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West Lindsey District Council - 12 September 2023

WEST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held in the Council Chamber - The Guildhall, Marshall's Yard, Gainsborough, DN21 2NA on 12 September 2023 at 6.30 pm.

Present: Councillor Stephen Bunney (Chairman)

Councillor Emma Bailey	Councillor John Barrett
Councillor Owen Bierley	Councillor Trevor Bridgwood
Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway	Councillor Liz Clews
Councillor Frazer Brown	Councillor Karen Carless
Councillor Christopher Darcel	Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Adam Duguid	Councillor Jacob Flear
Councillor Ian Fleetwood	Councillor Paul Lee
Councillor Lynda Mullally	Councillor Maureen Palmer
Councillor Roger Patterson	Councillor Roger Pilgrim
Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings	Councillor Jim Snee
Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee	Councillor Paul Swift
Councillor Baptiste Velan	Councillor Trevor Young

In Attendance:

Ian Knowles	Chief Executive
Emma Foy	Director of Corporate Services and Section 151
Katie Storr	Democratic Services & Elections Team Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer

Apologies

Councillor Matthew Boles
Councillor Eve Bennett
Councillor Sabastian Hague
Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence
