

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

COUNCIL

Minutes from the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 4th July, 2019 at 6.30 pm in the Assembly Room - Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

PRESENT: Councillor G Hipperson (Chair)
 Councillors B Ayres, Miss L Bambridge, P Beal, R Blunt, F Bone, C Bower, A Bubb, A Bullen, J Collop, S Collop, C J Crofts, S Dark, M de Whalley, I Devereux, A Dickinson, P Gidney, M Howland, G Howman, C Hudson, B Jones, C Joyce, A Kemp, J Kirk, P Kunes, A Lawrence, B Lawton, B Long, J Lowe, C Manning, G Middleton, J Moriarty, C Morley, S Nash, E Nockolds, T Parish, S Patel, D Pope, J Ratcliffe, C Rose, J Rust, A Ryves, C Sampson, S Sandell, S Squire, M Storey, A Tyler, D Tyler and D Whitby

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Bhondi, Mrs J Collingham, A Holmes, H Humphrey and M Wilkinson

C:16 PRAYERS

Prayers were led by Rev Canon Ling

C:17 MINUTES

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 11 April (2 meetings) and 16 May 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

C:18 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Devereux declared a non pecuniary interest as a Trustee of the Alive Leisure Trust.

C:19 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor reported receipt of a message of thanks from the HM Queen for the birthday greetings sent on behalf of the Borough.

Honorary Alderman Sir Jeremy Bagge was conveying the Council's award of Freedom of the Borough to Sir Richard Jewson following the decision of Council on 11 April 2019.

The Democratic Services Manager explained the process for voting for the large number of outside bodies which was the last item on the agenda.

Ray Harding – Chief Executive

The Mayor informed Council that this was the last Council meeting that the Chief Executive, Ray Harding would attend before his retirement at the end of August. The Mayor in wishing Mr Harding well for his retirement drew attention to the dealings he had had with him over the years and commended his calm and measured approach to any issues put to him.

Councillor Long also wished Mr Harding well for his retirement and commended his calming influence over a number of years working together. He confirmed that Mr Harding would be missed by all who worked with him.

Councillor Moriarty moved a motion to Council to pass a vote of thanks to the Chief Executive at the last formal occasion it had to show its appreciation for his work with the Council, and his measured reasonableness shown over the years. Councillor Long seconded the Motion.

Councillor J Collop, in supporting the Motion concurred that Mr Harding had always been fair in his dealings with Councillors, his knowledge of the Council's business helped with whatever needed dealing with.

Councillor Rust thanked Mr Harding for the work he had been involved with for her as a member of the public up to her election to the Council. She thanked him for his polite respectful approach which had helped proved solutions in order to help people.

Councillor de Whalley thanked Mr Harding for the work carried out on the KLWIN campaign against the incinerator in King's Lynn, he confirmed that his willingness to work with the public was exceptional.

Councillor Mrs Nockolds thanked Mr Harding for all the advice he had given over the years of working together, and for giving her the opportunity to read the Mart proclamation.

RESOLVED: That a formal vote of thanks for the work carried out on behalf of the Council be extended to the Chief Executive, Ray Harding on the event of his forthcoming retirement.

Mr Harding responded to the Council resolution and thanked all for their kind comments and expressed his pleasure at working with everyone over the years.

C:20

URGENT BUSINESS

None

C:21 **PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Under Standing Order 9 the Mayor invited the following public questioners to pose their questions.

1) Question from Mr Alistair Beales

Mr Mayor - Council is shortly to consider the proposed KLIC External Enquiry - Terms of Reference and Appointment of Chair. Can I ask in relation to paragraphs 4 and 5 of the proposed Terms of Reference, how former elected members and officers of this Council are to be involved or perhaps not involved?

In response, Councillor Long reminded all that the terms of reference of the inquiry would be confirmed later in the meeting. He didn't think it appropriate for him to determine how the Chair conducted the inquiry. However he considered that the inquiry would benefit from that input, although it had no power to summon those members to participate, it would be down to willingness to participate.

As a supplementary, Mr Beales commented on media reports with comments from some members of the council which did not reflect the reality. He felt that those comments failed to respect the independent inquiry and judgements should be withheld until the results were available. He asked for reassurance that the Council would continue to operate and develop in order to create jobs and development in the area.

