



WISBECH TOWN COUNCIL

20 June 2022 – 7.30 pm

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Councillor Wallwork, Chairman (and Town Mayor); Councillors Hoy, Human, Imafidon, Ketteringham, Lynn, Meekins, Patrick, Rackley, Tibbs and Tierney.

Apologies: Councillors Balsevics, Hill, Maul, Oliver, Prest and Topgood.

Public Participation: None requested.

14/22 Fenland District Council

(1) Information

The Clerk reported that Section 106 Planning Obligations details and the council's monthly Environment newsletter had been forwarded, last week by e-mail, to all members of the council and that information in respect of CCTV performance had been circulated in the same manner earlier today.

Members decided that the situation be noted.

(2) Wisbech Park Community Hub

Members received a presentation from Mr Phil Hughes, Acting Assistant Director at Fenland District Council, in relation to the provision by that council of a new mixed-use building at Wisbech Park.

The council was informed by Mr Hughes that the provision of this new building is possible because of successful applications the County Council's Communities Capital Fund and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority's Market Towns Programme. He made the point that there are a number of facilities in Wisbech Park – bandstand, a changing rooms building, public toilets, play equipment and the commencement of construction of a water play facility – but no community facility such as the one proposed.

Mr Hughes commented that the original intention, to provide some sort of community building at Wisbech Park, had been to seek funding to refurbish the former changing rooms building; however, on seeing the initial proposal, the members of Fenland District Council who represent Wisbech wards felt that it would be more appropriate to try to provide a building which would be bigger and better and more fit-for-purpose.

Mr Hughes mentioned that the total budget available to construct and equip the proposed building is approximately £630,000 and that, under no circumstances, can that budget be exceeded. He informed the council that he had worked closely with the District Council's Planning and Conservation Officers to ensure that an appropriate design and location could be achieved which would be acceptable within the Conservation Area.

The council was shown a draft plan of the proposed internal layout of the building – consisting of a multi-use hall, an office, toilets (some accessed externally and other accessed from within the building) and a café/servery with both an indoor and outdoor seating area – and artist impressions of how the building might look. Mr Hughes explained the location within the park where the building would be located; an area which is covered by existing CCTV camera



provision. It would be constructed in such a way as to make it as vandalism-resistant as possible, including window shutters. The construction materials to be used would be “environmentally-friendly”.

Mr Hughes informed the council of the likely timescale for the delivery of this project; from the submission of a planning application during July or August 2022 to opening of the building in early March 2023.

It was made clear by Mr Hughes that Fenland District Council had never intended to operate or manage this building and, consequently, is asking whether Wisbech Town Council would wish to do so; if so, it is now the time to begin discussions in that regard.

Mr Hughes responded to members’ questions.

Councillor Tierney thanked Mr Hughes for the presentation and commented that the proposed design of the building includes all the elements which had been requested by District Councillors and had been revised from the initial drawings to reflect some specific ideas. He expressed the opinion that the provision of the proposed community hub building would be beneficial to the park specifically and the town generally.

The opinion was expressed by Councillor Tierney that Wisbech Town Council should consider taking-on the operation and management of the proposed community hub building, adding this to the council’s portfolio of assets. His view is that Wisbech Town Council would be the best organisation to operate and manage the building efficiently and effectively. However, the council would need to consider all the relevant issues, particularly the financial aspects (such as costs of business rates, utilities, insurance, staffing, cleaning and maintenance, set against potential income generation).

Councillor Hoy made the point that the Town Council would need to be aware of the costs of operating and managing the building, as well as identifying ways of meeting those costs, before deciding whether the council should take-on this building; it would need to be a financially-viable proposition.

In response to a question from Councillor Human as to the size of the proposed building, Mr Hughes asked councillors to visualise a large bungalow.

Mr Hughes responded affirmatively to a question from Councillor Imafidon as to whether the proposed building would be in area which has CCTV camera coverage.

Members decided, unanimously, on the proposal of Councillor Hoy, seconded by Councillor Tierney, that

- (1) the information presented by Mr Hughes be noted;
- (2) Wisbech Town Council is interested in operating and managing the community hub building proposed for Wisbech Park but its final decision would be made in the light of the outcome of “business planning” discussions between Fenland District Council (to be represented by Mr Hughes) and Wisbech Town Council (to be represented by the Town Clerk) in that regard;
- (3) this matter be considered further by Wisbech Town Council following conclusion of the officer discussions mentioned at (2) above.



