GAINSBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the COMMUNITY SERVICES Committee held at Richmond House, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough on Tuesday 14th June 2016 at 7.15pm

Present: Councillor Keith Panter (Chairman)

Councillor Matthew Boles (ex-officio)
Councillor Liz Clews
Councillor Caroline Davies
Councillor Sharon Hopkinson
Councillor Doris Turrell
Councillor Kenneth Woolley (ex-officio)

In Attendance:

Matthew Gleadell	Clerk to the Council
Sean Alcock	Operations Manager
Hannah Lane	Football Development Officer

Also Present: Councillor Tim Davies
Councillor Paul Key

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillor Cynthia Isherwood
Councillor Clio Perraton-Williams

RESOLVED to accept the apology received and reason given.

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND TO RECEIVE ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

Councillor Caroline Davies declared a non pecuniary interest in respect of item 11 as she is a member of one of the organisations applying for funding.

Councillor Liz Clews declared a pecuniary interest in item 11 as she is a member of one of the organisations applying for funding.

3. MINUTES (Paper A)

i. Minutes of the meeting of Community Services Committee held on Tuesday 10th May 2016

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Community Services Committee held on Tuesday 10th May 2016 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

4. MAYFLOWER 400

The Clerk explained that the Officer at the Lincolnshire Chamber of Commerce is dealing with the Mayflower 400 has been away on holiday so as been unable to secure an update. The Clerk reminded members that this was a standard agenda item and further update will be made at the next meeting.
The Clerk suggested that the order of business be changed to allow the Football Development Officer to give their report.

RESOLVED to change the order of business and take item 10 next under Standing Order 14d.

10. FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The Football Development Officer gave members a report and update on the work that they had been carrying out. A number of questions were raised with the Development Officer who answered the questions accordingly.

There was some discussion on the recent Football tournament held on Levellings. Councillor Key noted that the parking around the Levellings had not been great and had caused some traffic problems.

Note: The Football Development Officer left the meeting.

5. CEMETERY WORKING GROUP (Papers B & C)

i. **RESOLVED** to allow the Operations Manager to organise West Lindsey sweeper to visit the cemetery and other Town Council sites as necessary during the year and **RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL** that a £600 budget be created out of general reserve to be used as a back up budget should there be insufficient funds in the general grounds maintenance budgets to meet the costs of the road sweeper visits.

ii. **RESOLVED** to defer this item until the next meeting.

iii. **RESOLVED** to defer this item until the next meeting.

iv. **RESOLVED to** exclude press and public under Standing Order 14n

Members discussed the paper presented. The budget position was confirmed by the Clerk.

Members in principal agreed that the work is required but asked that the matter be deferred to Full Council so that the full budget and financial position can be presented in the supporting papers.

RESOLVED to DEFER TO FULL COUNCIL for them to make a decision as to whether further resurfacing works in the General Cemetery be undertaken.

6. WAR MEMORIAL

The Clerk advised members that the Thonock and Somerby Estates had now agreed to transfer the freehold of the Memorial to the Gainsborough Town Council and paperwork would be preceding to deal with the same accordingly.

The Clerk advised that Thonock and Somerby Estates are terribly slow however at dealing with issues like this and it may therefore be sometime before the transfer is complete.

Councillor Caroline Davies gave members an update in relation to the cleaning of the War Memorial which was dually noted.

7. RICHMOND PARK CONIFER HEDGE (Paper D)

RESOLVED to exclude press and public under Standing Order 14n.

Members were in agreement that work should be carried out.

RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Greencuts.

8. WATER BOWSER

The Clerk advised Members of the need for the water bowser and explained how it had not been funded through WREN as it was not eligible for grant funding.

A Member suggested that the West Lindsey District Council sweeper vehicle also has a pressure washer that could be used to carry out the works identified.

RESOLVED to REFER TO FULL COUNCIL by which time information regarding the possibility of using West Lindsey District Council's road sweeper/pressure washer could be sorted and presented to members.

9. OPENING EVENT FOR RICHMOND PARK

Members considered the nature and content of the event to mark the opening of the new play area.

Members like the idea of tying the opening event in with the Lark in the Park event. It was agreed that there should be a reception for local dignitaries and community organisations with food and drink with a formal opening of the new park following the reception. It was noted that there was a Grant Application to be considered later in the meeting from The Friends of Richmond Park who had included funding request for the Civic Event.

RESOLVED to hold the official opening of the park on the same day as Lark in the Park involving a small reception followed by an official opening of the new facilities.

11. COMMUNITY GRANTS (Paper E)

Members considered the various Grant Applications. The Grant Applications were determined as follows: -

i. **RESOLVED** to award Melrose Bowls Club the sum of £1000 towards the renovation of their bowls green provided that evidence of the additional funding required is produced.

ii. **RESOLVED** that the application from the Friends of Gainsborough Cemeteries and Chapel be rejected. Members did however agree that the project was a worthy one and that it should be taken back to Council with a full report and that funding could probably be found from other budgets.

iii. **RESOLVED** to award Friends of Richmond Park the sum of £1000 towards the Lark in the Park event which will include an official opening of the new play area. The funding would be dealt with by way of £500 from the Grants Budget and £500 from the Councils events budget.

iv. **RESOLVED** to award West Lindsey Mature Fitness the costs of all elements in the grant applications that are not directly coordinator salaries.

v. **RESOLVED** not to award West Lindsey Mature Fitness funding for Parkinson's project on this occasion.

12. LEVELLINGS FOOTBALL PITCH REFURBISHMENT

Members discussed and noted the need for taking a full renovation on the football pitch at Levellings. It was noted that an additional pitch maybe needed to support new teams during the league for the forthcoming season.

RESOLVED to RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that a budget be created to support the costs of undertaking full renovation on the football pitch at Levellings.

13. NOTICE BOARDS

Members noted the nominations that had been received for locations for the new notice boards.

RESOLVED that new notice boards should be erected in the following places subject to land owner and other necessary consents:-

1. Outside Post Office on Ropery Road.
2. Outside Park Springs Community Centre.
3. At the entrance to Marshalls Yard.

14. COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIP (Paper F)

Members noted the details of the Community Rail Partnership.

RESOLVED to provide a letter of support to the individual seeking to create a Community Rail Partnership.

15. EVENTS OFFICER

Members felt that this item should be dealt with by way of a motion to Council. Councillor C Davies confirmed that she had submitted a motion recently on this matter.

RESOLVED that the matter be discussed at Full Council in accordance with the motion.

16. ARMED FORCES DAY

Members believe that this item should be considered alongside item 15 above.

RESOLVED to defer the matter till the next meeting pending further discussions regarding item 15.

The meeting concluded at 8.50pm