

**BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK**

**COUNCIL**

**Minutes from the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 14th June, 2018  
at 6.30 pm in the Assembly Room, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place,  
King's Lynn PE30 5DQ**

**PRESENT:** Councillor N Daubney (Chairman)  
Councillors B Ayres, Miss L Bambridge, A Beales, R Blunt, Mrs C Bower,  
A Bubb, Mrs J Collingham, J Collop, Mrs S Collop, I Devereux, Mrs S Fraser,  
P Gidney, P Hodson, M Chenery of Horsbrugh, Lord Howard, M Howland,  
G Howman, H Humphrey, C Joyce, P Kunes, A Lawrence, B Long, C Manning,  
G Middleton, J Moriarty, A Morrison, Mrs E Nockolds, T Parish, M Peake,  
C Sampson, Miss S Sandell, M Shorting, T Smith, Mrs V Spikings, M Storey,  
M Taylor, T Tilbrook, A Tyler, D Tyler, Mrs E Watson, J Westrop, D Whitby,  
A White, Mrs M Wilkinson and Mrs S Young.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Anota, P Beal,  
C J Crofts, G Hipperson, M Hopkins, G McGuinness, Mrs K Mellish, D Pope,  
P Rochford, Mrs S Squire and T Wing-Pentelow

C:15 **PRAYERS**

Prayers were led by the Rev Canon Ling, and the Late County  
Councillor Cliff Jordon was remembered in the Prayers.

C:16 **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** The Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 12  
April and 10 May 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed  
by the Mayor.

C:17 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

C:18 **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor reported that he had sent congratulations to HRH Prince  
Harry and Ms Megan Markle on their marriage, and birthday wishes to  
HRH the Queen and HRH Prince Philip on the occasion of their  
birthdays.

C:19 **URGENT BUSINESS**

None

C:20 **PETITIONS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

None

C:21 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION - REVIEW OF BOROUGH WARDS**

The Council was presented with the final recommendations of the Local Government Boundary Commission on the Borough's Boundaries which had been placed before Parliament for approval to come into effect for the May 2019 Borough elections.

Councillor Long expressed frustration and unhappiness with the provision of multi member wards in the final proposals when the brief had been to reduce the number of multi member wards. He also expressed dissatisfaction with the fact that some individual comments had been taken into account over and above those supported by the full Council.

Councillor J Collop supported the stance taken by the Leader, in particular the situation regarding single member wards.

**RESOLVED:** That the final recommendations of the Local Government Boundary Commission on the Borough's Boundaries having been placed before Parliament.

C:22 **CABINET MEMBERS REPORTS**

i **Corporate Projects and Assets - Councillor A Beales**

Councillor Beales presented his report. He responded to questions on the changes in the lease for the King's Lynn Football Club which was ongoing but aimed to improve the situation with the car park for the Walks and amend their lease. In response to the suggestion of naming a road after Alderman Jackson after the school bearing his name had been demolished, as the roads in the development had already been named it was suggested that the orchard area could be named in his honour.

On request, Councillor Beales gave an update on his activities in the previous month including spending the day in London to see potential investors in the Waterfront scheme where there had been interest shown, he agreed to update members in the future when any information was available.

ii **Development - Councillor R Blunt**

Councillor Blunt presented his report. In response to a question regarding the enforcement of planning conditions on the site in

Heacham, Councillor Blunt confirmed that the conditions were being monitored and would be enforced if necessary. The landscaping work would be completed at the end of the build.

iii **Housing and Community - Councillor A Lawrence**

Councillor Lawrence presented his report. In response to a question on the change in requirements for fixed odds terminals, Councillor Lawrence confirmed he was happy with the change which would help prevent people getting into gambling debt.

Following a question, Councillor Lawrence gave an update on the visit to the housing developments in the town by the Housing Minister Dominic Raab who also presented house keys to a young couple who had purchased one of the homes. The Minister had reported that he was impressed with the operation and would take the information back to Westminster. A decision was now awaited on the outcome of the funding application for the West Winch Road.

As a response to a question on the change in law relating to the registration of Houses in Multiple Occupation Councillor Lawrence confirmed that the fees to be set for the registration would mean that the additional registrations would be cost neutral to the Council as they would have to cover the workload involved by officers.

iv **Environment - Councillor I Devereux**

Councillor Devereux presented his report. He updated his report by correcting the second prize winner in his report which should be Dersingham Community Centre.

Councillor Devereux gave an update on a Parliamentary debate on coastal erosion and flooding for which a brief had been provided to Sir Henry Bellingham MP who made the following interventions : extolled the success of the business led Community Interest Company funding a lot of beach repairs, projected the need for additional ring fenced funding, with possible local precepts and better partnership funding to meet increased demand for finance compounded by the disappearing Revenue Support Grant. The debate delivered cross party support and raised the funding profile with Government departments. The Prime Minister had also been asked a question regarding the funding of flood defence which had received a positive response.

In response to a question on the marketing of brown bins and whether there should be a campaign for such, Councillor Devereux confirmed that he would continue to promote and market the service.

Councillor Devereux agreed to ascertain whether households with black bag collections were required to pay for their bags. He also

explained that the suggestion for a communal place to leave black sacks had resulted in an increase in fly tipping in the area in the past.

In response to a question regarding the Green Points scheme, Councillor Devereux confirmed it had ceased to exist, and undertook to look into the continued emails being received.

Following a question on the level of fly tipping in the Borough Councillor Devereux drew attention to the recent EDP article and explained that he would be asking the Norfolk Waste Partnership to review progress and the evidence found. In response to a question on the breakdown of costs of collecting fly tipping from Borough/public land and Freebridge property and domestic and commercial, Councillor Devereux undertook to look into the information.

v **Facilities and IT - Councillor Mrs K Mellish**

Councillor Mrs Mellish was not present at the meeting, Members were invited to send any questions via email.

vi **Performance - Councillor P Hodson**

Councillor Hodson presented his report and in response to questions regarding the footfall in the High Street since the new shop had opened explained that the cameras counting footfall were in the Vancouver Centre, but were being looked into for the High Street end of town. Following a comment about the leaves in the town centre that day, Councillor Hodson explained that when the wind ceased they could be cleared by not while the strong wind was still blowing.

In response to a comment on the Hunstanton Sea Front proposals and whether any funding would be forthcoming for Heacham in the near future it was confirmed that there wasn't anything proposed at the present time.

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

Councillor Mrs Nockolds presented her report. In response to a question regarding the grass cutting in some areas she acknowledged that the grass was long, but explained that the Council had been unable to recruit the seasonal staff this year leaving the service short staffed for the time of year. Every effort was being made to improve the situation.

Councillor Mrs Nockolds agreed to find out the sum above that paid for which was spent on cutting the Norfolk County Council grass and being passed to Special expenses.

Following a question on the Community Lottery Councillor Mrs Nockolds explained that the promoters received 4% income, 1500 tickets were sold per week, the draw was weekly and the majority of purchases opted for the West Norfolk Wins pot.

Councillor Mrs Nockolds explained she had attended the Ely North Junction Rail summit on behalf of the Leader. She considered that all the organisations present were working well together to bring it to fruition.

viii **Leader and Resources - Councillor B Long**

Councillor Long presented his report. There were no questions.

C:23 **MEMBERS QUESTION TIME**

None

C:24 **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COUNCIL BODIES**

i **Cabinet: 17 April 2018**

The recommendation from the Cabinet meeting on 17 April 2018 was proposed by Councillor Long and seconded by Councillor Nockolds.

CAB147: Review of Key Decision Level

**RESOLVED:** That the recommendation be approved.

ii **Cabinet : 29 May 2018**

The recommendations from the Cabinet meeting on 29 May 2018 were proposed by Councillor Long and seconded by Councillor Nockolds.

CAB12: Update to the Health and Safety Policy

CAB13: Uncontested Parish Council Election Costs

CAB14: Reduction in Parish Council Numbers - Dersingham & Nordelph

CAB15: Hillington Polling Place

**RESOLVED:** That the recommendations be approved.

C:25 **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2018/19**

Council was invited to appoint representatives to Outside Bodies as set out in the report.

The Scrutiny nominations and the nominations from the Conservative Group which were available in advance had been distributed. These were moved by Councillor Long including the change to the list of Emmerich Twinning Club from Councillor T Smith to M Taylor and Downham Market SNAP – change from Councillor D Pope to J Westrop. Any other nominations were invited.

Councillor J Collop proposed the following by way of amendment:

Gaywood Fuel Allotment Trust – Councillors S Collop and G Howman  
Queen Elizabeth Hospital Governors – Councillor G Howman  
Hunstanton Sailing Club – Councillor J Collop  
Freebridge Community Housing Board – Councillor G Howman

On being put to the vote each of the nominations moved by amendment were lost.

