



MALTON PARISH ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY OF MALTON TOWN HELD AT THE WESLEY CENTRE, SAVILLE STREET, MALTON AT 6PM ON 27 APRIL 2022

PRESENT Cllrs K Ennis (Mayor), S Hawes (Deputy Mayor), L Burr MBE, P Emberley, G Lake, J Lawrence, P Andrews, M Brampton, G Boler and I Conlan

IN ATTENDANCE Mrs G Cook (Clerk) and Mr T Hicks (Deputy Clerk)

OTHERS Canon John Manchester and Cllr R King (Norton Town Council) were in attendance

APOLOGIES Cllr C Delaney & Revd P Sheasby (Chaplain)

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 28th April 2021 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman of the Meeting as a correct record. Proposed by Councillor P Andrews, seconded by Cllr G Lake, all other Members who attended the meeting approved.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MAYOR

“Although 2021 into early 2022 continued to be another challenging year due to the Covid 19 pandemic we are now seeing the light at the end of the tunnel as we return to relative normality.

Throughout this time the Council and in particular our Clerk, Deputy Clerk and other staff members have worked hard to continually improve the town in areas that are within our scope. It has also been heartening to see as we recover from the pandemic new businesses opening up in Malton, which is good news for the local economy and shows confidence in the town. Along with this, the renovations of both the Milton Rooms and the Wesley Centre as music, arts, entertainment and community centres should put Malton on the map, as not only a food destination but a cultural one as well.

Malton In Bloom volunteers once again provided the town with a spectacular floral display which was not only uplifting for residents to see and appreciated for the boost they gave to local businesses, but was much commented on and admired by visitors and tourists to the town alike. We have also extended planters to more areas of the town so everyone can enjoy the displays and currently in process is the planting of a lavender maze and sensory garden in the Broughton Road area. All these improvements encourage a sense of pride in the town as well as having economic benefits from increased tourist footfall.

As part of our ongoing commitment to the environment and also tying in with the Queens Platinum Jubilee, we have planted four trees on Milton Avenue and a further three or four will be planted soon and we are actively looking at what we can further do to reduce our carbon emissions.

The Council recognises there is a climate change emergency and as such now has a policy setting out the steps we will be taking to endeavour to be Carbon Neutral by 2035. It will be a live document that will be updated frequently with our progress and we hope to encourage and support residents of Malton with ideas and practical solutions that will help them to reduce their own carbon emissions.

Along with the Orchard Fields, Malton Town Council this year also took on the responsibility of paying the rent for Lady Spring Woods, enabling these much loved areas to be kept as open spaces to be enjoyed by the residents of both Malton and Norton alike.

Further investment in a new garage/workshop and shed at the cemetery have completed the works that started with the renovations of the Chapel. We are very pleased that already there have been a number of bookings for the chapel, be that for services or for other meetings, breathing life back into this beautiful building.

I am personally pleased to have initiated the Young Persons Award Scheme which recognises the achievements of our younger residents, which will hopefully go from strength to strength over the coming years.

Going forward as a Council we will strive to carry on doing what we can to improve areas of Malton such as Castlegate, Peasey Hills and Rainbow Lane play area, working with stakeholders and residents alike.

I would like to thank our Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Cemetery Manager and other staff members for all their hard work, as well as all the Councillors who voluntarily give their time to serve on the Council, helping to make Malton a town that we can be proud to live in and that people want to visit.”

DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Burr gave a brief update on her role as a District Councillor and the changes due to the government reorganisation.

ITEMS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS

None

Chairman..... Date