

Minutes of the meeting of WATTON TOWN COUNCIL held on Tuesday 16 July 2013 at 7.00 pm at Church Hall, St Mary's Church, Church Road, Watton, Norfolk

Councillors Present: L McCarthy- Chairman
J Rogers – Vice Chairman
P Blackmore, B Bunning, R Crabtree, K Gilbert, M Holmes, J P McCarthy, R Turner

Officers Present: J Seal - Town Clerk
M Craigie – Administration Assistant

Others Present: Rosa McMahon – Reporter, Eastern Daily Press

13/24 APOLOGIES

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillors M Wassell, P Cooper, K Birch and R Ivory

13/25 INTERESTS

Item 13/27 – Councillors L McCarthy, JP McCarthy, and R Turner declared personal interests as Clients

13/26 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting on Tuesday 25 June 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

13/27 INTERNAL AUDITOR

It was proposed by Councillor P Blackmore, seconded by Councillor M Holmes and

RESOLVED

(Voting: 6 for with 3 abstentions)

that Arden Kendall be appointed as the Councils Internal Auditor.

13/28 NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3PL/2013/0571 – Mr E W K Carter, Town Green Road, Watton – Erection of Dwelling

No Objection

3PL/2010/2013/0628 – Paul Garner Development Ltd., c/o Sketcher Partnership Ltd., First House, Quebec Street, Dereham – Re-design dwelling, Plot 2

No Objection

13/29 RADIATOR VALVES

It was reported that whilst carrying out the annual service on the heating system, the contractor MCL had found that six radiator valves needed to be changed.

It was proposed by Councillor P Blackmore, seconded by Councillor R Turner and

RESOLVED

That MCL carry out the work at a cost of £332.00 plus VAT.

13/30 ROAD NAMES

A member of the public had submitted four suggested road names for the former Radar site which was being developed by Bennett Homes.

The names were a reflection of various Royal Air force units which had occupied the area and it was agreed that the names be sent to Breckland Council and the Developer for consideration.

13/31 CEMETERY BENCH

A request had been received from a resident to install a memorial bench in the cemetery in memory of their parents.

It was proposed by Councillor P Blackmore, seconded by Councillor R Turner and

RESOLVED

That permission be given for a bench to be installed at the cemetery, in a position to be agreed by the Council, and on acceptance of the councils policy that once positioned, ownership of the bench be transferred to the Council to maintain and insure the bench.

13/32 PARKING ISSUE – WATTON SERVICE CENTRE

The Chairman informed Members that a request had been received from Watton Service Centre for the Council to support them in asking Highways to put double yellow lines at the exit of the service station.

She explained that they have a serious problem with a parked van which blocks the view of vehicles leaving the service station exit. They have been in contact with both the police and the parking company. Some Members had witnessed the problem and agreed that it was very dangerous.

It was proposed by Councillor J P McCarthy, seconded by Councillor K Gilbert and

RESOLVED

That the Council support the request from Watton Service Centre for double yellow lines to be placed at the exit of the garage.

13/33 TRAFFIC SIGNALS UPGRADE

Members had previously been circulated with the PK6044 Watton A1075/B1108 junction Traffic Signals Upgrade Scheme which is being funded by the 106 monies provided by Tesco.

Members noted the changes being made to the traffic signals.

The Meeting ended 7.30pm
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