



**NELSON TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF NELSON TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL ON 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018 - 7pm.**

*PRESENT –*

*Councillor Zafar Ali (in the Chair)*

*Councillors: Sajid Ali, Majid Ali Anwar, Nazeem Hayat, Kamran Latif, Michelle Pearson-Asher, Nigel Pearson-Asher and Saanval Safir, Zeeshan Butt, Eileen Ansar, Adrian Barrett, John Richardson, Sheila Wicks, Mohammed Malik, Faraz Ahmed, Malik A Hussain, Mohammed Aslam, Neil McGowan,*

*In attendance: County Councillor Azhar Ali, Steve Watson (Clerk) and Megan Crabtree (Assistant Clerk) plus 1 resident).*

Councillor Zafar Ali opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**17/18/191 ONE MINUTE SILENCE**

A one-minute silence was observed.

**17/18/192 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors George Adam who was looking after an unwell family member.

**RESOLVED: That the above apologies and the reason given are accepted.**

**17/18/192 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**17/18/193 FORMALLY ADJOURN FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**RESOLVED: That the meeting is formally adjourned for Public Participation.**

A member of the public attended and made submissions objecting against the government's on the imposition

of ACOs (non-NHS bodies). The resident stated that she felt this would lead to a broken and fragmented NHS.

It was proposed by County Councillor Azhar Ali that the body responsible for the sustainable transportation plans be invited to give a presentation on the changes so that residents could make further representations on this issue.

**17/18/194 FORMALLY RECONVENE THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

**RESOLVED: That the meeting of the Town Council is reconvened.**

**17/18/195 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 were circulated.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 are amended to include that the clerk had taken a job at another council.**

**17/18/196 COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Minutes of the following Committees had been circulated:

- Planning Committee 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018, the Planning Committee of the 28<sup>th</sup> March was cancelled.
- Unity Wellbeing Management Committee 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018
- Finance and General Purposes Committee 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018
- Personnel Committee dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee dated 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 are amended to note that the town council will pay 50% of £11,903 (£5,951.50) towards the free swimming project.**

**Subject to the amendment, the minutes of all the said meetings above are accepted as a true record.**

**17/18/197 Financial Transactions**

It was noted that the financial transactions will be circulated at the next meeting.

**17/18/197 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Updates from representatives on the following outside bodies were received:

- a) Nelson Committee, Pendle Borough Council – Councillor Nazeem Hayat and Councillor Zeeshan Amjad.

*Nothing of importance was noted.*

- b) Pendle Branch, Lancashire Association of Local Councils – Councillors George Adam and Nazeem Hayat.

*Local issues surrounding speeding in various towns was discussed and the AGM is on 21.05.2018.*

- c) Pendle Fair Trade Group – Councillor Sheila Wicks.

*Fair trade exhibitions were to be held at Libraries. It was suggested that Nelson Library was also included as a possible venue.*

- d) Town Centre Partnership/Town Team – Councillors Sajid Ali, Eileen Ansar and the Town Clerk.

*There has not been a meeting.*

- e) Nelson Youth Forum – Councillors Nazeem Hayat and Saanval Safir.

*Councillors were not able to attend the scheduled meeting.*

- f) Whitefield Community Forum – Councillors Majid Anwar and Najaf Anwar.

*There was no update.*

- g) Bradley Big Local Committee – Councillors John Richardson and Nazeem Hayat.

*Councillor Richardson advised that a meeting had taken place and issues surrounding new developments was discussed.*

## **17/18/197 TRANSFERRED SERVICES**

### Parks

It was envisaged that further developments on the parks are to be considered at a meeting with Pendle Borough Council. It was noted that parks keepers had been redeployed within the council.

### MUGAs

Signage is still being arranged.

### CCTV

The CCTV hub is responding as and when queries are raised regarding incidents on the roads.

## **17/18/198 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**

The entry signage was in design phase and locations are to be reviewed soon. A short film on the town council's work is to be produced and aired at the annual town meeting.

## **17/18/199 PLIGHT OF POTHoles**

It was noted that there had been no acknowledgement by County Councillor Keith Iddon on the Town Council's request to meet the cabinet member for highways to discuss what was being done about Nelson's highways.

**RESOLVED: A further request is to be sent to Keith Iddon to arrange a meeting in Nelson.**

**17/18/200 COUNCILLOR DISPLAY**

All councilors who had not provided a photo were reminded to provide one. These are to be displayed on the website and councilor displays around wards in Nelson.

**17/18/201 NORTHERN FOREST**

A motion was passed in the same terms as Pendle Borough Council.

**17/18/202 CLERK'S REPORT INCLUDING CORRESPONDENCE**

**RESOLVED: That the Clerk's report is noted.**

**17/18/203 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next Nelson Town Council meeting is due to be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7:00pm in the Town Hall, Market Street, Nelson.

**The said meeting will be preceded by the Annual General Meeting of Nelson Town Council.**

Everyone was thanked for attending.