

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, THORNE ON TUESDAY 11th MAY 2010 AT 7.00PM.

Present: Cllrs. D. W. Barton, P. Best, A. Brookes, B. M. Chowings, M. Green, K. Redmile, P. Richardson, C. Taylor-Hatem, J. P. Walker, R. Walker, A. Want, C. Williams and M. Williams.

Apologies: Cllr. D. Dallas – personal.

1636. APOINTMENT OF TOWN MAYOR

Cllr. A. Brookes was proposed and seconded for the post of Town Mayor for the forthcoming year.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. A. Brookes be appointed Town Mayor.

Cllr. Brookes then took the Chair.

1637. TO RECEIVE THE MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The declaration was duly signed by Cllr. A. Brookes and witnessed by the Town Clerk.

1638. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations were made:

Cllr. P. Best declared a prejudicial interest in the Windfarm as a member of a pressure group and the Summer Festival item as chair of the event.

Cllr. J. Walker declared a personal interest in the Windfarm as a member of a pressure group.

1639. RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote was requested for the election of the Deputy Mayor, Leader, Deputy Leader and Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Standing Committees.

1640. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Recorded vote:

For Cllr. K. Redmile: Cllrs. M. Williams, C. Williams, M. Green, C. Taylor-Hatem, A. Brookes, K. Redmile, D. Barton and J. Walker.

For Cllr. R. Walker: Cllrs. P. Richardson, A. Want, P. Best, M. Chowings and R. Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. Redmile be appointed as Deputy Mayor.

1641. TO RECEIVE THE DEPUTY MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The declaration was duly signed by Cllr. K. Redmile and witnessed by the Town Clerk.

1642. TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Recorded vote:

For Cllr. M. Williams: Cllrs. M. Williams, C. Williams, M. Green, C. Taylor-Hatem, A. Brookes, K. Redmile, D. Barton and J. Walker.

For Cllr. P. Best: Cllrs. P. Richardson, A. Want, P. Best, M. Chowings and R. Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. M. Williams be appointed as Leader of the Council for the forthcoming year.

1643. TO ELECT THE DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Recorded vote:

For Cllr. M. Green : Cllrs. M. Williams, C. Williams, M. Green, C. Taylor-Hatem, A. Brookes, K. Redmile, D. Barton and J. Walker.

For Cllr. A. Want: Cllrs. P. Richardson, A. Want, P. Best, M. Chowings and R. Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. M. Green be appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council for the forthcoming year.

1644. STANDING COMMITTEES

RESOLVED: That the following Standing Committees operate for the ensuing year:

- a. POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE AND STAFFING**
- b. PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT, AMENITIES AND LEISURE**

and that all Councillors should be members of the Standing Committees.

1645. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

1645.1 CHAIR OF PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT, AMENITIES & LEISURE COMMITTEE

For Cllr. K. Redmile: Cllrs. M. Williams, C. Williams, M. Green, C. Taylor-Hatem, A. Brookes, K. Redmile, D. Barton and J. Walker.

For Cllr. M. Chowings: Cllrs. P. Richardson, A. Want, P. Best, M. Chowings and R. Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. K. Redmile be appointed Chair of Planning, Environment, Amenities and Leisure for the forthcoming year.

1645.2 VICE CHAIR OF PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT, AMENITIES AND LEISURE COMMITTEE

For Cllr. D. Barton: Cllrs. M.Williams, C.Williams, M.Green, C.Taylor-Hatem, A.Brookes, K.Redmile, D.Barton and J.Walker.

For Cllr. P. Richardson: Cllrs. P.Richardson, A.Want, P.Best, M.Chowings and R.Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. D. Barton be appointed Vice Chair of Planning, Environment, Amenities and Leisure for the forthcoming year.

1645.3 CHAIR OF POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE AND STAFFING COMMITTEE

For Cllr. C. Williams: Cllrs. M.Williams, C.Williams, M.Green, C.Taylor-Hatem, A.Brookes, K.Redmile, D.Barton and J.Walker.

Against Cllr C. Williams: Cllrs. P.Richardson, A.Want, P.Best, M.Chowings and R.Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. C. Williams be appointed Chair of Policy, Development, Finance and Staffing for the forthcoming year.