**RESOLVED:** 1) That the representatives be appointed to serve on the outside bodies and partnerships listed in the Parish level and General categories as shown at Appendix.

2) That the appointment of representatives nominated by the Environment and Community Panel and Corporate Performance Panel to serve on outside bodies and partnerships which fall within the Scrutiny and Regulatory categories as shown in part 4.1 of the report and Council nominates members to serve on the scrutiny outside bodies if no nominations were made by the Panels.

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

4) That the Hunstanton Green Joint Management Committee be disbanded.

**The meeting closed at 7.43 pm**

**OUTSIDE BODY APPOINTMENTS MADE BY FULL COUNCIL ON 14 JUNE 2018**

*For information only - Executive appointments linking with those bodies are shown in italics*

<u>NAME OF OUTSIDE BODY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES PERMITTED</u>	<u>NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVE/S</u>	<u>TERM OF OFFICE</u>
Backhams Almshouses Trust	1 Parish	Sally Twyman (non-council)	Annual
Bexwell Poors Land Charity	1 Parish	T White	Annual
Borough Council/College of West Anglia Liaison Board	1 Scrutiny <i>1 Exec</i>	T Smith <i>B Long (appointed by Cabinet)</i>	Annual
Brancaster Commons Committee	1 Parish	Mrs E Watson	Annual
Burnham Overy Harbour Management Committee	1 Parish	Miss S Sandell	Annual
Downham Market Leisure Centre Joint Management Committee	2 General <i>1 Exec</i>	Mrs J Westrop and M Howland <i>Mrs K Mellish (appointed by Cabinet)</i>	Annual
Freebridge Community Housing Board	2 General	M Hopkins and B Long	Annual
Gaywood Allotment Trust	4 General	G Middleton, T Smith, M Shorting and Mrs S Young	Annual
Hunstanton and District Festival of Arts	1 Parish	Mrs C Bower	Annual
Hunstanton Regeneration Project Team	3 Parish <i>1 Exec</i>	P Beal, R Bird and Mrs C Bower <i>A Beales and P Hodson (appointed by Cabinet)</i>	Annual
Hunstanton Sailing Club Development Sub Committee	1 Scrutiny	Councillor P Beal	Annual
John Sugars Almshouses Charity	2 General	Miss L Bambridge, Sally Twyman (non-council) and	Annual

		Janice Minns (non-Council)	
King's Lynn and West Norfolk Area Museums Committee	3 Scrutiny  1 General <i>1 Exec</i>	A Bubb, T Smith and Mrs J Westrop  A Tyler <i>Mrs E Nockolds</i>	Annual
King's Lynn Emmerich Twinning Club	2 General	A Tyler and M Taylor	Annual
King's Lynn Town Centre Partnership	2 Parish level <i>2 Exec</i>	L Bambridge and M Taylor <i>B Long and P Hodson</i>	Annual
King's Lynn Town Football Club	1 Scrutiny	Mrs J Westrop	Annual
Marriott's Warehouse	3 General	P Gidney, Dr Richards (non-council) and Mrs J Westrop	Annual
Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub-Panel	1 Scrutiny and 1 sub	Mrs J Westrop & Mrs S Fraser (sub)	Annual
Norfolk Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	1 Scrutiny and 1 sub	Mrs S Fraser & T Smith (sub)	Annual
North End Trust	1 Parish	Mrs E Nockolds	Annual
Outwell Charities	1 Parish	C J Crofts	Annual
Queen Elizabeth Hospital Governors Council	1 General	P Kunes	Annual
Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel – Downham Market	2 Parish	M Howland and J Westrop	Annual
Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel – Hunstanton	2 Parish	P Beal and T Bubb	Annual
Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel – King's Lynn	2 Parish	Miss L Bambridge and A Tyler	Annual
Sibelco – Leziat Quarry Liaison Committee	2 Parish	A Beales and J Moriarty	Annual



West Norfolk and King's Lynn Girls School Trust	1 General	Mrs E Nockolds	Annual
West Norfolk Community Transport Project	1 Scrutiny	Mrs S Fraser	Annual
West Norfolk Youth Advisory Group	1 General	1 vacancy	Annual
West Walton Pools Charity	1 General	Mrs B Porter (non-council)	Annual
William Cleave Educational Foundation	2 Parish	Miss L Bambridge and Mrs S Fraser	Annual