

BRIGG TOWN COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY 26th September 2005
Chairman – Councillor Mrs. P.J. Smith (Town Mayor)

Present: Councillors; Mrs. J.A. Bell, M.N. Birkitt, Mrs. J. Brock, M.S. Campion, C.J. Cook, Mrs. S. Dewberry, M. Doherty, Mrs. A. Eardley, Mrs. M. Glossop, T.D. Glossop, K. Smith, A. Sykes, Mrs. A. Tasker, and J. Truepenny.

In attendance:	Peter Thompson	Market Rasen Mail
	Nigel Fisher	Scunthorpe Telegraph
	Cllr J. Berry	North Lincolnshire Council
	Cllr. N. Sherwood	North Lincolnshire Council
	Apologies received from	
	Cllr LR Long	North Lincolnshire Council
	Mr. K. Simpson	Town Mayor's Chaplain

050 PRAYER

Members were led in prayer by Mr. K. Simpson, the Town Mayor's Chaplain

051 NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

Taken as read and approved.

052 APOLOGIES RECEIVED AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Councillor J.E.G. Kidd is attending to important family business.
Councillor A.L. Markham is at work
Councillor T. Morris is at work

053 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

054 MINUTES AS CIRCULATED

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 25th July 2005, having been circulated, were taken as read and approved as a true record.
Proposed: Councillor M.N. Birkitt Seconded: Councillor K. Smith

055 POLICE MATTERS

Copy letter received from a resident of Bigby High Road, which has already been received by the Planning & Environment Committee earlier this evening, but also refers to speeding traffic, in particular motor bikes on Wednesday Evenings and at week-ends.

Members agreed that the concerns expressed should be supported.

The Town Mayor reported that it would appear that it was necessary to close the front desk at the Police Station today, due to the major traffic accident on the M180. She suggested that it is an appalling situation when the Local Police Service is so severely stretched that a Police Station has to be closed to the public in such instances, and asked that a letter should be forwarded to Inspector Ruddy stating that concern. All agreed.

Councillor T.D. Glossop reported that the last Local Policing Team Liaison Meeting was, once again, very poorly attended. He suggested that the public ought to be attending these meetings and making their views known. The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th December 2005 in the ballroom of the Angel Suite.

056 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Publications

Clerks and Councils Direct
Local Council Review
The Playing Field
HUMBRELLA
HLC Training News

b) V.A.N.L

Annual Report
Notice of A.G.M. to be held on Thursday 6th October at the Kingsway Centre
VANL News
FACT Newsletter

Councillor Mrs. Tasker confirmed that she would be attending the A.G.M.

c) Council Homes the Future

Letter received from North Lincolnshire Council advising that the decision has been taken to set up a stand-alone 'social landlord' It will be called North Lincolnshire Homes and will be a 'not for profit' organisation limited by guarantee. Membership will be made up of 5 tenants, 5 council nominees, and 5 independent members; the first meeting of the shadow board was held on the 6th September. Its remit will be to look at the policies required and to develop the various elements of services it will provide, which will build into an offer from the council on which tenants will be balloted.

Members were reminded that Councillor John Briggs will be in attendance at the next meeting, to discuss this matter and respond to questions.

Notification was also received that 'road shows' have been held throughout the County (during September), in order to inform both tenants and the public on the options available.

d) Humber & Wolds R.C.C.

Notice of A.G.M. and Thirtieth Anniversary Celebrations.
The Town Mayor and Consort will represent the Town Council

e) C.P.R.E. –Best Kept Village and Town Results.

The Town Mayor read out the results and expressed her disappointment that they are very poor this year, particular relating to litter.

057 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES FROM THE CLERK.

Lighting at the Davy Memorial Field (Minute 045)

Further letter sent – see Policy Committee Minutes

Overgrown Land to the rear of Brigg Police Station (Minute 045)

Further letter sent to Inspector Ruddy.

Rates Bill – Storage of Christmas Lights (Minute 045)

The bill was incorrect – new revised bill awaited.

058 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS.

Councillor Mrs. P.J. Smith asked for a members support for a letter of enquiry to be sent to the Lincolnshire Ambulance Trust, enquiring whether there are any plans to change the current service operating from Brigg, in view of the decision to reduce the service operating from Market Rasen to a car only. **Members agreed.**

Councillor J. Berry (North Lincolnshire Council), also offered to follow up this enquiry as Chair of the Scrutiny Panel for Health Services.

Councillor Mrs. A. Eardley asked if enquiries could be made regarding the ownership of the shops on Springs Parade, some of which are falling in to disrepair and becoming an eyesore.

The clerk will make enquiries.

059 RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES:

a) Property and Services Committee

Monday 25th July 2005

Proposed: Councillor J. Kitwood Seconded: Councillor Mrs. P.J. Smith
No matters arising All agreed.

Wednesday 7th September 2005

Proposed: Councillor Mrs. P.J. Smith Seconded: Councillor Mrs. J. Brock
No matters arising All agreed.

b) **Planning and Environment Committee**

Monday 25th July 2005

Proposed: Councillor Mrs. M. Glossop Seconded: Councillor M.N. Birkitt.
No matters arising. All agreed

Thursday 25th August 2005

Proposed: Councillor Mrs. M. Glossop Seconded: Councillor M.N. Birkitt.

Councillor K. Smith expressed concern at the apparent eradication of the 'building line', and asked if details of the regulations could be obtained from North Lincolnshire Council.

