

Gainsborough Town Council

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FULL COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on **Tuesday 3 October 2023** at **7:00pm** in the Ceremony room, Richmond House, Richmond Park, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough, DN21 2RJ.

Councillors Present: Councillor James Plastow (Vice Chairman)

Councillor Dennis Dannatt
Councillor Richard Doy
Councillor Stuart Morley

Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Paul Hooton
Councillor Kenneth Woolley

In Attendance:

Rachel Allbones
Stephen Coulman

Interim Town Clerk (ITC)
Operations Manager (OM)

Also Present: 1 member of the public

Open Forum Public participation

A member of the public questioned why the Town Council did not adhere to their own Allotment Terms and Conditions and enforcement. They advised they had sent information of alleged wrongdoing to the MP who had sent it to the LCC Chief Executive.

FC24/091 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N Bowler, R Craig, C Davies, T Davies, M Devine, P Key, L Muggridge and K Panter.

FC24/092 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

Note: Councillor Dobbie arrived at the meeting at 7:03pm.

FC24/093 Dispensation Requests

No dispensation requests were received.

FC24/094 Items for Exclusion of Public and Press

RESOLVED: to exclude the public and press from item FC24/097 in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

Note: Councillor Morley abstained from voting on the above resolution.

FC24/095 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Paper A)

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 5 September 2023 be approved as a as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

Note: Councillors Dannatt and Woolley abstained from voting on the above resolution.

FC24/096 Committee Meeting Minutes

Paper B - Property and Services Committee, Tuesday 12 September 2023

Paper C – Personnel Committee, Wednesday 13 September 2023

Paper D – Property and Services Committee, Tuesday 19 September 2023

Paper E – Finance and Strategy Committee, Tuesday 19 September 2023

Paper F - Planning Committee, Tuesday 26 September 2023

RESOLVED: to **NOTE** the draft minutes of the Committees.

FC24/097 Aisby Walk Skate Park (Paper G)

RESOLVED:

a) That approval is given to employ Fearless Ramps to repair and refurbish Aisby Walk skate park at the earliest opportunity subject to work schedules and the weather: £18,390 excluding VAT.

b) That a 10% discretion (£1,839) be given to the Operations Manager to allow for any price fluctuations or unforeseen works.

c) That the necessary funds come from the Council's General Reserve.

d) The budget be adjusted accordingly.

FC24/098 Communications Strategy (Paper H)

RESOLVED: to adopt a Communications Strategy with the amendments presented.

FC24/099 Town Clerk's Report (Paper I)

RESOLVED: to **NOTE** the Interim Town Clerk's report.

FC24/100 Correspondence (Paper J)

RESOLVED: to **NOTE** the correspondence circulated.

FC24/101 Time and Date of Next Meeting

RESOLVED: to **NOTE** the date and time of the next Full Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday 7 November 2023 at 7.00pm at Richmond House, Morton Terrace.

The meeting closed at 7:45pm

Signed as a true record of the Meeting: _____ Dated _____
Presiding chairman of approving meeting