



ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Attleborough Town Council
Held on Monday, 5th July 2021 at 7.00 pm
Held at the Town Hall, Queens square.**

Present:

		Cllr P Leslie - presiding	
Cllr J Ellis	Cllr V Dale	Cllr L Grave	Cllr B Cousins
Cllr T Taylor	Cllr E Tyrer	Cllr A Westby	Cllr J Francis
Cllr S Marsh	Cllr A Smith	Cllr K Montague	Cllr A Busk
Cllr T Crouch		Public x 4	

In attendance – Anne Willett – Clerks Assistant (minute taker)

029.21) Mayors Welcome – Cllr Leslie welcomed everyone and thanked those taking the time to view.

030.21) Apologies for absence - None received

031.21) Councillor Co-Option Vacancy –

The candidate presented her application for the existing Town Councillor vacancy.

On the motion of Cllr Marsh, seconded by Cllr Tyrer, it was

RESOLVED by a majority to co-opt Miss Deborah Lane as Town Councillor, a Declaration of Acceptance Office form would be emailed for signature. Cllr Lane then took her seat with the members for the remainder of the meeting.

ACTION: CEO

032.21) Parish Poll to be held on Tuesday 20th July 2021 at the Town Hall – Breckland will be publicising and notices will be published on our website and notice boards.

033.21) Declarations of Interest

a) To receive and consider declarations of interest in items below –

Cllr Leslie – Item 9a - Director of Eastern Attachments

b) To receive and consider dispensations in respect of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests –

None received

034.21) Public Participation - Resident's Questions

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned to allow the Mayor to address questions submitted from various residents. (See Resident's Questions Notes attached.) -

035.21a) Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 7th June 2021

On the motion of Cllr Dale, seconded by Cllr Francis, it was

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council meeting held 7th June 2021.

036.21) Planning Matters –

a) Planning Applications –

On the motion of Cllr Tyrer, seconded by Cllr Westby, it was **RESOLVED** to approve and accept the following recommendations already agreed and submitted prior to meeting.

Cllr Leslie left the meeting for Item 9a and then returned

037.21) Financial Matters

a) To authorise payments –

On the motion of Cllr Westby, seconded by Cllr Dale, it was **RESOLVED** to accept and approve the following payment list dated 5 July 2021 Total £6,075.90

Cllr Crouch left the meeting at 7.40pm

b) To agree direct debits –

On the motion of Cllr Cousins, seconded by Cllr Ellis, it was **RESOLVED** to approve and accept the direct debit list dated July 2021 Total £20,381.33

c) To receive Income –

On the motion of Cllr Montague, seconded by Cllr Grave, it was **RESOLVED** to approve and accept the income list for June 2021 Total £4,436.82

d) Petty Cash payments – Noted for information

e) Income & Expenditure Report June 2021 – Noted for information

f) Procurement of Battery Hand Tools Proposal –

On the motion of Cllr Dale, seconded by Cllr Westby, it was **RESOLVED** to accept and approve Dealer A £6,560 + VAT as per the recommendation
ACTION CEO:

038.21) Correspondence

a) 1st Attleborough Scout Group request to plant trees for Queen's Canopy –

On the motion of Cllr Leslie, seconded by Cllr Cousins, it was **RESOLVED** to meet with Scout group and in principal agree but the location of the trees to be decided

b) Pride Home Care Open Day request to use Queens Square

As the event had already been advertised concerns were discussed that due process had not been followed and could be seen as pre-determined.

On the motion of Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Cousins, an amendment was suggested to the proposal to fully support but request a change of date, a vote was taken but not carried.

On the motion of Cllr Montague, seconded by Cllr Marsh, it was

RESOLVED – proposal stands to approve the use of Queens Square on 31st July 2021 for open day but all health & safety in place for BBQ, also risk assessment and public liability insurance.

c) Tracy Turner Kalidoscope fund raising fete request to use Queens Square – On the motion of Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Dale, it was

RESOLVED - to accept and approve to use Queens Square for Kalidoscope fete

ACTION CEO:

039.21) Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent

No other items

040.21) Public Participation (10 Minutes)

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned to allow the Mayor to address questions submitted from various residents. (See Resident's Questions Notes attached.)

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Public Participation 1st Section

Question

- Resident raised concerns regarding the delay in restarting the Community Car Scheme after being suspended due to Covid 19. This was causing concern to the residents who need to use this service.
- Cllr Leslie had understood the service had restarted from 21st June 2021 and if this wasn't the case he would prioritise this and get the Community Car Scheme up and running as soon as possible.

Question

- Resident enquired about a newsletter being produced
- Cllr Leslie stated we are looking at producing quarterly bulletins in print and online

Question

- Resident queried is Town Council back in building & would Parish Poll take place if restrictions continue
- Cllr Leslie replied only in building for restricted meetings until 19th July and then back if lifted. Parish Poll proviso if restrictions continue it would be suspended.

Question

- Resident queried list of Cllrs on website doesn't have committees attached to direct an inquiry to.
What is provided by Council for young people, there needs to be an affordable range of indoor & outdoor activities.
- A new website will have committee structures. Provision for Youth will be addressed by ANP Committee. Sub group of Sports Committee are going to issue a survey to provide information regarding facilities available.

Question

- Meeting dates on website not current. What is happening to M & Co car parking.
- Cllr Leslie stated Breckland Council are investigating but not much progress made.

Public Participation 2nd Section

Question

- Resident asked what the ANP was going to provide for older people.
- There is awareness to provide for all age groups and there will be open spaces where you will be able to sit and enjoy quiet time away from younger generation.

Question

- Resident commented on Judicial Review and was uncomfortable some people not standing up and doing the right thing.
- This had been suggested but wasn't acted on.