1645.4 VICE-CHAIR OF POLICY, DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE AND STAFFING COMMITTEE

For Cllr. J. Walker: Cllrs. M.Williams, C.Williams, M.Green, C.Taylor-Hatem, A.Brookes, K.Redmile, D.Barton and J.Walker.

Against Cllr J. Walker: Cllrs. P.Richardson, A.Want, P.Best, M.Chowings and R.Walker.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. J.Walker be appointed Vice Chair of Policy, Development, Finance and Staffing for the forthcoming year.

1646. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2010-11

RESOLVED: That meetings would normally be held on the second Tuesday of each month, on a cycle of Planning, Policy, Full Council.

1647. REPRESENTATIVES OF EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

RESOLVED: That nominations to external organisations be made as follows:

- a) Yorkshire & National Association of Local Councils. Cllr. C.Williams, Cllr. M.Williams and the Clerk.
- b) Thorne Old People's Welfare Committee. Cllr. D.Barton and Cllr. K.Redmile.
- c) Brooke's Trust. Cllr. A.Brookes and Cllr. D.Barton.

- d) Citizens Advice Bureau. Cllr. A.Brookes and Cllr. K.Redmile.
- e) Thorne and District Anglers Association. Cllrs. D.Barton and Cllr. C.Dallas.
- f) DMBC Parish Councils Joint Consultative Committee. Cllr. D.Barton plus the Clerk.

- g) Staffing Working Group. Cllr. C.Williams, Cllr. M.Williams, Cllr. J.Walker, Cllr. M.Green, Cllr. K.Redmile.
- h) Thorne Moorends Regeneration Partnership. Cllr. C.Williams.
- i) Farmers Market Committee. Cllr. A.Brookes plus the Clerk.
- j) Thorne and Hatfield Moors Conservation Forum – Cllr. C.Williams.
- k) Woodland Steering Group – Cllr. M.Green, Cllr. D.Barton, Cllr. P.Richardson, Cllr. A.Want, Cllr. J.Walker.
- l) Moorends Welfare Development Group - Cllr. A.Brookes, Cllr. M.Williams, Cllr. C.Taylor-Hatem, Cllr. C.Williams, Cllr. P.Richardson.
- m) Humberhead Levels Green Tourism Forum – Cllr. J.Walker.

1648. PLANNING APPLICATION 10/00574/WCC, TWEEN BRIDGE WINDFARM

There was a discussion regarding the Council's response regarding the notice to discharge – item referred from last meeting.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That there should be no deviation from consent and the conditions should not be discharged "en bloc" but individually as per the public enquiry and not until each condition is met in full.**

- 2) Community Trust. On June 6th Eon submitted an undertask to set up a local community trust (Thorne £1,250 x 38 = £47,500 per year, North Lincolnshire £1250 x 6 = £7,500 per year).
The applicant has provided no information regarding this obligation. Until this information has been received the planning conditions should not be discharged.**

- 3) Visitors Centre. The applicant has also failed to provide any information regarding the visitors centre and until this information has been received the planning conditions should not be discharged.**

- 4) Land owned by Thorne-Moorends Town Council. The land known as Jones Cable has been included in the site plan, as TMTC have not given its consent, Jones Cable should be removed from the site plan before any conditions are discharged.**

1649. SUMMER FESTIVAL

Consideration was given to a request from the Summer Festival Committee for financial assistance for this year's event.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £2600 be made, with the cost of the Council's labour being deducted as previously.

1650. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Clerk gave a report for month 12 of the previous financial year which highlights the difficulties caused by escalating prices especially energy, coupled with reduced sales, particularly for the cemetery and market. It was noted that but for the stringent cost saving measures adopted since the new year finances, would have been even worse. These measures were to continue.

RESOLVED: That the report be approved.

1651. MOORENDS WELFARE GROUND

The Clerk gave a report on the arson attack on 22nd March 2010 when the Bowls Pavilion was destroyed. The insurers had agreed that the building should be demolished and the site made safe and this had been carried out. However, a temporary building was required in order that the bowls club could continue to function, at a cost of £3650 or £35 per week.

RESOLVED: That, subject to the insurers confirming that our claim would not be jeopardised, the Clerk be authorized to procure the portable messroom in the way that represented best value.

End of meeting.