

# WHITTLESEY TOWN COUNCIL

## FULL COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 7.30pm at Peel House, 8 Queen Street, Whittlesey.**

**Present:** Cllr Mason, Dorling, Gerstner, Miscandlon, Mockett, Nawaz, Whitwell, Wicks

**Officer in Attendance:** Mrs Sue Piergianni – Town Clerk & RFO

**F93/21. To receive apologies from absent members and the reason for the apology.**

Cllr Mrs Laws (Covid Step 4), Mrs Mayor (personal), Munns (work), Mrs Windle (personal) Cllrs Boden and Davies were not in attendance and no apologies were received.

**F94/21. To receive members' declarations of disclosable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item**

Cllr Miscandlon as Substitute on FDC Panning may make comment but will reserve the right to change his mind should more information become available.

Coates Summer Fete – Cllrs Wicks and Whitwell declared a Pecuniary Interest in this item, they would speak but take no part in the vote.

**F95/21 Street Scene Officer Report & CCTV report.**

Members asked the Clerk to request a breakdown of locations for the fly tipping incidents.

**F96/21. To confirm and sign the Minutes from the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021.**

**Ratified:** The Minutes were approved and signed as true record.

**F97/20. To appoint members to Committees, working parties and outside bodies (The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the committees will be appointed at the first meeting of the committee).**

### **WORKING PARTIES**

<b><u>Neighbourhood Plan</u></b>	Cllr Mrs Laws Cllr Munns Cllr Whitwell Cllr Dorling
<b><u>Neighbourhood Plan</u></b>	Cllr Gerstner Cllr Mason Cllr Mrs Windle
<b><u>Website</u></b>	Cllr Mrs Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor
<b><u>Heritage Centre</u></b>	Cllr Mason Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Dorling

## OUTSIDE BODIES

<u>CCTV</u>	Cllr Mockett, Mrs Mayor will act as substitute.
<u>GLASSMOOR BANK WIND FARM</u>	Cllrs Wicks, Dorling, Miscandlon, and Mrs Windle
<u>BURNTHOUSE FARM WIND FARM</u>	Cllrs Wicks, Dorling, Miscandlon, and Mrs Windle
<u>WHITTLESEY EMERGENCY FOOD AID</u>	Cllr Mrs Windle
<u>FLETTON LIAISON GROUP</u>	Cllrs Miscandlon, Whitwell, Wicks and Nawaz
<u>COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME</u>	Cllr Mrs Windle
<u>RURAL CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU</u>	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Gerstner will act as substitute.
<u>COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIP</u>	Cllrs Whitwell, Wicks and Mrs Mayor
<u>WHITTLESEY STATION PROJECT</u>	Cllrs Munns, Mockett and Nawaz
<u>FAMILY &amp; CHILDREN'S CENTRE, SCALDGATE</u>	Cllr Mrs Windle
<u>WHITTLESEY IN BLOOM</u>	Cllr Mrs Kay Mayor
<u>MUD WALLS</u>	Cllrs Whitwell and Gerstner
<u>CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA</u>	Cllrs Mason, Nawaz, and Mrs Windle
<u>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS</u>	Cllr Mrs Mayor, Cllr Whitwell will act as substitute.
<u>WHITTLESEY FESTIVAL</u>	Cllrs Mrs Windle and Nawaz
<u>ALLOTMENT SOCIETY</u>	Cllrs Davies, Munns and Mockett
<u>GROWING FENLAND</u>	Cllrs Mrs Lawes and Nawaz
<u>WHITTLESEY HERITAGE CENTRE</u>	Cllrs Mason, Miscandlon and Dorling

## COMMITTEES

<b><u>Finance &amp; Policy</u></b>	Cllr Boden Cllr Davies Cllr Dorling Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mockett Cllr Wicks Cllr Nawaz
<b><u>Planning</u></b>	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Whitwell Cllr Gerstner Cllr Davies Cllr Munns Cllr Mockett Cllr Nawaz Cllr Mrs Windle, Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Mrs Laws
<b><u>Community Projects</u></b>	Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Mrs Windle Cllr Whitwell Cllr Munns Cllr Gerstner Cllr Nawaz Cllr Mockett Cllr Davies

**F98/21 Public Forum** To allow any member of the public to address the council. Time allowed 15 minutes in total to be split equally between the total amount wishing to speak.

