clerk.

Relief in Need

Margaret Rands gave her apologies and her report was given by the Clerk.

Women's Institute

Janet Saunders, Chair of the WI gave the report.

There are 32 paid up members who meet on the second Tuesday of each month. This year saw the 70th Anniversary, as the Kirton Branch was established in 1937, which was celebrated with a Birthday Tea. Ordinary meetings have excellent speakers and activities including boat trips and walks. Kirton is part of a group of local WIs and is a welcoming and friendly group.

Diamond Jubilee Town Hall Charity

Report given by Jenny Cripps on behalf of the Trustees and Friends of the Town Hall.

5. Fire Station Campaign

The Mayor reported that the Town had fought hard to keep the campaign going and thanked the Scunthorpe Telegraph for their continued support. The case for closing Kirton FS was the weakest and might be influenced by the need for the major upgrade needed by our FS.

Neil Cook spoke on behalf of the Fire Fighters. There had been a meeting between the Fire Brigade Union and the Fire Chief on 14th April . Two new fire fighters had been recruited. Call-outs to Hibaldstow, R.T.A.s, hose fires and the Chemical spillage at Epworth had been attended. Currently the percentage of attendance was up to 89%.

The Mayor thanked the Fire Fighters on behalf of the Town for all their hard work.

6. LIVES

Mick Cook sent his apologies. Chris Walker reported that since 1st of January 2008 they had received 70 call outs, including road traffic collisions, cardiac arrests, children's accidents and suicides. Kirton Lives has only 3 responders at present and they are responding to calls 24 hrs a day. Therefore, they are really struggling with work and other commitments. They are in need of more responders and were hoping that the council could help them find more recruits.

7. KLRP Report

Martin Hollingsworth reported as Chair. The group meet on a quarterly basis. They maintain the notice boards around the Town. They work with the Town Council and community to review the "Planning for Real" findings of 2002. Kirton in Lindsey Entertainment Organisation work to bring entertainment into the Town – latest production "Cool Britannia" which involves Red Cross and WI in a community activity. (See also Kirton in Lindsey Transport Partnership Item 9)

8. Evergreen Club

Evelyn Bunting reported on behalf of the group who meet every Tuesday afternoon in the Town Hall. They play whist and dominoes, have 4 trips per year and also a Christmas Dinner and Pantomime outing. Donations to keep the group going come from the "A" Team and KLTC.

9. Kirton in Lindsey Transport Partnership

Report by Martin Hollingsworth – the Kirton Klipper bus averages 13 passengers per day. The cost is supported by the KLTC. Christine Ranyell has been appointed as Project Manager. The Project is overseen by a transport group comprising of 2 members of KLRP and 2 members of the Town Council.

10. Kirton in Lindsey Amateur Gardeners

Martin Hollingsworth reported as Chair. The organisation is running well and the Annual Show was very successful. The group are looking forward to being part of Kirton in Bloom.

11. KLASSIC

Martin Eccles reported on behalf of the group which had formed 8 years ago to encourage and support sport in the community.

Planning Application had been successful and the group were now waiting for North Lincs. Highways to develop a plan for the road improvements needed. They thanked KLTC, NLC and residents of Kirton for all their support. The Mayor, on behalf of the Town, congratulated them on their success.

12. Junior Football Club

Andy Torn reported on behalf of the Club. It had been a successful year. One team had reached the Regional Finals and another the Regional Semi-Finals. They had 100 Junior members. They had secured the land belonging to Jack Tighes' land, which had been used as a cricket pitch, on a 10 year lease. They were hoping to raise the money to provide floodlights and an all weather training pitch, which would run in conjunction with the new sports field at the bottom of the hill. They had obtained funding for new goals and kit, also training kit and various other items. He thanked KLTC for their support and announced that the Annual Tournament would take place at the RAF Camp and the Presentation Night would be on May 11th at Huntcliff School.

13. + 17 United Mission Church of St Andrew and the Wesley Centre

Ann Wild reported on their behalf.

14. Kirton First

Jenny Cripps reported on behalf of the Editorial Committee.

15. Huntcliff School Report

None.

16. Kirton in Lindsey Primary School Report

None.

17. United Mission Church of St Andrew

See Item 13 above

18. Kirton in Lindsey Branch of the British Legion

Tania Gray reported on behalf of the Branch. They had just re-started the Branch, which meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Royal Oak. Local Recruiting Officer spoke to promote the Legion as it was the first branch to be opened in the L.,whole country for over 30 years. It was there to support serving members of the armed forces and their families, late and ex serving members and their families. They supported welfare schemes, re-settlement schemes; some fully funded, others partially funded. The branch need money for a new standard as the old standard does not have the Royal Insignia. The Legion now have associate members and a youth group.

19. Yorkshire in Bloom and Kirton in Bloom Competitions

Geoff Cossey gave his apologies and his report was given by the Clerk.

20. Seasonal Lights 2007

Jim Bray reported that the lighting had been reduced because of the need for economy. Lights are more expensive because of the new H&S legislation. There were however more stalls over a larger area. He thanked Joanne Bell for her help in organising the commercial stalls.

This year money needed to be spent on the structural testing of all the fixtures and the electrical testing of the sockets. Residents using wiring for trees provided by the council would be a cheaper alternative.

21. Ward Councillors Report

Cllr. Neil Poole spoke about the "pots" of money available for youth sport awards in VANL funding. Re: the Fire Station Closure, he talked about the lack of cover at Brigg Fire Station particularly on Friday nights, which would need to be covered by other stations. This was another indication that improved cover in rural areas was necessary.

22. Civic Award

The Mayor announced that the recipient of the first Civic Award had been Mick Cook for his work to form the LIVES Responder group in Kirton and also his work as a part time fire fighter over many years.

23. Mayor's Report

The Mayor summarised the council's activities and gave a detailed month by month report to the Assembly.