



www.nelincs.gov.uk

NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON

27th May, 2021

Present:

Councillor Hasthorpe (in the Chair)
Councillors Abel, Aisthorpe, Astbury, Batson, Beasant, Brasted, Brookes, Callison, Cracknell, Croft, Dawkins, Freeston, Furneaux, Goodwin, Harness, Hudson, Jackson, Lindley, Mickleburgh, Parkinson, Patrick, Pettigrew, Procter, Robinson, Rudd, Sandford, Shepherd, Sheridan, Shreeve, Silvester, Smith, K.Swinburn, S.Swinburn, Westcott and Wilson

Officers in Attendance:

- Rob Walsh (Chief Executive)
- Simon Jones (Assistant Director Law, Governance and Assets) (Monitoring Officer)
- Sharon Wroot (Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources)
- Paul Windley (Democratic and Scrutiny Team Manager)

The proceedings were opened with prayers by Reverend Mary Vickers.

NEL.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from this meeting were received from Councillors Cairns, Green, Reynolds, Rodwell and Woodward.

NEL.2 ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was proposed by Councillor Jackson and seconded by Councillor Brookes that Councillor David Hasthorpe be elected Mayor of the Borough of North East Lincolnshire for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Upon a show of hands, the motion was declared carried and it was

RESOLVED - That Councillor David Hasthorpe be elected to the office of Mayor of the Borough of North East Lincolnshire for the ensuing Municipal Year.

NEL.3 **ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

It was proposed by Councillor Patrick and seconded by Councillor Rudd that Councillor Steve Beasant be elected Deputy Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Upon a show of hands, the motion was declared carried and it was

RESOLVED - That Councillor Steve Beasant be elected to the office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough of North East Lincolnshire for the ensuing Municipal Year.

NEL.4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest by Members in the items on the agenda for this meeting.

NEL.5 **LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

RESOLVED – That the third year of service of Councillor Jackson as Leader of North East Lincolnshire Council be noted.

NEL.6 **DEPUTY LEADER AND CABINET MEMBERSHIP**

Council noted a paper setting out the Leader's choice of Deputy Leader and the Cabinet. He confirmed his appointments as follows:

Councillor Shreeve – Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Finance, Resources and Assets

Councillor S Swinburn – Portfolio Holder for Environment and Transport

Councillor Cracknell – Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Social Care

Councillor Proctor – Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Housing and Tourism

Councillor Lindley – Portfolio Holder for Children, Education and Skills

Councillor Shepherd – Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities

NEL.7 **REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION**

The Council considered a report from the Monitoring Officer, setting out a review of the Council's Constitution.

Following a debate which focused on the proposal to amend the Council's Standing Orders to require questions on the minutes to be submitted on notice, the recommendations in the report were put to the vote and it was

RESOLVED –

1. That the Scheme of Delegation, as currently set out in the Constitution and incorporating the proposed changes as set out in Appendix 1, be approved for the Municipal Year 2021/22 subject to any changes required by (i) operation of law or (ii) owing to the direct effect of Cabinet or Committee decisions, in which case authority is delegated to the Monitoring Officer to

make such changes, in consultation with the Leader of the Council (in respect of executive arrangements) and the Chair of any relevant Committee or Panel (non-executive arrangements) as the case may be.

2. That the updated Contract Procedure Rules, as detailed at Appendix 2 of this report, be approved.
3. That Standing Order 10B be amended as set out in Appendix 3 of the report now submitted, effective from the next ordinary meeting of Council in July, 2021.
4. That Standing Order 13.12 be amended to read as follows:

A member may raise a point of order at any time. The Mayor will hear them immediately. A point of order may only relate to an alleged breach of these Standing Orders or the law. The Member must indicate the way in which he/she considers it has been broken. The ruling of the Mayor on the matter will be final.

5. That the protocol on Scrutiny Panel/Cabinet Member Relations be approved for inclusion as an appendix to the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.
6. That Section 8 (Agenda Items) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules be amended to make specific reference to the requirement for papers and presentation slides to be circulated at least four calendar days prior to the scrutiny panel meeting (save in exceptional circumstances and supported by the Chair of the scrutiny panel), otherwise they would not be accepted for consideration at that meeting.
7. That the minutes of the Executive and Scrutiny Liaison Board be circulated to all Elected Members once agreed.
8. That authority be delegated to the Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Group Leaders, to make any amendments of a minor nature to the Constitution from time to time.

NEL.8 MEETINGS TIMETABLE 2019/2020

The Council considered a proposed schedule of meetings of the Council, its Cabinet and Committees and Panels for the Municipal Year 2021/22.

RESOLVED – That the meetings of the Council and its Committees for the ensuing Municipal Year, as set out in the schedule now submitted, be approved.

NEL.9 COMMITTEE AND PANEL MEMBERSHIP

The Council considered a schedule allocating seats on the Council's Committees and Panels for the Municipal Year 2021/22. Nominations to the role of Chair and Deputy Chair for each Committee and Panel were also considered.

RESOLVED - That appointments of the Chairs and Deputy Chairs and to the seats on the Committees and Panels of the Council be agreed as set out in the schedule now submitted, including the Leader of the Council's appointments to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

NEL.10 REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council considered a schedule setting out representation on Outside Bodies for 2021/22.

Where nominations were unopposed, these were moved for approval en bloc.

The Mayor advised on the voting procedure to be followed for those Bodies where there were contested nominations.

RESOLVED -

(1) That the Schedule of Representation on Outside Bodies for 2021-22 now submitted, be approved.

(2) That the following bodies be removed from the schedule:

- Adoption Panel
- Care Plus Council of Governors
- Development and Growth Board
- E-factor Board
- Humber Local Enterprise Partnership
- Humber Strategy Elected Members Forum
- Lincs Inspire Partnership Board

(3) That Councillor Shepherd be appointed to the Allotments Forum.

(4) That Councillor Smith be appointed to the Local Authority Governor Havelock Academy

(5) That Councillors Robinson and Westcott be appointed to the Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education.

(6) That Councillors Cracknell, Dawkins, Harness, Jackson, Pettigrew and Procter be appointed to the Waltham Windmill Trust.

(7) That Councillors Goodwin and Silvester be appointed to the Humber Police and Crime Panel.

NEL.11 ANNUAL REVIEW OF SCRUTINY FOR 2020/2021

The Council received a report from the Statutory Scrutiny Officer reviewing the work undertaken by Scrutiny in 2020-21 and the planned work programme for 2021/22.

RESOLVED - That the Annual Report of Scrutiny be received and noted.

There been no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.