In response Councillor Long stated that if the council allowed the media fervour to inhibit its actions it would be a disservice to the people of the Borough. He reminded all that the KLIC building was full and providing a good return, albeit with the capital investment needing to be repaid but the rate of return exceeded that being paid by any bank. Some of those companies would be needing move on space which the Council would try to facilitate. He considered there was an iconic building for King's Lynn.

2) Question from Dr Pallavi Devulapalli

Ref: Transport Strategy as mentioned in the report by Cllr Peter Gidney.

"Important issues for the town include our rail link to Cambridge, road links with Cambridge and Norwich. Improvements and developments for A149 to Hunstanton and the coast. Kings Lynn Transport Strategy. This work is progressing well, there should be some 'integrated' proposals for scrutiny to be presented by the Autumn."

In view of the climate and ecological emergency we find ourselves in, I hope the council agrees that it is imperative that we reduce emissions

of greenhouse gas emissions from transport in West Norfolk. West Norfolk is the area with the third highest increase in emissions nationally and rates are going up rather than down, according to the initial findings of the King's Lynn Transportation Study, commissioned jointly by the County and Borough Councils in September 2018. The Borough has the third greatest increase in emissions in the UK 2005 to 2013 (Government Dept for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy) and within Norfolk the Borough has the highest per capita CO2 emissions in Norfolk—29% higher than Norfolk average and 34% higher than the national average. (The Borough's Local Plan Review, Sustainability, Appraisal Scoping Report Review 2017).

This is an appalling state of affairs and it arises because residents in West Norfolk have no alternative to the road when it comes to travelling. This amount of road travel is taking its toll in citizen's health, wellbeing and productivity. The most common complaint for people in West Norfolk today is that of traffic congestion, with a huge amount of time lost to traffic jams, resulting in decreased efficiency, as well as vast expense (£1300 per annum per household according to one estimate is lost to slow moving traffic in Kings Lynn) and poorer health.

The only logical solution to this is to reinstate the train lines between Kings Lynn and Norwich, Kings Lynn and Peterborough, and Kings Lynn and Hunstanton.

A modern train line connecting the important towns in West Norfolk with the capital city would go a long way towards boosting the economy and improving people's lives.

Can the Council assure us that they will pursue these train connections with vigour in their Transport Strategy rather than focussing on roads in the interest of citizen's and planetary health?

Councillor Devereux, Cabinet Member for Environment responded as follows:

"Thank You Dr Pallavi for your far reaching and comprehensive question. May I apologise for my incorrect organisational attribution of you and your colleague following our meeting a couple of weeks ago, this will be corrected to Extinction Rebellion.

Your question crosses several of our Borough Council Portfolios and after discussion with colleagues we agreed that I should lead our response on this occasion to address some environmental matters and to make best use of the time available.

In the prelude to your question you mention the increase in emissions in our Borough in the period up to 2013. In my response to questions in Council in April this year (and recorded in the minutes), I reported how in 2008, this Council responded to the County-wide imperative to

characterise and quantify greenhouse gas emission levels and to put in place measures to reduce them. I also referenced the comprehensive scope of work undertaken and continuing to be undertaken to reduce the Council's carbon footprint and to improve resilience to the consequences of Climate Change. Further action was initiated to bring traffic pollution, characterised by NO₂ levels into compliance with the regulations: Two Air Quality Management Areas were established in King's Lynn and the results published regularly on the Borough Council website. The 2018 report shows that NO₂ levels at Gaywood Clock have reduced from over 45 micrograms per cubic meter in 2009, to 38 in 2018; and in the Town Centre from 55 micrograms per cubic meter in 2007 to 45.5 in 2018. The draft Air Quality report for 2019 shows further reductions at both sites, continuing the solid trend downwards. All of these results demonstrate that we have acted on the evidence before us to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and atmospheric pollution. Furthermore we have given a commitment that we will continue this vital work by a programme to establish a new baseline carbon footprint to inform Council decisions on further actions to reduce our emissions for the benefit of our communities.