(3) Wisbech Levelling-Up Fund project bid

Members received a presentation from Mr Phil Hughes, Acting Assistant Director at Fenland District Council, in relation to three projects, which, collectively, would comprise a bid the Government for monies from the Levelling-Up Fund (LUF).

The council was informed by Mr Hughes that the bid had been developed by Fenland District Council (FDC) through discussion with the members of Fenland District Council who represent Wisbech wards and the engagement of consultants; the potential projects had emerged from master-planning work for Wisbech, which is nearing completion and would be referred to Wisbech Town Council following consideration by Fenland District Council.

Mr Hughes informed the council that the LUF criteria enables a maximum of three projects, which must be capital projects and have “links”, to be submitted for a town.

Mr Hughes explained the selection process utilised and the criteria which needed to be followed in the bidding process. He showed location plans and artist impressions of each of the projects.

The three projects for Wisbech, all of which meet the funding criteria, in summary, are:

- (1) Old Market area - public realm improvements
- (2) Wisbech Castle - provision of a Visitor Centre
- (3) Wisbech Campus of the College of West Anglia - development of a Green Skills Centre.

The estimated total cost of the Wisbech bid is £14 million. The minimum of a 10% match funding requirement of the LUF bidding process would be met through a contribution of £2 million from the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority towards the cost of the development of a Green Skills Centre at the College of West Anglia.

The deadline for submission of the bid is 6 July 2022.

Mr Hughes responded to members' questions.

Mr Hughes responded in the affirmative to a question from Councillor Rackley as to whether the project in respect of Wisbech Castle could include the provision of disabled access between the different levels of the two parts of the garden.

Councillor Tierney mentioned that Councillors Hoy and Lynn and he, in their capacity as Fenland District Councillors, had been involved in the discussions relating to these projects and he made the point that what had been presented by Mr Hughes to this meeting reflects those councillors' aspirations for the bid. He commented that LUF money can only be allocated to bids which accord with the qualification criteria.

The opinion was expressed by Councillor Tierney that the three projects for Wisbech do appear to “link”. He expressed his thanks to Councillor Topgood, who had shown those involved in the development of the Visitor Centre project around the Castle's grounds. Councillor Tierney mentioned that the Pump Room building at Wisbech Castle needs to be replaced and this project achieves that and more.

Councillor Meekins asked Mr Hughes whether the Barclays Bank building at Old Market, which would become empty within a few months, could be included, to become a “community asset”, in the Old Market project. In response, Mr Hughes commented that, given the short timescale for the submission of the bid and the level of funding being sought, it would not be possible to



include that building as part of this LUF bid. However, there may options to bid for funding from other sources in the future.

Councillor Hoy expressed her thanks to Fenland District Council for selecting Wisbech as the town to be the subject of a bid for LUF monies.

In response to a question from Councillor Wallwork as to what would happen if the level of funding awarded by the Government were less than that being sought, Mr Hughes stated that it would be necessary to “scale back” the projects.

Members indicated that they are fully supportive of all three projects; of particular interest is the proposed Visitor Centre at Wisbech Castle, which members feel would add considerably to the infrastructure which is needed to enhance the cultural/heritage/tourism offer in Wisbech generally at the Castle specifically. The provision of a Visitor Centre at Wisbech Castle would complement and supplement other projects which have either been undertaken in the town (such as enhancement of the Market Place and the installation of a water play facility at Wisbech Park), are planned for the town (for example, a new community hub building at Wisbech Park) or are proposed (the other two LUF projects).

Members decided, unanimously, on the proposal of Councillor Hoy, seconded by Councillor Tierney, that the information presented by Mr Hughes be noted and that Wisbech Town Council supports Fenland District Council’s bid (comprising the three projects mentioned above) for the Levelling-up Fund monies from the Government.

15/22 Cambridgeshire County Council

The Clerk informed members that, on this occasion, he had no information to report to members in relation to County Council activities relevant to Wisbech; nor had those Town Councillors who are also members of Cambridgeshire County Council

Members decided that the situation be noted.

