



Kettering
TOWN COUNCIL

Community • Environment • Heritage

MINUTES OF THE KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOLLER CHURCH ROOMS, MEETING LANE, KETTERING AT 7PM ON 18th JANUARY 2023

Attendees: Cllr Keli Watts (Mayor) (Chair)

Cllrs Lloyd Bunday, Carolyn Carter, Robin Carter, Dez Dell, Maggie Don, Eve Edwards, Scott Edwards, Alexander Evelyn, Emily Fedorowycz, Clark Mitchell, Anup Pandey, Mark Rowley, Craig Skinner, James Towns, Bev Wright and Martyn York .

Town Clerk: Martin Hammond

No of Public Present: 8 including I press.

Item No	Item Description
2022/074	Apologies for absence Cllrs Farrow, Perrett and Tubbs
2022/075	Declarations of Interest None
2022/076	Minutes The minutes of the last meeting held on 14 th December 2022 were approved and signed as a correct record,
2022/077	Public Speakers Notification had been received from people asking to speak on item 2022/085 – Mr Alan Heath attended to do so in place of Olivia Stephenson.
2022/078	Announcements from the Mayor The Mayor reminded members of the dates for Holocaust Memorial Day on 27 th January at 2pm and for an event linked to International Womens Day on 8 th March at 4pm in the Toller Church Rooms.



2022/079	<p>Announcements from the Leader</p> <p>The Leader wished all members a happy new year.</p> <p>Cllr Scott Edwards noted the award of the British Empire Medal to Vicky Geary in recognition of her work with the scouting movement in Kettering.</p>
2022/080	<p>Crime and anti-social behaviour figures for the year ending December 2022</p> <p>Sgt Matt Rock and Sgt Greg McClean attended. The crime and anti-social behaviour figures were summarised and the major differences from last period explained; the police also outlined the locally identified policing priorities for Kettering. Members asked various questions.</p>
2021/081	<p>Consultation on NNC Ward Boundary Review by the Boundary Commission</p> <p>A report was submitted which outlined the terms of the boundary review into NNC's ward boundaries and on which the Town Council's views were being sought.</p> <p>The report included a draft response setting out the Council's views and after debate, it was</p> <p>RESOLVED that the comments set out in the draft report be submitted to the Boundary Commission for England.</p>
2022/082	<p>South West Kettering (Headlands) Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>A report was submitted which summarised the progress with the examination and adoption of this Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Planning Committee had met on 12th January to consider the independent examiner's conclusions, to agree a referendum date and to consider their communications plan leading up to that referendum. NNC were due to have produced a Decision Statement which set out exactly what changes were to be made to the plan, but this has not been possible before this meeting and their statement would be circulated in due course.</p> <p>Members acknowledged the huge amount of work that had been put in by the community group in progressing the plan to this point.</p>



	<p>RESOLVED that NNC be asked to proceed to a referendum for the 27th April 2023.</p>
2022/083	<p>Budget and Precept for 2023-24</p> <p>Members considered the proposed budget as set out in the papers, and it was unanimously</p> <p>RESOLVED that:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The budget set out in the papers be approvedb) A precept of £400,000 be requested of North Northamptonshire Council
2022/084	<p>Corporate Plan Refresh</p> <p>Members considered the proposed refresh of the corporate plan, as set out in the papers, and</p> <p>It was unanimously :-</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Corporate Plan be approved and adopted.</p>
2022/085	<p>Climate Change Decision Making Structures</p> <p>A report was submitted, as agreed by Council at its meeting in October 2022, to review the meeting arrangements to deal with climate change initiatives.</p> <p>Mr Alan Heath addressed the meeting, applauding the work of the working group to date on this important topic and asking the Council to maintain and increase its focus on climate change mitigation work.</p> <p>Three options were detailed in the paper, and after debate, it was</p> <p>i – moved by Cllr Don and seconded by Cllr Mitchell that option (b) be adopted, without the inclusion of allotments within the remit of the proposed committee</p> <p>For the motion 6 Against 10 Motion Lost</p>



	<p>ii - moved by Cllr Bunday and seconded by Cllr Rowley that option (a) be adopted</p> <p>For the motion 10 Against 6 Motion approved</p> <p>The Mayor – on behalf of Council – thanked the Deputy Mayor and the climate change working group members for the significant amount of work they had put in to develop ideas and projects during the lifetime of the working group.</p> <p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) the climate change working group be abolished and its role as the promoter of sustainable outcomes be allocated to the Finance and Governance Committee, and that a member of that committee be allocated the role of climate change champion.b) Climate change implications should be detailed in every Council committee report as a section heading
2022/086	<p>Appointment of Deputy Mayor for 2023-24</p> <p>It was moved by Cllr Bunday and seconded by Cllr Towns and unanimously</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cllr Craig Skinner be nominated to be Deputy Mayor in the 2023-4 Municipal year.</p>
2022/087	<p>Calendar of Meetings for 2023-24</p> <p>A proposed calendar of meetings for the 2023-4 municipal year was submitted and it was</p> <p>RESOLVED that the calendar be adopted.</p>
2022/088	<p>Appointment to Maplefields Community Association</p> <p>A report was submitted, relaying a request from the emerging Maplefields Community Association that the Council appoint someone to its management committee to represent the Council and to help the association realise its plans to open a community centre in due course.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cllr Robin Carter be appointed to the Maplefields Community Association Management committee.</p>
2022/089	<p>Planning Committee</p>



Kettering

TOWN COUNCIL

Community • Environment • Heritage

	<p>The chairman, Cllr Craig Skinner, outlined the work of the committee since December and summarised the extent to which final planning decision had reflected its views.</p> <p>Cllr Rowley raised the matter of Town Council attendance at Area Planning Committee meetings to speak on applications against which an objection had been lodged. It was agreed to consider, with NNC, the best way of objections being handled in the NNC committee process in future.</p>
	The meeting was closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed

Date