The King's Lynn Transportation Study is another aspect of the extensive programme of work in hand to improve the 'quality of life' and create a sustainable environment, including reductions in traffic emissions, for those visiting, working and living in, and around, the town. As you rightly identify, we are currently dependent on the car. This is due to the nature of our Market Town set within a large rural Borough, where distances travelled by car from highly dispersed sources are considerable, yet the population volumes travelling on any single route are barely sufficient to support a viable Bus network, let alone justify the large capital investment required for an array of new permanent-way solutions. On the other hand, the increasing demand for travel and commuting towards Cambridge and beyond is creating real opportunities to enhance the existing railway facilities and operations. So, we are working proactively with others supporting the upgrading of the rail-service between King's Lynn and London which includes significant improvements to all of the North West Norfolk stations on this service. However, as a nationally led project with significant timescale and resourcing constraints, this Council has limited freedom of action. Consequently our prime focus is on those projects and facilities that are under our control. Of course, we will also continue to take advantage of work undertaken by others, such as the adoption of evolving automotive technology which is already starting to reduce travel related emissions. Similarly there are opportunities for stimulating changes to individual behaviours to encourage walking and cycling through joined up greenways and off-road routes.

These are some of our current priorities and costed plans for the next few years, but we will remain vigilant to evolving external factors and developing National Policies that will drive our future plans and actions. I have no doubt that we will continue to interact, and hopefully, we will

identify projects and activities that will enable us both to deliver solutions and outcomes that benefit the communities we serve.”

By way of supplementary Dr Devulapalli stated her disappointment in the response and reminded members that the 0% emissions would be enshrined in legislation.

Councillor Long responded that further meetings had been offered with the group to discuss the Council’s approach. He referred to the request to re-establish rail lines between Downham and Norwich and what the Council were doing to improve cycling and activity.

Councillor Long explained that the Council was concentrating on lobbying for the half hour timings of trains from London to King’s Lynn which would improve the ability to meet other connections at Ely. Once this was achieved other options could be examined.

C:22 **CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS**

i **Business Development - Councillor G Middleton**

Councillor Middleton presented his report. He responded to questions from Councillor Rust on his report where he responded that his vision for the town centre included jobs to fulfil the needs of people to find work and encouraging larger businesses to target their apprentice levies where others also needed it.

In response to a question from Councillor J Collop on what he would be able to do for the high streets in decline, Councillor Middleton gave detail of a parliamentary group he had attended encouraging doing something different in the town centres including improving the living offer in the town. When Councillor Collop further questioned the management of the “in town” and “out of town” retail Councillor Middleton responded that the out of town units created growth and business rates for the town, although the arrival of H&M to the town centre was significant for the town.

Following a question from Councillor Kemp on the encouragement of agritech and life sciences to the area and the possibility of a Parkway station, Councillor Middleton drew attention to the regeneration of the NORA area including roads and buildings which with the advent of 30 min trains from London would assist in encouraging businesses to come to the town, although the new station was not within the Council’s remit.

Councillor Pope asked what was being done for the rural areas of the borough, to which Councillor Middleton confirmed that whilst the Council had a large land holding in the town which drove the Council’s capital investment so giving good returns, he had asked for a report to

be done for Hunstanton and Downham Market in the same way it had been done for King's Lynn.

In response to Councillor Rust's question on the inclusion of the Pride March to the Council's list of events Councillor Middleton undertook to include it in the list.

Councillor Squires asked why Hunstanton and Downham hadn't been included in bids for funding for town centres with King's Lynn, to which Councillor Middleton confirmed that only 1 bid per Council was permitted.

Councillor Parish asked why he hadn't included Heacham in his request for a report on other towns in the borough when the Council had land holdings in the village. Councillor Middleton responded that there were only so many projects which could be supported at any one time.

ii **Commercial Services - Councillor P Kunes**

Councillor Kunes presented his report, and agreed to attend a meeting with Councillor Rust and taxi drivers to discuss the Sainsbury's car park.

