



**Minutes of the Meeting of Sleaford Town Council held on
Wednesday 2nd April 2025 at 7pm, at the Town Hall, Sleaford**

Present: Cllr Alison Snookes (Vice-Chairman), Cllrs Nadim Aziz, Pat Cockcroft, Linda Edwards-Shea, Ken Fernandes, Steven Mason, Malcolm Offer, Stephen Shanahan-Kluth and Adrian Snookes

In attendance: Mr Chris Pilkington (Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) and Administration Officer (MW)

25.49 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Vice-Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting and announced that she would be chairing the meeting in the Chairman's absence, as he was attending a Mayoral engagement.

25.50 APOLOGIES

Apologies for the meeting and reasons for absence from it had been received from Cllrs Bozena Allan, Anthony Brand, Dave Darmon, Heather Lorimer, Robert Oates, Melody Shanahan-Kluth, Mark Sharpe, Mark Smith and David Suiter.

RESOLVED: That the reasons for absence of Cllrs Allan, Brand, Darmon, Lorimer, Oates, M Shanahan-Kluth, Sharpe, Smith and Suiter be approved.

25.51 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

25.51.1 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 31 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT INTERESTS UNDER THE MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

None.

25.51.2 TO RECEIVE AND DECIDE UPON REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS TO COUNCILLORS TO TAKE PART IN DISCUSSIONS AND VOTES WHERE THEY HAVE DECLARED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None.

25.52 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That further to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public be excluded from the discussion of agenda item 25.54 by virtue of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

25.53 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No members of the public were present.

(The Council entered closed session)

25.54 PURCHASE OF MOWER DECK

It was reported that the Council's rear-mounted mower deck, purchased in 2017 and powered by a John Deere tractor, has required multiple repairs. Its recent service revealed major repairs are needed for safe use. Due to its age and extensive past welds, replacing it was recommended. Three quotes had been obtained for a new mower.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted and the Council accepts quote from Supplier A (Ben Burgess) for a cost of £9,702 Inc VAT.

(The Council re-entered open session)

25.55 DATES AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: To note that the next meeting of the Council will take place on Wednesday 16th April 2025, at 7pm at the Town Hall, Sleaford.

2nd April 2025

Signed:

Date: