



**Minutes of the meeting of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council
Finance and Planning Committee, held on Monday 10th November 2025
at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey at 7:30pm**

Members Present: Cllr David Garritt (Chair), Cllr Hazel Fox, Cllr Pat Frankish, Cllr Chris Howard, Cllr Joy Kofoed and Cllr Suzanne Stephenson

Members not present: Cllr Starkie.

Also present: Assistant Clerk Cheri Morton (voluntarily) and Town Clerk: Neil Taylor-Matson.

MINUTES

FP2511/01 Apologies

No apologies were received.

FP2511/02 Declaration of Interests / Dispensations

- a. No declarations of interests were declared.
- b. No dispensations were granted.

FP2511/03 Public Participation

No matters were raised.

FP2511/04 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Committee considered the minutes of the FP Committee Meeting held on 13th October 2025.

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

FP2511/05 Planning

The Council received the North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) Local Plan Consultation on Community Facilities and Services and discussed the response to return. The Town Clerk had provided notes and additions to the list of Community Facilities and Services which NLC had provided. This amounted to a large number of corrections and additions which NLC were not aware of.

RESOLUTION: That the Town Clerk responds with the list of corrections and amendments, including a note that the Indian Restaurant is currently vacant and that Amara Care provide psychology, counselling and staff training.

ACTION: Town Clerk

RESOLUTION: That Dave Capell is contacted to confirm details for Capes Carps and this is added in if verified.

ACTION: Town Clerk

RESOLUTION: That the following points are noted:

- That due to the ongoing permitted development and growing population in the town pressure on health and education provision is noted, with increased provision for primary education a priority and that junior provision should also be reviewed.
- That lack of parking facilities compromises some of the businesses in the town centre.
- That efforts need to be made to have permitted developments completed as approved to meet increasing infrastructure demands.
- That future use of the former Ministry of Defence land is a concern and the proposal for shops and a petrol station in this area is supported.
- That the use of the former gliding club site is in keeping with the historic use and agricultural surrounds.
- That listed buildings are offered increased protection.
- That the town needs to be joined up and not developed in sections which become silos.
- The community facilities are preserved including our open spaces and trees.

ACTION: Town Clerk

FP2511/06 Finance

The Committee discussed budget planning for 2026-2027. The Town Clerk presented figures which currently suggest a budget requirement of £127,604.46; an increase of almost 9%. Two recommendations were put forward, to reduce earmarked reserves to bring the Precept requirement to £107,605.00, and acknowledge the unspent money kept in reserves over continued years without community-based projects progressing, or an alternative approach to retain the Precept at £117,224.56. It was confirmed that North Lincolnshire Council had not yet provided information to assist with Precept planning and that this usually arrives towards the end of November/beginning of December. After discussion it was agreed further time and information which was not yet available was needed before a recommendation could be put forward to Full Council.

RESOLUTION: That work continues towards zero increase in the Precept demand, giving space for an increase in line with inflation and consideration continues around funding of potential future projects.

ACTION: Town Clerk

FP2511/07 Date of next Meeting and Agenda Deadline

The Committee confirmed the date and time of the next Finance and Planning Committee meeting, if required, as 8th December 2025 at 7:30pm, with agenda items to be submitted in writing prior to Friday 21st November in line with Standing Orders.

The meeting closed at 8:15 pm

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