In response to a question from Councillor Squires on water levels in the Gayton Road Cemetery, Councillor Kunes confirmed that the levels were being monitored to see if the water levels were seasonal. Some areas couldn't currently be used, he undertook to keep members informed. Following a question from Councillor S Collop on the fact that it was not possible to purchase a plot in the Cemetery, Councillor Kunes explained that it was because most of the area had been pre purchased, and was nearly full.

Councillor Parish asked why no 2 hour charges were available in Heacham car parks. It was confirmed that this was due to the charges being for a 3rd hour free, so the fee paid was for 2 hours, but 3 were given.

Councillor Howman asked for detail on the On street car parking meeting he had attended, to which it was explained that the Council carried out car parking enforcement on behalf of other authorities.

In response to Councillor Pope's question about the ability to access old documents on the Council's mod gov system Councillor Kunes suggested most information was available on the web site and Democratic Services would be able to assist. He also suggested that any councillors having issued with Ipads to let him know.

iii **Development - Councillor R Blunt**

Councillor Blunt presented his report and following a question from Councillor Moriarty expanded on the meeting on 8 March where the gentleman's views and plans were listened to. He confirmed that further meetings weren't planned at this stage.

Councillor S Collop asked when the re-naming of the Alderman Jackson orchard would take place. Councillor Blunt undertook to look into it.

Councillor Kemp commented that South Lynn would like to prepare a neighbourhood plan and asked for a moratorium to be placed on traffic works and proposed housing in flood risk areas. Councillor Blunt responded that nothing had been put to the Council yet on the Harding's Way South, and flood risk assessments would be required for any planning applications submitted.

In response to a question from Councillor Pope on building control work to a property in his ward, Councillor Blunt reminded members that the building control function was outsourced to CNC, but was also carried out by a number of private firms. He suggested that any complaints should be referred to the building control over arching body.

iv **Environment - I Devereux**

Councillor Devereux presented his report and in response to Councillor A Tyler's question on whether the Borough would continue to support the work in North Lynn to tackle fly tipping, Councillor Devereux confirmed that he would continue try to help communities that were trying to help themselves. Councillor Tyler then drew attention to the potential environmental legislative changes which would likely come into force. Councillor Devereux confirmed that the Council would try to observe new requirements.

Councillor Moriarty made reference to the recent LGA decisions on asking the government to explore available funding for local authorities to tackle climate change; have sustainable development goals; and agree with the climate emergency. He asked if the Council would support those issues, to which Councillor Devereux confirmed that meetings were taking place to understand the technical points made and what would be needed to do to help with it. He welcomed resources to assist with this as requested by the LGA.

In response to a question from Councillor Parish on getting tractors to pick up litter bags rather than cut them when grass cutting or leave them, Councillor Devereux suggested that they not be fly tipped around bins.

Councillor Parish also asked when something would be seen on the single use plastic task group front, to which it was explained that it had to go to Cabinet in due course.

Councillor Beal, in relation to the blue flag awards sought by Hunstanton, raised the issue of waste disposal by some sea front traders who were allegedly putting their liquid waste down the drains which then went onto the beach. Councillor Devereux reported that he had asked officers across a number of departments to look into this. He invited members with any evidence to report it to the Resorts Operations Manager. He was also waiting on the Environment agency to respond to some enquiries.

Councillor Devereux undertook to check his diary commitments when requested to join Councillor Squire and a friend on 23 July for a beach clean. He also agreed to follow up with the Environment Agency about poor water quality when there was heavy rain.

Following a question from Councillor Kemp about pot holes along the footpath on the riverbank in West Lynn Councillor Devereux suggested contacting the King's Lynn Area Committee to make a bid to the County Council under the Parish Partnerships Fund.

Responding to Councillor Jones re bringing the refuse contracts back in house, Councillor Devereux explained that the contract arrangements for the tender were already well under way.

v **Housing - Councillor A Lawrence**

Councillor Lawrence presented his report and in response to a request from Councillor Moriarty agreed to request Freebridge Community Housing to present either to a pre Council briefing or to a Panel meeting on the changes to their Board and the need to maintain the good working relationship between the two.

In response to a question from Councillor J Collop on the numbers of houses in multiple occupation that were now registered, Councillor Lawrence explained that landlords were encouraged to register, he undertook to provide the figures.