16/22 Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Members took the opportunity to consider any matters relating to crime and disorder in Wisbech, for reference to Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

Councillor Tierney mentioned that he had been contacted by a resident of Crooked Bank in relation to pollution in the water course; it appears that a person or persons unknown had been dumping sewage in the water. Councillor Tierney had reported the situation to Fenland District Council and, consequently, officers of that council are investigating the situation. He asked that the local policing team be made aware of the situation and be requested to “keep their eyes open” when they are in the Redmoor Lane area.

Councillor Patrick informed members of incidents of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage in Jeffrey Avenue and mentioned that he had reported the incidents to the Neighbourhood Policing Team. He would like the council to request the Police to undertake additional patrols in that area.

Members decided that the comments/requests of Councillors Patrick and Tierney be noted and that the Clerk would forward those comments/requests to the Acting Inspector.



17/22 Minutes of the Town Council meeting of 20 and 23 May 2022

Members decided, unanimously, on the proposal of Councillor Ketteringham, seconded by Councillor Tierney, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of 20 and 23 May 2022 be confirmed and signed.

18/22 Minutes of committees

Members received, for information, the minutes of committee meetings held since the last meeting of the Town Council, as follows:

- (1) Resources Committee – 23 May 2022
- (2) Environment and Public Spaces Committee – 23 May 2022
- (3) Staffing and Communications Committee - 23 May 2022
- (4) Community Events and Festivals Committee - 23 May 2022
- (5) Wisbech Town Centre Committee - 23 May 2022
- (6) Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee – 30 May 2022.

Members decided that the contents of these minutes, including the decisions made by the committees, be noted.

19/22 Wisbech Town Council's accounts and AGAR for 2021/22

Members considered the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) in relation to the council's accounts for the financial year 2021/22.

The figures within the Accounting Statements element of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/22 had been circulated to members, by the Clerk (and RFO), in advance of the meeting (the council's final quarter accounts for the financial year 2021/22 had been approved by the Resources Committee at minute R17/21).

The Clerk (and RFO) informed members that the council's Internal Auditor would be attending the Town Hall on 23 June 2022 to undertake the year-end audit.

Members decided, unanimously, on the proposal of Councillor Hoy, seconded by Councillor Lynn, that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return and Accounting Statements 2021/22 be approved (and signed by the Mayor), for scrutinising by council's Internal Auditor and subsequent submission to the council's External Auditor.

20/22 Mayor's report

The Mayor informed members of the activities and events that she had attended since the last meeting of the council.

Members were informed by the Mayor that her first month in that role had "flown by" and that she felt that she could "burst with pride" at being the Mayor of this beautiful town.

The Mayor informed members that since being elected as Mayor she had attended 11 events, some of which had been local and others "further afield". In addition, she had undertaken various other local activities, including two full days meeting and promoting local businesses, as well as meeting and linking-in with those who make Wisbech a lovely place to live. She had also been reaching-out to volunteer-run organisations to show the council's appreciation of their continued help to Wisbech.



Members were informed by the Mayor that one of the highlights during her first month in the role had been attendance at the council's Platinum Jubilee event on 3 June 2022, which had been a great success; she commented that it had been a pleasure to see so many people enjoying all that was on offer. The Armed Forces Day event on 19 June 2022 had also been a highlight; it was an excellent event and had been a great way to show appreciation to those who keep us safe.

The Mayor mentioned that the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Human, had attended the four events that she had been unable to attend due to work commitments or "double bookings" during the past month. She made the point that she and Councillor Human are working together to ensure that Wisbech is represented and promoted as much as possible.

Members were informed by the Mayor that she had selected her Mayor's Charity; she has decided to focus on just one charity – that being the Young People's Counselling Service (YPCS) - and to spend her Mayoral year highlighting the tremendous work of that organisation. She mentioned that the official opening of the Annabel Davis Centre, which delivers this service in Wisbech, would be taking place this coming Saturday and that, once that had taken place, she would start developing fundraising ideas.

The Mayor concluded her report by saying that she had thoroughly enjoyed her first month as Town Mayor. She mentioned that she already has 14 events booked for the forthcoming month, not to mention the more personal side of being Mayor and the extra things that councillors do to support the town and its people. The Mayor commented that she is looking forward to this year's WisBEACH Rock Festival on 7 August 2022; she expressed the opinion that it is always a great event and she has no doubt this year's event would be no different.

Members decided that the comments of the Mayor be noted.

21/22 Leader of the Council's report

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Hoy, commented that she had nothing specific to draw to members' attention at this time; all the matters that she may have mentioned would be covered in the Committee Chairmen's reports (minute 22/22 refers).

Members decided that the situation be noted.

22/22 Committee Chairmen's reports

Resources Committee

On behalf of the Chairman of the Resources Committee, Councillor Oliver (who had been unable to attend this meeting), the Clerk informed members that the Resources Committee had considered, at its meeting on 3 May 2022, the Town Council's financial position as at the 2021/22 financial year-end; had authorised the Clerk (and Responsible Financial Officer) to identify and secure more effective banking arrangements for the Town Council; had agreed the council's ear-marked reserves (totalling £245,568) as at 31 March 2022; had awarded a number of small grants and allocated funding from the special grants budget.

By way of update:

- the council's financial year-end position has been reflected in the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) for the financial year 2021/22, which had been considered at minute 19/22. Following Council approval, the Internal Auditor will undertake scrutiny of the council's financial position (on 23 June 2022) and, if satisfied with the situation, sign-off the AGAR, for forwarding by the Clerk (and RFO) to the External Auditor



- the Clerk (and RFO) has undertaken research of alternative providers of banking services, including consultation with members of the Cambridgeshire Branch of the Society of Local Council Clerks. As a result, he is proposing that the council utilises the services of Unity Trust Bank.

The Clerk reported, on behalf of Councillor Oliver, that the Resources Committee had also had a couple of joint meetings with the Wisbech Market Place Management Committee (on 24 February and 19 April 2022) to consider and agree funding aspects in relation to the Wisbech Market Place enhancement scheme. The Resources Committee would be meeting jointly with the Wisbech Town Centre Committee later this evening to consider a further funding matter in relation to that scheme.

The next meeting of the Resources Committee is scheduled for 11 July 2022. At that meeting, the committee would consider the council's financial position as at the end of quarter one of the financial year 2022/23 and grant applications which had been submitted since 3 May 2022 meeting.

Members decided that the information reported on behalf of the Chairman of the Resources Committee be noted.

Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee

On behalf of the Chairman of the Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee, Councillor Prest (who had been unable to attend this meeting), the Clerk informed members that the Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee continues to meet on two occasions per month. It considers a wide variety of planning applications, from minor property extensions to major commercial and residential developments, and makes its views known to the Local Planning Authority.

Members decided that the information reported on behalf of the Chairman of the Planning and Community Infrastructure Committee be noted.

Environment and Public Spaces Committee

Councillor Human, Chairman of the Environment and Open Spaces Committee, reported on matters which fall within the remit of this committee.

Allotments

Councillor Human commented that the council's allotments remain popular; the council continues to attract additional tenants. He mentioned that the council did have several applications pending but there had been a delay in the allocation of plots because of the temporary reduction in officer resources. This situation is being addressed now that the council's new Customer Services and Liaison Officer is in post.

Members were informed that no repair and maintenance works are required at this time. Council officers had heard nothing further from the tenant of the Waterlees allotments site who made representations at the February and March 2022 meetings of the Council.

Public toilets

Councillor Human mentioned that maintenance works to the council's public toilets at Exchange Square and Wisbech Park are undertaken as and when necessary. There are currently no works required to the toilets at Wisbech Park.



Regarding the toilets building at Exchange Square, replacement guttering had been installed recently and the Town Clerk had met since with a local building contractor with the aim of obtaining a quotation for undertaking other external repair works.

Anti-incinerator Campaign

Councillor Human informed members that the Town Clerk and he are liaising with Swann Edwards Architectural Services as necessary in relation to the submission of an objection to the proposal to construct an incinerator at Wisbech. The Town Council would be supported in that process by a specialist planning consultant via Swann Edwards.

Car Park

Members were informed by Councillor Human that works to remove weeds and other overgrown vegetation from the car parking area, adjacent to the Somers Road car park and leased from Cambridgeshire County Council by Wisbech Town Council, had been undertaken recently. No other maintenance works are needed at this time.

Members decided that the information reported by the Chairman of the Environment and Open Spaces Committee be noted.

Wisbech Town Centre Committee

Councillor Lynn, Chairman of the Wisbech Town Centre Committee, reported on matters which fall within the remit of this committee.

Wisbech Market Place

Members were informed by Councillor Lynn that the construction works required to deliver the long-awaited and much-anticipated enhancement scheme for Wisbech Market Place began on 19 April 2022 and, except for installing the council crest motif in the centre of the Market Place, the works are complete. It was mentioned by Councillor Lynn that the Market Place had been handed-back to Wisbech Town Council and re-opened this morning. Councillor Lynn commented that the ribbon had been cut by The Deputy Mayor, Peter Human, the owner of the company which undertook the works, Nick Barker, and him.

Councillor Lynn reminded members that associated with the enhancement scheme for the Market Place itself would be “pedestrianisation” of the Market Place area, whereby there would be no access to the Market Place from Church Terrace between 7.00 am and 4.00 pm each day. He informed members that It is anticipated that the Local Highway Authority would be undertaking the necessary works – including street lining and the installation of gates and signage - in the next few weeks.

Town Hall/office

Members were reminded by Councillor Lynn that maintenance work to the Town Hall is undertaken as necessary; all essential works are up-to-date. Re-painting of the front door to the building had been undertaken recently. He mentioned that the Clerk had invited a quotation from a local property maintenance company for undertaking some internal repair and maintenance works to the Town Hall.



Toilets at the Horsefair Shopping Centre

Councillor Lynn mentioned that the lease between New River Retail and Wisbech Town Council for the council to take-on the operation of the toilets at the Horsefair Shopping Centre had now been signed by both parties.

Members were informed by Councillor Lynn that the Town Clerk had met recently with the Manager of the Horsefair Shopping Centre to discuss several associated operational issues - such as installation of necessary meters for utilities, ensuring that all items of equipment (such as hand dryers) are in working order etc – necessary to achieve opening of the toilets and that agreement had been reached as to the actions required and by whom.

Councillor Lynn informed members that arrangements are in hand for the installation of a water meter (a requirement of the landlord within the lease) and the Town Clerk would be meeting later this week with a representative of the company which services and maintains the coin-operated door entry system. He reminded members that, at the meeting of the Wisbech Town Centre Committee held on 23 May 2022 members appointed a contractor to undertake the daily operation and supervision of these toilets (minute T4/22 refers). The re-opening of these toilets to the public is getting very close; it is anticipated that these toilets would be open to the public before the next scheduled meeting of Wisbech Town Council.

Wisbech Castle

Councillor Lynn mentioned that numerous pre-booked events (including paranormal evenings, escape room events, weddings etc) are taking place at Wisbech Castle. There is a steady “stream” of enquiries for holding events and activities at Wisbech Castle. Having regard for the level of volunteer capacity to “staff” events, a couple of months in this calendar year are deemed to be fully booked.

Members were reminded by Councillor Lynn that weekly “organisational planning” meetings at Wisbech Castle had been introduced last month, to ensure the efficient and effective operation of activities/bookings. New booking forms are being produced and associated processes are being reviewed. He mentioned that, at its meeting on 23 May 2022, the Town Centre Management Committee had decided that fees and charges in relation to the hire of accommodation and other facilities at Wisbech Castle be increased and that works to develop further the Castle gardens would be considered.

Members decided that the information reported by the Chairman of the Wisbech Town Centre Committee be noted.

Staffing and Communications Committee

Councillor Tierney, Chairman of the Staffing and Communications Committee, reported on matters which fall within the remit of this committee.

Councillor Tierney expressed the opinion that the council’s new Customer Services and Liaison Officer, who had commenced employment on 1 April 2022, is making a very noticeable contribution to the work of the council, including administering the renewal of market traders’ licences for the financial year 2022/23, supporting the work of the Community Events and Festivals Working Party in the planning of activities for 2022 and producing publicity and communications material for the council. He mentioned that he is working closely with this officer.



Mention was made by Councillor Tierney that the Clerk continues to look for relevant training and learning opportunities for the council's staff, so that they remain best placed to deliver efficient and effective service for both the council and the local community. He mentioned also that there had been no staff sickness absence during the financial year to date.

Councillor Tierney commented that there no specific communication issues facing the council currently.

Members decided that the information reported by the Chairman of the Staffing and Communications Committee be noted.