Mr Stephen Robinson – Thanked Cllr Gerstner for the sterling work on his comprehensive website, including COVID statistics, Kings Dyke Bridge, Saxon Pit, MVAS results and scams. At the last zoom meeting the issue of Commons Road was raised as it was in poor condition, very shortly after yellow paint was applied identifying the holes to be repaired, Mr Robertson has duly counted the holes today and even after the repair there are 42 further holes. The repairs that are being carried out cannot be cost effective. Why do CCC not repair the whole road?

MVAS units is it proved that they reduce the speed? Are they cost effective?

Mr Robert Windle – Commented that some of the batteries have run down and the cameras are not working. Fenland Youth Radio has appointed him as Station Manager, David Carr has been appointed the General manager of the new young techs. A daily breakfast show is now going on, it is a trial whilst the football is going on and hopefully will continue after. The Big Bash is the 12<sup>th</sup> of September, this will not replace the Whittlesey Festival but gives the town something to look forward to before the lead up to Christmas.

### **F99/21 Agenda items for Discussion.**

1. Citizens Advice Bureau request for accommodation – After discussion Cllr Miscandlon proposed we offer free accommodation; this was seconded by Cllr Gerstner with a unanimous vote in favour. Members asked the Clerk to liaise with the CAB to find the best option.
2. Peterborough & Fenland Breastfeeding Group – Cllr Miscandlon proposed we offer accommodation; this was seconded by Cllr Whitwell with a unanimous vote in favour. The



Clerk was to contact them regarding availability, also give details of venues in Coates, Eastrea, & Pondersbridge.

3. Mayors Charities – Cllr Mason advised members of his charities for 2021/22, they are Sue Ryder Thorpe Hall, Community Car Scheme and Whittlesey Sports Association.
4. Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Dorling advised members the flier had been produced and was being advertised on the website. Once the consultation documents were produced there would be two open days at Peel House where members of the public could come and view and obtain a copy of the consultation if they had not received one.
5. Mud Walls – Cllr Whitwell advised that over the last two years, he has been working with Historic England on Mud Walls, previously there had only been two listed in Whittlesey. There are now five additional mud walls that have been given listed status. FDC were asked if they would put every mud wall under an article 4 direction, but FDC put that on hold until the listing process had been finalised. Cllr Whitwell advised he will contact FDC and request an 'Article 4' is put on all remaining mud walls.
6. Whittlesey Speed Watch – Cllr Mason advised that a new group had been formed and Cllr Cllr Gerstner will be the representative working on this. Cllr Gerstner advised that the group had asked if the Clerk could assist with organisation and coordination of the group, but he has denied this request due to the Clerks workload.
7. Council meetings moving forward – Cllr Mason next full council meeting on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021. Community Projects and Planning on 7<sup>th</sup> July, Finance & Policy and Planning 19<sup>th</sup> July. No meeting in August, Full council 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept, but omit the 19<sup>th</sup> of August meeting the Town Clerk will liaise with the Chair of the various committees, Cllr Gerstner proposed, seconded Nawaz all in favour.

#### **F100/21. To receive Councillor & outside body reports.**

Cllr Miscandlon as FDC Chairman attended the Flag Fen advisory board summer solstice . The new Deputy Mayor of CPCA was present and is incredibly supportive of WTC heritage project.

#### **F101/21. Finance & Policy**

There were no minutes for approval as they had been approved at Full Council.

#### **F102/21 To report the financial documents.**

Due to the Chair & Vice Chair of F & P not being present the Clerk was asked to present the documents to members.

- To report the bank reconciliation to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021 – Members received the balanced bank reconciliation to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021
- To report the list of payments & uncashed payments. Vouchers 24 to 48 to the value of £20,895.05 were proposed by Cllr Miscandlon, seconded by Cllr Whitwell with a unanimous vote in favour.
- To report the year-to-date figures (2021) – Members received the year-to-date figures.
- To consider the donation request from the Whittlesey Christmas Extravaganza – Cllr Mockett proposed £5000.00 , seconded Cllr Nawaz with a unanimous vote in favour.
- To consider the donation request for the Summer Reading Challenge at the library – Cllr Wicks proposed £500.00, seconded Cllr Mockett with a unanimous vote in favour. Members asked. the Clerk to advise if they wished to possibly increase their request next year the council would consider it.

- To consider the donation request for the 'Fete on the Green Coates' – Cllr Miscandlon proposed £2500.00, seconded by Cllr Mockett with a majority vote in favour. Cllr Wicks and Whitwell took no part in the vote.

**F103/21 Information Only**

There was no information.

**F104/21 Invitations**

Mayors Summer Ball – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021

**F105/21. Date of next meeting – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021**

**Meeting Closed: 20:45**

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Cllr David Mason  
Mayor of Whittlesey

