



**Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Kirton in Lindsey Town Council
held on Monday 22nd April 2024
at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall, High Street, Kirton in Lindsey at 6:00pm.**

Members present: Cllr Hazel Fox (Chair), Cllr Billy Boyd (part), Cllr Adam Delsignore, Cllr Pat Frankish, Cllr David Garritt, Cllr Karen Gunn, Cllr Joy Kofoed (part) and Cllr Suzanne Stephenson.
Not present: Cllr Kathy Cooper.
Also present: Two members of the public and Town Clerk, Neil Taylor-Matson.

MINUTES

- 2404E 2/01 Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from Cllr Kathy Cooper.
- 2404E 2/02 Declaration of Interests / Dispensations
a. No interests were declared.
b. No dispensations were granted.
- 2404E 2/03 Public Participation
A member of the public who is also a member of the Car Park Working Group highlighted information from and related to the cost plan prepared by MPP Group (Construction Consultants) in September 2023, questions of funding streams, the timeline of work required and the planning approval/conditions. The Council thanked the member of the public for the information they had provided.
- 2404E 2/04 Car parking provision
The Council received information and update from the Car Park Working Group. Cllr Garritt provided the update, noting the timeline, the availability of land, potential funding from North Lincolnshire Council, the lack of other funding for this type of project and the current estimated costs of £750,000 (+/- £50,000) for the current approved scheme.
- a. The Council discussed and agreed actions on public consultation.
The Car Park Working Group put forward three options for decision –
- To go ahead with a public consultation on the current top specification design and associated costs;
 - To revise the application to simplify the design and therefore seek to reduce costs for the project prior to going to public consultation;
 - To shelve the entire project and advise residents that the Town Council have decided not to progress the development of a car park due to the information available to it.
- The Car Park Working Group noted that the overall decision to go ahead or not with the development of a car park is one for the community and not for Kirton in Lindsey Town Council to decide on their behalf.
- Cllr Gunn requested that it be recorded that she is strongly against the development of a car park on terms of cost and that it is a low number of residents who have put forward the need for parking solutions for the town. There are now few businesses left in the town and the town centre is mostly residential.

Cllr Boyd and Cllr Kofoed joined the meeting.

The Council discussed the information provided from the traffic survey and the analysis by the Car Park Working Group. Cllr Boyd requested if he is able to set up an opposition group against the proposal for the development of a car park, the Clerk confirmed advice would be sought and provided to Cllr Boyd.

Cllr Gunn proposed that the Council shelve the entire project completely. This was seconded by Cllr Boyd. When put to the vote, three Councillors voted in favour of the proposal, four voted against the proposal and one Councillor abstained.

RESOLUTION: Cllr Garritt proposed that the Car Park Working Group work with MPP and look at a reduced scheme in terms of complexity and cost to seek best value as the current scheme is unaffordable for the community. That costs are sought from MPP for this work and brought back to Full Council for consideration. This was seconded by Cllr Frankish. When put to the vote, five voted in favour of the proposal and three voted against the proposal. Cllr Gunn and Cllr Boyd requested a recorded vote: In favour of the proposal: Cllr Garritt, Cllr Frankish, Cllr Delsignore, Cllr Fox and Cllr Stephenson. Against the proposal: Cllr Boyd, Cllr Gunn and Cllr Kofoed.
ACTION: Car Park Working Group

RESOLUTION: That clarification is sought from Tighes on the current figure they are looking for

Signed:

Dated:

to sell the land to Kirton in Lindsey Town Council.

ACTION: Town Clerk

RESOLUTION: *That clarification is sought from Tighes on the release of the information about the figure they are looking for to sell the land to Kirton in Lindsey Town Council.*

ACTION: Town Clerk

b. The Council discussed and agreed actions regarding planning permission/application.

The Council agreed this issue is on hold until the Car Park Working Group have a revised scheme.

Standing Orders were suspended so that a member of the public who is also a member of the Car Park Working Group could suggest wording to put the query to MPP.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

2404E 2/05 Date of next Full Council Meeting

The Council confirmed the date and time of the next monthly Town Council Meeting (subject to any change in circumstances) as: **Wednesday 24th April 2024 at 7pm at the Diamond Jubilee Town Hall.**

The meeting closed at 7:00pm