Following a question from Councillor Rust regarding the number of landlords participating in the support for rough sleepers through the winter night shelter Councillor Lawrence directed the query to the Purfleet Trust.

Councillor Howman asked for details on the number of shared ownership properties coming through to which Councillor Lawrence undertook to send the figures out.

Councillor Rust asked how the success of the hospital discharge team could be assessed to which Councillor Lawrence stated that it was when patients could be discharged to their own homes quickly, so releasing bed blocking.

vi **Project Delivery - Councillor P Gidney**

Councillor Gidney presented his report. Councillor Moriarty asked when the King's Lynn Area Transport Strategy would be released, to which Councillor Blunt, as the portfolio holder responsible explained that there were problems getting the modelling to work but it would come forward asap.

Councillor Beal asked whether the Hunstanton Seafront report would be released for public consultation specifically to the Hunstanton Coastal Communities Team, to which Councillor Gidney confirmed it would and would go to the relevant Panel.

In response to questions from Councillor Parish, Councillor Gidney explained that there was nothing he was aware of for road works on the A149, and suggested that any signage changes would have to wait to see what was suggested.

Councillor Rust asked what the projected income for the extension to the pontoons was and how the income and costs could be justified. Councillor Gidney undertook to provide the information.

vii **Deputy Leader and Culture, Heritage and Health - Councillor Mrs E Nockolds**

Councillor Mrs Nockolds presented her report, and in response to Councillor Bone's question on whether the Custom House would remain open, responded that when it was closed a number of maintenance jobs were carried out, and the completion was into the tourist season so the TIC was not moved back. While the building was closed it was being looked into to see if there were any other projects which the building could be used for. The lease for the Custom House required that the building ordinarily remain open. She also confirmed that the numbers for the stories of Lynn had increased.

Councillor Kemp asked what was being done for the people of South Lynn when the St James' Surgery moved, to which Councillor Mrs Nockolds responded that the STP had been looked at and they were planning on working with clusters of surgeries including district nurses.

In response to a question about what the Council was doing for the Guildhall, Councillor Mrs Nockolds reminded members that the Council was meeting with the Shakespeare Trust to create a vision for the

Guildhall and prepare expressions of interest for the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Councillor A Tyler asked about a portrait in the Guildhall and a freeze in another building to which Councillor Mrs Nockolds informed him that the Lady Fermoy painting was due to be cleaned by the Museums service, the freeze was not is significant importance.

Following a question from Councillor Rust regarding what support and encouragement was being offered to the Fairstead Surgery owners to apply for funding to improve the surgery rather than close it, Councillor Mrs Nockolds confirmed she had expressed her concern about the closure of the surgery, the Leader had offered to help with the financing of a surgery as the Council didn't want to see it go.

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Leader and Resources - Councillor B Long

Councillor Long presented his report and in response to Councillor Howman's question relating to the fact that the Council land which was sold in order to build a surgery, and the NHS had then sold the land for housing development, he encouraged members to make representation on the planning application as it was important that there was a good surgery available for the public. He confirmed he had offered financial assistance but the surgery had been sold. He made reference to the consultation process which was taking place and the Care Quality Commissions rating of the surgery which now rated it as good. He also confirmed he considered it wrong to build anything else on the site.

Councillor Moriarty asked the Leader whether he considered Cabinet Members should take part in scrutiny items other than answering questions as recommended in the good scrutiny guide. Councillor Long confirmed Cabinet members attended meetings to impart any additional knowledge they may hold and to answer questions which officers should not. He stated that the Chairman of the Body concerned was the person who could dictate who could and couldn't speak. He noted the request for Cabinet Members not to be as involved in Panel meetings but expressed the view that Cabinet Members attended because they were interested in the subject matter.

Councillor Squire in referencing the LEP meeting the Leader had attended asked whether the LEP investment in the area was small because the Council had voted against Devolution, to which Councillor Long responded that he had attended the meeting as it was held in King's Lynn, and the Council had joined the New Anglia LEP as it was only possible to be a member of one, and he did not want to see devolution through having to join the Cambridge combined authority. He also confirmed he had raised the issues raised at the time with the local MP.

