MINUTES OF THE LUTTERWORTH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 21 NOVEMBER 2017 AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES
COMMENCING AT 7PM

Present:

The Town Mayor, Councillor M Perks
The Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor N Ackerley
Councillors J Ackerley, R Coleman, J Gardner, B Howes, D Jones, G Robinson, I Staples, P Toye & B Zilberts

17/90 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr’s D Gair, B Poulter, M Sutton & S Todd

17/91 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS FROM MEMBERS ON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY HAVE A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

17/92 MINUTES & RECOMMENDATIONS

It was RESOLVED to accept as a correct record and to approve recommendations on the following:-

a. MINUTES, LUTTERWORTH TOWN COUNCIL – 10 October 2017
b. MINUTES, LUTTERWORTH TOWN COUNCIL – 23 October 2017
c. MINUTES, ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 26 September 2017
d. MINUTES, EVENTS WORK PARTY – 16 October 2017

17/93 TOWN MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Mayor reported his attendance at the following events

27 October   Attended a Quiz to raise funds for the Mayors Appeal at the Wycliffe Rooms which raised £370
28 October   Attended the British Legion Festival of Remembrance at De Montfort Hall
1 November   Along with other Councillors, attended the Annual Parish Meeting at Leicester Grammar School’s Great Glen site.
10 November  Attended the Remembrance Service at Lutterworth Community College. Also that day, opened the newly refurbished premises of PWH Accountance.
12 November  Along with a number of Councillors, attended the British Legion Remembrance Service at St Mary’s Church and afterwards at The Memorial Garden. I would like to thank all Councillors supported the events on this day.
18 November  Attended a Requiem performed by Lutterworth & District Choral Society at St Mary’s Church.
21 November  Opened a new office of Helping Hands Carers Agency in Lutterworth.

The Mayor also announced he would be organising a Mayors Appeal Fundraising Ball for which details will be forthcoming after Christmas but I would ask that you keep 3 March free.
17/94 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

17/95 FINANCE

(i) ACCOUNTS PAID AND TO BE PAID

  a. BACS Payments totalling £29,311.22 be paid
  b. Bank reconciliation was noted by Members
  c. Ratified Payments made since the previous meeting were noted

17/96 PLANNING MATTERS

  a. Planning Applications
     (i) 17/01852/TCA – Works to Trees (fell) – 40 church street
         Lutterworth
         Refer to Tree Warden
     (ii) 17/01861/FUL – Erection of external fire escape staircase – Land north
          of Lutterworth Road
          No objections raised

17/97 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr J Ackerley updated Members on the 2 Magna Park applications and the extended date of
the Local Plan consultation. There was also the Strategic Growth Plan which would be out for
consultation in January 2018

17/98 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WHO HAVE ATTENDED MEETINGS ON BEHALF
OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

  a. Lutterworth & District Museum 25th October 2017 – Clerk to offer the council
     congratulations on the high amount of work undertaken to obtain the accreditation

17/99 CONFIDENTIAL

RESOLVED that due to the confidential nature of the following items of business and
“because publicity would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of
the business to be transacted, the public and the press be excluded from the remainder of
the meeting” and that:

“because the business to be discussed is of a confidential nature relating to members of the
staff, the public and the press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting”.
17/100 “REVIEW OF EVENTS” WORK PARTY

RESOLVED that minutes of the Review of Events Work Party be signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record. The recommendations were discussed individually as follows:-

a. Review of Events Programme

6.1 Picnic in the Park

It was RESOLVED that this event be withdrawn from the future programme from 2019 and that the Clerk and the Events Work Party contact local charitable organisations as soon as possible to gauge interest in them taking over the event in some form.

A recorded vote was requested

For:- J Ackerley, N Ackerley R Coleman, J Gardner, B Howes, D Jones, M Perks, G Robinson, I Staples, P Toye & B Zilberts (11)

Against:- 0

Abstentions:- 1

6.2 Lutterworth in Bloom

It was RESOLVED that this event be withdrawn from the future programme

A recorded vote was requested

For:- J Ackerley, N Ackerley R Coleman, J Gardner, T Hirons, B Howes, D Jones, M Perks, G Robinson, I Staples, P Toye & B Zilberts (12)

Against:- 0

Abstentions:- 0

6.3 Remembrance Sunday Support

It was RESOLVED that this event remain in the programme, however it was RESOLVED that the Events Work Party should investigate the cost of the PA relay and reduce this if possible

A recorded vote was requested

For:- J Ackerley, N Ackerley R Coleman, J Gardner, T Hirons, B Howes, D Jones, M Perks, G Robinson, I Staples, P Toye & B Zilberts (12)

Against:- 0

Abstentions:- 0

6.4 Christmas Lights Switch-on

It was RESOLVED to defer this decision to the January meeting to be held in the public domain.

A recorded vote was requested
For:- N Ackerley, R Coleman, T Hirons, B Howes, D Jones, M Perks, I Staples & B Zilberts (8)

Against:- J Ackerley, J Gardner, G Robinson & P Toye (4)

Abstentions:- 0

6.5 Christmas Lights & Tree

It was RESOLVED to continue to provide a Christmas display and a tree but to look for financial assistance to support this. It was further RESOLVED to go out to tender for the normal three year contract.

A recorded vote was requested

For:- N Ackerley, R Coleman, J Gardner, T Hirons, B Howes, D Jones, M Perks, I Staples, P Toye & B Zilberts (10)

Against:- 0

Abstentions:- 2

7 Next Steps

It was RESOLVED that the Review of Events Work Party be disbanded.

A recorded vote was requested

For:- J Ackerley, N Ackerley, R Coleman, J Gardner, T Hirons, B Howes, D Jones, M Perks, G Robinson, I Staples, P Toye & B Zilberts (12)

Against:- 0

Abstentions:- 0

17/101 STAFFING COMMITTEE

a. RESOLVED that minutes of the Staffing Committee on the 22nd August 2017 be signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record and that the minutes be adopted and that all recommendations contained therein be approved

b. RESOLVED that minutes of the Staffing Committee on the 24th October 2017 be signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record and that the minutes be adopted and that all recommendations contained therein be approved

c. RESOLVED that minutes of the Staffing Committee on the 6th November 2017 be signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record and that the minutes be adopted and that all recommendations contained therein be approved

17/102 ALLOTMENTS WORK PARTY

RESOLVED that minutes of the Allotments Work Party on the 7 November 2017 be signed by the Town Mayor as a correct record subject to the following amendment

3. QS Report 1st paragraph delete “based on the figures provided”
and that the minutes be adopted and that all recommendations contained therein be approved

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The meeting closed at 8.46pm.
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Signed: ............................................

Date: ............................................