

## Minutes of the Meeting of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council Promoting Kirton Committee held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at the Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey at 7.15pm.

Members Present: Cllr Pat Frankish (Chair), Cllr Hazel Fox, Cllr Jared Priestley, Cllr Suzanne Stephenson, Alison Birkett and Olive Ovington.

Also present: Assistant Clerk: Cheri Morton, Town Clerk: Neil Taylor-Matson and one member of the public.

Public Participation: No matters were raised.

### **MINUTES**

PK2206/01 Election of Members

Nominations to elect Alison Birkett, Olive Ovington and Martin Hollingsworth as non-voting members of the committee were received.

RESOLUTION: That Alison Birkett, Olive Ovington and Martin Hollingsworth were elected as non-voting members of the Committee.

Nominations to elect Cllr Hazel Fox as a voting member of the committee were received.

RESOLUTION: That Cllr Hazel Fox was elected as a voting member of the Committee.

PK2206/02 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Kathy Cooper, Cllr David Garritt and Martin Hollingsworth.

PK2206/03 <u>Declaration of Interests / Dispensations</u>

a. Cllr Priestley declared a personal interest in items 2206/07 (a) and 2206/07 (c). Cllr Frankish declared a personal interest in item 2206/07 (a) and the Platinum Jubilee update at 2206/08.

b. No dispensations were granted.

PK2206/04 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Committee considered the Minutes of the PK Committee Meeting held on 9th May 2022.

RESOLUTION: That the Minutes be signed as a true and accurate record.

b. The Committee received an update from the Clerk regarding tasks and actions, noting a list was circulated prior to the meeting and any queries could be addressed. The Assistant Clerk noted seeing a post on the Facebook Community Noticeboard querying the return of the FoodFest and the Clerk, not aware of this, would find the post and respond with an update.

PK2206/05 Tourism

a. Cllr Stephenson provided an update to the Committee discussing changes to membership of the working group, the request from North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) for a representative from the working group to attend their Tourism Partnership meetings and the provision of information to NLC about Kirton in Lindsey for inclusion on their Visit North Lincolnshire website. Concern remains about access to the former RAF Operations Room and Control Tower with NLC now trying to work alongside the North Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Forum on this matter and the working group to discuss next steps, with the potential for a public interest story to be developed for publicity around this. Cllr Stephenson noted discussions with KCOM about the connectivity provision for outlying areas of Kirton in Lindsey and has arranged a meeting with representatives on Wed 15th June. The planning for a heritage trail signboard continues with information to be updated along with mapping and then relevant permissions for siting. Planning is also to continue for Best Kept Frontage displays to launch either later this year or early next year. Alison Birkett recommended contact with Trent Valley Gliding Club for contact details linked to the landowner of the former RAF assets; the Clerk noted information for the heritage trail signboard following work to encourage NLC to assist with the updating of the information board in the Market Place. The Clerk noted information that Messingham Parish Council have taken on responsibility and management of the old library building in Messingham as a Community Hub, as a point of interest and the current position with Community Hubs across North Lincolnshire.

The Clerk noted the potential to improve signage for amenities and tourism sites in Kirton in Lindsey, noting that KLASSIC still only has temporary signs and other sites could be considered for improved signage for residents and visitors too.

RESOLUTION: That Cllr Stephenson attends the NLC Tourism Partnership meeting at

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Walcott Hall on 28th June.

**ACTION: Cllr Stephenson** 

RESOLUTION: That the Tourism Working Group try engagement with Trent Valley Gliding Club for contact details linked to the landowner.

**ACTION: Tourism Working Group** 

RESOLUTION: That the Tourism Working Group develop a public interest story about the former RAF assets for publicity around this matter. ACTION: Tourism Working Group RESOLUTION: That the Clerk links the updated heritage trail information in with the Tourism Working Group. ACTION: Town Clerk

RESOLUTION: That the Tourism Working Group continue to plan and develop the signboard concept so that relevant permissions can then be sought for placement.

**ACTION: Tourism Working Group** 

## RESOLUTION: That the Tourism Working Group continue to develop the Best Kept Frontage display contest. ACTION: Tourism Working Group

b. The Clerk provided an update from the Airfields of Britain Conservation Trust, noting some progress for a memorial to Kirton in Lindsey Airfield and hope that this could be unveiled in August. Ward Cllr Trevor has provided assistance as a link at NLC, a provisional inscription is due next week dedicated to the main usage by the RAF between 1940-1965. Services at the location to be checked for viability. A raised flowerbed to be provided by the Town Council as part of any agreement from NLC. c. The Clerk noted the availability of the Village Idiot YouTube film for Kirton in Lindsey and a further film featuring the town and surrounding villages from the air to be made available when the channel reaches the next milestone of subscribers.

# RESOLUTION: That the availability of the film is to be mentioned in the next Kirton First update. ACTION: Town Clerk

d. The Clerk noted the completion and availability of the Extensive Urban Survey reporting on their website. A note of thanks from the Committee was given to the Kirton in Lindsey Society for their work with the project in providing information.

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## **Public Transport**

The Committee considered the update from North Notts & Lincs Community Rail Partnership regarding suspension of the train timetable without provision of a replacement bus service and considered any actions required. The Clerk noted that since publication of the agenda, a further update was received that train crew refresher courses running from 11<sup>th</sup> June pointed to an earlier return of passenger services than previously predicted.

RESOLUTION: That Cllr Fox writes to Northern Trains to express concern with the current situation and the lack of provision of a train timetable. ACTION: Cllr Fox

#### PK2006/07

#### **Open Spaces**

a. Cllr Frankish provided an update from In Bloom, confirming all planting was now completed with additional planters at Grayingham Road and outside the Town Hall. 6<sup>th</sup> July was noted as the judging date for In Bloom with much work needed around this. The Clerk noted reporting of the need for securing the lamppost baskets in the Market Place nearest to the Town Hall which have become loose.

RESOLUTION: That Cllr Priestley will secure the lamppost baskets.

**ACTION: Cllr Priestlev** 

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a. The Committee considered sponsorship offers from Jacks Patch Garden Centre and agreed any actions required. The Clerk noted the enthusiasm from the Garden Centre to support the community displays at Christmas and the planting in the Market Place.

# RESOLUTION: That a meeting with the Garden Centre, Cllr Frankish and the Clerk is arranged prior to the next Committee meeting. ACTION: Town Clerk

b. The Committee received an update from North Lincolnshire Woodland Trust and agreed any actions required. Cllr Priestley noted a busy six months, with a bank account, Trustees and deed all now in place. The Trust remains in an early funding stage, with a sponsored parachute jump coming up in September. There will be representation at the Open Event at KLASSIC in July. The Trust has asked for the backing of the Town Council in terms of support, with the aims to plant native woodland and sustainable natural areas for the public to enjoy, protected in perpetuity.

c. The Committee considered maintenance and care of the memorial tree on the Green and agreed any actions required.

RESOLUTION: That a tree surgeon is asked to provide advice. ACTION: Town Clerk

d. The Committee received information about further opportunities for fully funded wildlife ponds and

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agreed any actions required. The Clerk noted that a requirement is for the applicant to be the landowner.

## PK2206/08 Town Events

The Committee discussed information and actions required at this time regarding Town Events:

- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee review & debrief Cllr Frankish had provided a written report following the events and the Committee noted how well attended they were. A Grateful Recognition Certification for taking part in the Beacon Lighting was received from the Pageant Master. The Clerk noted a suggestion from the Royal British Legion for holes to be drilled into the Christmas tree holders so that rain water will drain out, preventing the wooden flag holders swelling up and becoming stuck. Thanks were acknowledged by the Committee to all those who made the events possible and took part.
- <u>Scarecrow Trail review & debrief</u> The Assistant Clerk provided an update noting low number of entries but a very large number of votes cast. The Clerk noted those that 'thought outside the box' with the theme received low voting. Prizes were presented and publicised online.

RESOLUTION: That the Assistant Clerk carries out a short survey online to gauge future support and ideas for the continuation of the trail.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

- <u>KLASSIC Open Event</u> (July) the Assistant Clerk confirmed the continued work towards the holding of the event and confirmation of those attending with displays and demonstrations. Publicity to continue with the poster and further information to be included in the Kirton First update. The Clerk noted the responses to invites sent to NLC, the Ward Cllrs and local MP. NLC Tourism looking forward to attend and support publicity, Ward Cllr Trevor Foster to attend and apologies received from the local MP.
- Fair (July) the Clerk reminded the Committee that the Fair was planning to visit in July.
- <u>Christmas Festival</u> –The Clerk reminded the Committee of the need for planning to start around this event, and the potential to approach the Pop-Up Market held monthly at the Town Hall on Sundays if they would be interested in becoming part of the event this year. The additional information from LITE was discussed about the replacement of the icicles lighting. Outdoor stalls provision was also discussed with NLC unable to provide stalls for future events. Cllr Fox queried if the Town Events Working Group should be working on plans for this event.

RESOLUTION: That a focus on planning for the Christmas Festival forms a part of the July Committee meeting.

ACTION: Town Clerk
RESOLUTION: That the remit for the Town Events Working Group is drawn up.

ACTION: Town Events Working Group

RESOLUTION: That the icicles are replaced following the information exchanged between LITE, Cllr Garritt and the Clerk.

ACTION: Town Clerk

RESOLUTION: That the planned meeting with the Garden Centre includes discussion around sponsorship of Christmas lighting. ACTION: Cllr Frankish/Town Clerk

• <u>Potential Food/Beer Event</u>, 2023 – The Assistant Clerk updated the Committee on discussions with Cllr Fox about the Barton Beer Festival and options for bringing a similar event to Kirton in Lindsey. The Glanford & Lindsey Lions, when asked, noted that they haven't put on an event like this previously, but can link in with other Lions to discuss further. Potential to link in with a wider food event or Town Hall Live event were also discussed as development ideas. The Clerk noted that Winterton also holds a Beer Festival for a source of further information and potential help.

RESOLUTION: That further research around this idea takes place, including contact with organisations who may be able to assist.

ACTION: Assistant Clerk

PK2206/09 Agenda for next and future meeting None raised.

Date of next Meeting and Agenda Deadline

The Committee confirmed the planned date and time of the next Promoting Kirton Committee meeting is Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.15pm, with Agenda items requested prior to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022.

The meeting closed at 8:23pm

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