The Leader confirmed to Councillor A Tyler that he was due to attend the Norfolk Area of Outstanding Beauty conference the following week and he pointed out that the Body was lobbying for them to be a statutory consultee for planning for areas they covered.

In response to a question from Councillor Howland on the repayment of the loan to Northampton Council Councillor Long confirmed that there was no indication that the loan would not be repaid. In response to Councillor Howland's point regarding money spent on the KLIC which could have been spent elsewhere Councillor Long commented that the money loaned was being repaid at a good rate of interest.

Following a question from Councillor Rust on the percentage of businesses in the KLIC building that were new, Councillor Long commented that regardless of which businesses were new they paid their rent, employed staff and helped stimulate the economy.

In response to Councillor J Collop's point requesting the Council's finances be put onto Panel agendas, Councillor Long reminded members that he did not control the Panel agendas but any members of the panel could request things to be added.

In response to Councillor Pope's question on whether the conservative election literature would be the Corporate Strategy, Councillor Long commented that it would be part of the things being brought forward.

C:23 **MEMBERS QUESTION TIME**

Councillor Squire asked the Chair of Planning Committee whether he would allow for a separate meeting to scrutinise officer decisions on the Planning Committee. Councillor Crofts declined the request and commented that it was not helpful of cost effective and members had the opportunity to ask questions in the Committee.

Councillor Squire asked the Chair of the Environment and Community panel why it had allowed the air quality monitoring reports to be dropped from their agenda, to which Councillor Sampson reported that it was a Panel decision taken at the time as there was little change, however they would look at them again and officers had been asked to vary how it was reported back to the Panel. He also reminded Members that they could ask for items to be added to the agenda.

C:24 **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COUNCIL BODIES**

i **Cabinet: 18 June 2019**

Councillor Long proposed the following recommendations, seconded by Councillor Nockolds:

CAB9: KLIC External Enquiry - Terms of Reference and Appointment of Chair

In debating the item, Councillor Joyce commented that he wanted to see the truth come through including how NWES became involved. He considered that the terms of reference were too weak.

Councillor Moriarty made reference to a meeting he had with Lord Porter who had assured him that if the LGA believed there was a cover up they would not participate.

On being put to the vote the recommendation was agreed.

Councillor Long proposed the following items, seconded by Councillor Nockolds:

- CAB13: Food and Garden Waste Treatment – Procurement**
CAB14: King's Lynn Area Consultative Committee - Review
CAB16: Amendments to the Scheme of Delegation

On being put to the vote the recommendations were approved.

Councillor Long proposed the following items, seconded by Councillor Nockolds:

CAB15: Council Governance

In debating the item Councillor J Collop proposed an amendment that the Group consist of 6 members (2 Con, 2 Ind and 2 Lab). This was seconded by Councillor Rust.

In debating the amendment it was noted that the recommendation that had come from the Cabinet was in order for the Body to be a formal Task Group and Councillors Long and Moriarty expressed the view that it was preferable to have it as a formal proportional Task Group. The Monitoring Officer confirmed that the Council could decide the shape of the Body it wished to set up.

On being put to the vote the amendment was lost.

On putting the substantive motion to the vote it was carried.

The following item was taken at the end of the agenda after the Outside Bodies appointments.

The Mayor suggested that as it was likely that confidential information would be discussed the Council should exclude the Press and Public. Councillor Moriarty spoke against the exclusion. On being put to the

vote, on the Mayor's casting vote Council agreed to exclude the press and public.

Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED: That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

Councillor Long proposed the recommendations in **CAB22: Cinema Development** which were seconded by Councillor Mrs Nockolds.

A debate on the recommendations ensued where the acceptance of the proposal by the Majestic was noted, the figures which were quoted in the report were questioned by Councillor Rust, more detailed costings were requested by Councillor Hudson, and the level of borrowing which would be required discussed and the length of borrowing raised by Councillor Parish. The debate included views from Councillor Moriarty that the proposal was not future proofed and it was unlikely that the Cinema would make money when a small number of tickets were sold. Councillor Joyce commented that if young people didn't support it then it was a good case against it.

Councillor Ryves spoke for the proposal with it being a fantastic proposal for the town, and would be ambitious with the proposal and include a high quality food offer.