Community Events and Festivals Committee

Councillor Hoy, Chairman of the Community Events and Festivals Committee, reported on matters which fall within the remit of this committee.

Councillor Hoy mentioned that she had been extremely pleased with the resounding success of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration which had been delivered by the Town Council on 3 June 2022; a great time was had by all who attended.

Members were informed by Councillor Hoy that the planning for this year's WisBEACH Rock Festival (on 7 August 2022) is almost complete.

Mention was made by Councillor Hoy that the Town Clerk had submitted, on 13 May 2022, an application to the Arts Council, for several thousands of pounds, to expand this year's WisBEACH Rock Festival to increase, if the application is successful, the creative and cultural offer of the event. The Clerk has been informed that the council's bid meets the Arts Council's criteria for funding but is waiting to hear if funding would be forthcoming.

Councillor Hoy mentioned that planning had also commenced in relation to this year's Christmas lighting scheme and the associated switch-on event.

Members decided that the information reported by the Chairman of the Community Events and Festivals Committee be noted.

The future of this item of business

Councillor Hoy expressed the opinion that she can see no benefit in continuance of this item of business, which had been re-introduced at the request of Councillor Maul following a "gap" of almost two years in such reporting (minute 105/21 refers).

The comment was made by Miss Hoy that the production of these reports generates additional work for Committee Chairmen and the Town Clerk and serve no real purpose. The opinion was expressed by Councillor Hoy that all the information which is made available through this quarterly item of business is available by other means, such as the minutes of the council's committee meetings, press and other media releases and the Clerk's Report to meetings of Wisbech Town Council.

Councillor Tierney expressed his concurrence with Councillor Hoy's comments.

Members decided, unanimously, on the proposal of Councillor Hoy, seconded by Councillor Tierney, that the practice of Committee Chairmen providing reports on a quarterly basis to meetings of Wisbech Town Council be ceased with immediate effect.



23/22 Clerk's report

The Clerk informed members that he had nothing specific to draw to their attention at this time; all the matters that he may have reported, with the exception of correspondence received (mentioned below), were covered in the Committee Chairmen's reports (minute 22/22 refers).

Correspondence

Magpas Air Ambulance

The Clerk read to members a letter from the Fundraising Officer of Magpas Air Ambulance, expressing the charity's appreciation of the financial support which had been provided by the council (£300 from the small grants budget 2022/23) towards the charity's annual running costs (minute R18/21 refers).

Members decided that the content of the letter be noted.

Wisbech Branch of the Royal British Legion

The Clerk read to members a letter from the Chairman of the Wisbech Branch of the Royal British Legion, expressing the branch's appreciation of the financial support which had been provided by the council (£500 from the small grants budget 2022/23) towards the costs of the branch's centenary year (2022) celebrations (minute R18/21 refers).

Members decided that the content of the letter be noted.

Wisbech Armed Forces Day 2022

The Clerk read to members an e-mail from the organisers of the Wisbech Armed Forces Day event, expressing their appreciation of the financial support which had been provided by the council (£1,000 from the special grants budget for 2021/22 and a further £1,000 from the same budget for 2022/23) towards the costs of running this year's event (minutes R14/21 and R18/21 refer).

The organisers comment that, although in a different location this year (that being Somers Road car park instead of the Market Place), it had still been a successful day. They mention that they were grateful to the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress, who helped all day and were always willing to take-on tasks.

The organisers made the point that they were proud to have had the Mayor and her consort in attendance at the event; lending a hand where necessary and visiting every stall. The Mayor had also played an important part in the final parade and closing ceremony; she reminded all that Wisbech had a very long history with the Armed Forces and she expressed the hope that some of the young people present would continue that tradition.

The view is expressed by the event organisers that the profile of Wisbech had been raised because of the event through the involvement of the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Brigadier Tim Seal, officiating on behalf of the Queen. He and his wife had been in attendance throughout the event and, like the Town Mayor, had visited all stall holders.

Members decided that the content of the e-mail be noted.



24/21 Date of next meeting

Members noted that the next meeting of Wisbech Town Council is scheduled for 18 July 2022, to commence at 7.30 pm, at the offices of Wisbech Town Council.

Meeting finished at 8.40 pm.

Signed

Date