No other matters arising. All agreed.

Wednesday 7th September 2005

Proposed: Councillor Mrs. M. Glossop Seconded: Councillor T.D. Glossop
No matters arising. All agreed.

c) **Policy Committee –**

Wednesday 14th September 2005

Members were asked to note the incorrect date for the Civic Operatic Evening, which should be recorded as Wednesday 26th October 2005.

Proposed: Councillor C.J. Cook Seconded: Councillor J. Truepenny
No other matters arising. All agreed

d) **Personnel Committee**

Friday 1st July 2005

Proposed: Councillor A. Sykes Seconded: Councillor J. Truepenny
All agreed

Thursday 25th August 2005

Proposed: Councillor A. Sykes Seconded: Councillor T.D. Glossop
All agreed.

060 FINANCIAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

Financial report to follow

Accounts for payment:

Mrs JM Woollard	clerical services	1,257.57
Mrs JM Woollard	home telephone	10.00
Petty Cash	refund Mrs JM Woollard	
Petty Cash	replenish float	30.00
	Refund Mrs JM Woollard	60.90
Brigg Office Supplies	stationery	
	£15.00 + V.A.T. £0.74	15.74
Brigg Garden Centre	Prize Vouchers	100.00

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Audit Commission	Audit Fee £250.00 + V.A.T. £61.25	411.25
Jonro Properties	Rent for storage premises October – December 2005	240.00
North Lincolnshire Council – Service Level Agreements		
Allotments	£63.00 + V.A.T.	74.03
Opening Toilets	£392.00 + V.A.T.	460.60
Bedding Plants	£565.95 + V.A.T. £	664.99
Peter Thompson	Web Site Articles Quarterly account	75.00
Barnes & Son	repairs to Chains of Office Engraving trophies £78.86 + V.A.T.	92.60

General Accounts Due – already Paid

Arena Business Machines	copying £15.51 + £2.71	18.22
Angel Suite Account	refund V.A.T.	1,527.89
Doug Stewart	garden judge – expenses	65.00
Mackenzies Cards	Brigg Civic Notelets	17.63
Brigg Office Supplies	stationery £56.94 + V.A.T. £9.96	66.90
Leander Architectural	Civic Award Plaque £88.48 + £15.48	103.96
Arrow International Castings	Final Payment – Street Name Signs £2,090.75 + V.A.T. £365.88	2,456.63

Accounts Paid - Approved by Personnel Committee

Mrs JM Woollard	clerical services – August	1,257.57
Mrs JM Woollard	clerical service	626.08
	backdated payment April – July (inclusive)	
Mrs JM Woollard	home telephone	10.00
East Riding Pension Fund	Actuary Fee	350.00

Proposed: Councillor J. Kitwood Seconded: Councillor J. Truepenney
All agreed.

061 TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST FROM THE BRIGG BONFIRE COMMITTEE FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE ANNUAL FIREWORK DISPLAY IN 2005.

Following the presentation to Full Council (earlier this year) relating to the 2004 Firework Display, a financial forecast has now been provided for the next two years, together with a request that consideration be given to a grant of £1500.00 toward the cost of staging a Firework Display in 2005, and again in 2006, following which the Committee hopes to be in a position to 'stand alone' financially.

Councillor M.S. Champion proposed that the sum of £1,500.00 should be awarded from the Major Events Budget, toward the cost of staging a Firework Display in 2005; and that the Town Council should convey to the organisers that it would be mindful to award the same figure in 2007, case of need, subject to the sight of satisfactory accounts following the 2005 event.

Seconded: Councillor J. Kitwood. All agreed.

062 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE DONATION OFFERED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL OF TWO HISTORICAL ARTEFACTS FROM BRIGG, AND APPROVE ANY COSTS INVOLVED IN REMOVING / COLLECTING THEM FROM THEIR CURRENT SITE:-

- i) One original cast iron gas lamp column
- ii) The Stone Name Tablet previously sited at the entrance to the 'Friends Meeting Hall' believed to have been on Queen Street.

The Town Mayor advised that she had personally inspected both of the items offered to the Town Council, and she certainly felt that they should be retained for historical interest, but the main question is where could they be sited.

Councillor J. Kitwood supported the Town Mayor's comments, and confirmed that he had also inspected the items, and was able to show members photographs he had taken for their reference.

The Town Mayor suggested that the most suitable location would be within the small recessed area of the outer courtyard of the Angel, and she therefore proposed that the clerk should obtain estimates for the cost of collecting and installing both items within the Outer Courtyard, including the re-connection of the gas lamp (which has already been converted to electricity) to a suitable electric supply.

Seconded: Councillor J. Kitwood All agreed.

063 TO RECEIVE A CLOSING REPORT FROM BUGSS ON BRIGG FAIR 2005, AND THEIR PLANS FOR THE EVENT IN 2006.

A printed closing report was received, consisting of a synopsis of the days Events, the up to date position with regard to the Committee, and the Committee's initial proposals for 2006.

BUGSS will be holding a Public Meeting in the Angel Suite on Tuesday 11th October at 7.30pm, in the hope of encouraging more volunteers to come forward and help.

064 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE CONCLUDING REPORT FROM THE BRIGG M.T.I. / BEACON TOWN FORUM.

Report received today.

Members agreed that it should be circulated, and this item should re-appear on the next Agenda.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Chairman, meeting held Monday 24th October 2005