Councillor J Collop commented that he felt it hadn't been researched sufficiently. Councillor Kemp expressed concern about the capital costs. Councillor Tyler commented that he did not know if the demand would be sufficient to give the income required with the popularity of home viewing.

Councillor Dark commented that it was to support the Town Centre, and that it was not possible to predict what would happen in the future whereas the numbers visiting the cinema at the present time was high.

Councillor Howland reported he had only heard about the proposals in the newspaper. Councillor Morley commented that he considered the Council should have gone to a market research company to look at the potential footfall etc. He suggested a delay for more research to be done, but the repairs to the building to be carried out.

Councillor Mrs Nockolds explained that originally the White Barn was considered for a cinema, but with the discussions taking place on the Guildhall the Corn Exchange was considered. She acknowledged that the Council was not an expert in these issues so had engaged consultants to look at the costs and proposals and where people went for entertainment. She explained that the costs were estimated and

would go out to tender. If the costs came back too high it wouldn't go ahead.

In summing up Councillor Long commented that it was attempting to reduce the subsidy on the Corn Exchange and utilising that area of the building. He drew attention to the fact that some would prefer to stay at home but many wanted to experience the cinema. He also commented that loans could also potentially be repaid sooner.

On being put to the vote the recommendations were approved. Councillor Moriarty wished for his vote against the recommendations to be recorded.

RESOLVED: That the recommendations from the 18 June 2019 Cabinet meeting be approved.

C:25 **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES AND INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARDS**

Council was invited to nominate to the outside bodies and Internal Drainage Boards set out in the agenda. Council approved those nominations which were within the required limits and agreed to vote for those where there were more nominations than places available.

There remained vacancies for Bexwell Poor's Land, Downham Market Sports Centre Management Committee and William Cleave Educational Foundation. Nominations were invited. Councillor Ryves was nominated for the Downham Market Sports Centre Management Committee, this was agreed.

RESOLVED: At 9.30pm, under Standing Order 33, the Council agreed to continue to sit.

The following Panel recommendations were agreed:

- 1) Borough Council/College of West Anglia Liaison Board - Councillor Lowe
- 2) King's Lynn and West Norfolk Area Museums Committee - Councillors Bubb, de Whalley and Kemp.
- 3) West Norfolk Community Transport Project - Councillor Moriarty
- 4) King's Lynn Football Club - The Panel nominated Councillor Pope who has subsequently declined the nomination. This will be referred back to the E&C Panel.

For the vacancies for the substitutes for the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub-Panel and Norfolk Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Councillor Bubb was nominated. This was agreed.

Attached to the Minutes is the full list of those appointed to outside bodies and IDBs following the votes taken.

RESOLVED: 1) That the Council appoints representatives to serve on the outside bodies and partnerships listed in the Parish level and General categories as attached.

2) That Council approves the appointment of representatives nominated by the Panels to serve on outside bodies and partnerships which fall within the Scrutiny and Regulatory categories as shown in point 4.1 of the report and Council nominates members to serve on the scrutiny outside bodies for which no nominations were made by the Panels

3) That Council appoints representatives to serve on the Internal Drainage Boards listed in the Appendix attached.

4) That nominations be invited from appropriate Parish Councils to fill any vacancies on the Internal Drainage Boards not taken up by Borough Council, in accordance with current Council policy

5) That the reporting arrangements be noted, as shown in section 3 of the report

6) That Council notes that the Safer Neighbourhood Action Panels have been disbanded, therefore no appointments are necessary

