



**Minutes of the meeting of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council
General Purposes Committee, held on Monday 13th September 2021
at the Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey at 8.30pm.**

Members Present: Cllr David Garritt (Chair), Cllr Hazel Fox and Cllr Pat Frankish.
Also present: Assistant Clerk: Sarah Gillingham (part) and Town Clerk: Neil Taylor-Matson.

Public Participation: No members of the public attending.

MINUTES

- GP 2109/01 Apologies
Apologies were received from Cllr Cooper and Cllr Kofoed.
- GP 2109/02 Declaration of Interests / Dispensations
a. Cllr Fox and Cllr Frankish declared interests in the Town Hall as Trustees (GP 2109/07 [d]).
b. A dispensation was granted to Cllr Frankish to enable her to take part in discussions relating to In Bloom without having to declare a personal interest as a member of the In Bloom Group. This decision was made as without the dispensation the number of persons prohibited from participating in any particular business would be so great a proportion of the body transacting the business as to impede the transaction of the business. This dispensation shall expire on the date of Town Council elections in May, 2023.
- GP 2109/03 Minutes of the Previous Meeting
a. The Committee considered the Minutes of the GP Committee Meeting held on 12th July 2021.
RESOLUTION: That the Minutes be signed as a true and accurate record.
b. The Committee received an update from the Clerk regarding outstanding tasks and actions noting actions around the play area development plan.
- GP 2109/04 Play area development plan
Cllr Fox noted the recommendations from the annual RoSPA inspection report and how they compared with her monthly inspection reports to the Council, noting concern about the aging equipment in place. Cllr Garritt commented on the general results of the play area survey which residents responded to earlier in the year with many items of existing equipment proving popular and the wishes for larger equipment such as a skate park and zip wire. Concerns were expressed over the understanding about the Green and the protected status of it, along with hopes of achieving the Vincent Hall as a community asset and land around it to develop leisure facilities potentially including outdoor gym equipment. Cllr Frankish noted that costings for potential works need to be considered in time for preparation of the Council budget for next year which will need to be drawn up in November. Cllr Garritt asked if Cllr Fox would consider rejoining the play area working group.
RESOLUTION: That Cllr Fox rejoins the play area working group. ACTION: Cllr Fox
RESOLUTION: That a meeting of the working group is called to move the development plan forward. ACTION: Cllr Garritt
- Sarah Gillingham left the meeting.
- GP 2109/05 Planning
The Committee considered the following planning application:
- i. Number: PA/2021/1489
Proposal: Planning permission to erect single-storey extensions to the side and rear of the dwelling, to erect a new porch to the front, and to erect an extension and make alterations to the existing outbuilding to form a garage.
Address: 20 Queen Street, Kirton in Lindsey, DN21 4NX
RESOLUTION: That the Clerk submits "No Comment" in response to this planning application. ACTION: Town Clerk

Signed:

Dated:

- GP 2109/06 Grove Street Cemetery
 The Town Clerk noted the ongoing process of replacing the bench outside the cemetery – the bench was on order and would be installed when delivered. Delays to most manufacturing processes in the UK at the moment was impacting on this work and it was disappointing that an article in Kirton First suggested the Town Council had removed the bench without plans to replace it.
- GP 2109/07 Correspondence
 a. The Committee discussed the detail around the Town Council’s Motion submitted to the ERNLLCA Annual General Meeting in to be held this month as agreed at the July 2021 Full Council Meeting and agreed actions required.
RESOLUTION: That following feedback from ERNLLCA, wording of the Motion is amended to read: “ERNLLCA calls upon NALC to lobby the Government to strengthen/amend planning law & policy, in order to ensure that developers have to produce, in conjunction with all the relevant bodies (signed off by each of them), an agreed, robust, demonstrable plan for the management & prevention of surface water flooding so as to not exacerbate any current, or future, local issues and also those in areas upstream, and further downstream all the way to a main river (one that outflows into an estuary or the sea), of any commercial or domestic development, and that a government approved body (either existing or new) is made responsible (action-wise) & accountable via a government backed insurance scheme should the plan fail to prevent surface water flooding in the future”. **ACTION: Cllr Fox/Cllr Frankish**
 b. The Committee received details of proposed tree works on the Green and agreed actions required. The Clerk outlined advice received from tree surgeons that the lime tree which was pollarded requires the lower epicormic growth pruning to aid the shaping of the tree. This work is priced at £100.
RESOLUTION: That the costings for the works are approved and taken to the Trustees of The Green and The Market Place charity for sign off. **ACTION: Town Clerk**
 c. The Committee discussed the damage to the removable bollard at the Green and agreed actions required. The Clerk reminded the Committee of the purpose of the staggered bollards to prevent parking on the access road blocking access for residents and that the smaller black and white bollards are in place to prevent access onto the Green.
RESOLUTION: That costings for a replacement metal bollard are researched for consideration as a more cost-effective method of discouraging parking in this area. **ACTION: Town Clerk**
 d. The Committee received a reminder about the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall AGM to be held on Tuesday 21st September at 6:30pm to which they were invited to attend.
- GP 2109/08 Agenda for next and future meetings
 The Committee made note of any items for the agenda for the next or future meetings.
RESOLUTION: No items to add at this time.
- GP 2109/09 Date of next Meeting and Agenda Deadline
 The Committee confirmed the date and time of the next General Purposes Committee meeting as 11th October 2021 at 8:00pm, with Agenda items requested prior to Friday 1st October.

The meeting closed at 9:00pm.

<u>Present:</u>	Cllr David Garritt
	Cllr Hazel Fox
	Cllr Pat Frankish
<u>Apologies:</u>	Cllr Kathy Cooper
	Cllr Joy Kofoed
<u>Absent:</u>	Cllr Karen Gunn

Signed:

Dated: