

## EPWORTH TOWN COUNCIL

### Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Full Council held on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024, at 8.30 pm - delayed start, in the Small Hall of the Imperial Hall, Chapel Street , Epworth

#### Public Participation

No member of the public expressed an interest in addressing the Council.

**27/04/24**      **Record of Members Present**

The following councillors were present: Councillors Finch (Chairwoman), Baker, Holt, Milnes, J Whittaker, R Whittaker and Wilson.

**28/04/24**      **Apologies and Reasons for Absence**

There were apologies from Councillor Grantham - away.

**29/04/24**      **Declarations of Interest & Dispensations**

- (i) No declarations of interest were made.
- (ii) No dispensations had been granted.

**30/04/24**      **Beacon**

The Clerk gave councillors an update on the Beacon. He had submitted a planning application and listed building consent for the erection of the Beacon, but then been told that the latter was not required. He had made North Lincolnshire Council aware of the need for a planning decision as soon as possible given it was hoped that the Beacon could be lit for an event on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024, in order to commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day. In the meantime, the Clerk suggested things could be put in place for the event whilst waiting for a planning decision. Proposed by Councillor J Whittaker and seconded by Councillor Baker - **It was resolved that the Clerk should make preparations for the lighting of the Beacon whilst waiting for planning permission from North Lincolnshire Council.**

**31/04/24**      **Standards Complaints**

Proposed by Councillor Baker and seconded by Councillor Finch - **It was resolved that both the press and public be excluded for this item.** The Clerk had received a letter from the Monitoring Officer at North Lincolnshire Council about Standards Complaints and provided each councillor with a copy of it, which they then discussed. Proposed by Councillor Baker and seconded by Councillor Holt - **It was resolved that the Council should accept the pre-vetting process, and express concerns over the length of time complaints took to reach a conclusion, and hope this would be noted by the Standards Committee.**

**32/04/24**      **Closure of Meeting**

The Chairwoman declared the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.