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm

APPENDIX 1**APPOINTMENTS MADE BY FULL COUNCIL ON 4TH JULY 2019**

<u>NAME OF OUTSIDE BODY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES PERMITTED</u>	<u>AGREED REPRESENTATIVE/S</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE</u>
Backham Almshouse Trust	1 Parish Level	Sally Twyman	Annual
Bexwell Poors Land Charity	2 Parish Level	T White + 1 vacancy	4 years
Brancaster Commons Committee	1 Parish Level	B Lawton	Annual
Burnham Overy Harbour Management Committee	1 Parish Level	S Sandell	Annual
Downham Market Leisure Centre Joint Management Committee	2 General	M Howland and A Ryves	Annual
Freebridge Community Housing Board	2 General	M Hopkins and B Long	Annual
Gaywood Allotment Trust	4 Parish	S Collop, J Lowe, T Smith and S Young	4 years. Next appointment due May 2023.
Hunstanton and District Arts Festival	1 Parish	C Bower	Annual
Hunstanton Coastal Prosperity Community Team	3 Parish	P Beal, C Bower + 1 vacancy	Annual
John Sugars Almshouses Charity	4 Parish Level	L Bambridge, F Bone, J Minns and Sally Twyman	Annual
King's Lynn and West Norfolk Area Museums Committee	1 General	A Tyler	Annual
King's Lynn Borough Charity	2 General	C Bower and T Bubb	4 years
King's Lynn Emmerich Twinning Club	2 General	A Dickinson and A Ryves	4 years (next appointment)

			due May 2023)
King's Lynn Town Centre Partnership	2 Parish	L Bambridge and F Bone	Annual
Marriott's Warehouse	3 General	C Bower, P Gidney and Dr Richards.	4 years
North End Trust	1 Parish Level	E Nockolds	Annual
Outwell Charities	1 General	C Crofts	Annual
Queen Elizabeth Hospital Governors Council	1 General	P Kunes	Annual
Sibelco – Leziate Quarry Liaison Committee	2 Parish Level	M Howland and C Manning	Annual
West Norfolk and King's Lynn Girls School Trust	1 General	Mrs E Nockolds	4 years (next appointment due May 2023)
West Norfolk Youth Advisory Group	1 General	J Lowe	Annual
West Walton Poors Charity	1 Parish Level	Mrs B Porter – Parish Council	3 years
William Cleave Educational Foundation	2 Parish Level	Miss L Bambridge + 1 vacancy	2 years

APPENDIX 2

INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Drainage Board	No of reps Council permitted nominate to	Parishes in Drainage Board area	Borough representatives Council
East of Ouse, Polver and the Nar	12	St Germans/St Peter KL West Winch Blackborough End East Winch Pentney Wormegay Tottenhill Watlington Runcton Holme Marham Shouldham Stow Bridge	A Bullen C Crofts P Gidney G Hipperson M Howland C Joyce B Long S Nash D Pope C Rose D Whitby
Churchfield and Plawfield	9	Outwell Upwell Three Holes	C Crofts D Pope
Downham and Stow Bardolph	4	Stow Bardolph (Stow Bridge & Barroway Drove) Downham West Outwell Marshland St James	C Crofts D Pope S Patel D Tyler
King's Lynn	Reconstituted Sept 2012 from 15 to 10 Agd Cncl 27.9.12 Reversed back to 15 on 30.11.12 Agreed 10 Members at Council on 26 June 2014	Those previously served by the following IDBs: Gaywood Magdalen Marshland Smeeth & Fen West of Ouse Wingland	B Ayres T Bubb C Crofts I Devereux Lord Howard J Kirk P Kunes B Long E Nockolds D Whitby
Littleport and Downham	1	Welney Denver Hilgay Southery	A White

Drainage Board	No of reps Council permitted to nominate	Parishes in Drainage Board area	Borough representatives Council
Manea and Welney	1	Welney	C Crofts
Middle Level Commissioners	1		C Crofts
Needham and Laddus	9	Outwell Upwell	C Crofts D Pope
Norfolk Rivers	1	Those previously served by the following IDBs: North Norfolk Upper Nar	I Devereux
Southery and District	8	Southery Hilgay Feltwell Hockwold Methwold	A Bullen A Holmes M Peake A Ryves M Storey D Whitby A White
Stringsides	1	Fincham Barton Bendish Boughton Stradsett Oxborough	A Holmes
Stoke Ferry	9	Stoke Ferry Wereham Wretton West Dereham Ryston Fordham Roxham Denver Downham Market Wimbotsham Stow Bridge	A Bullen C Crofts A Holmes D Pope A Ryves C Sampson D Tyler D Whitby A White
Upwell	3	Upwell Downham West Lakesend Welney	C Crofts D Pope S Calton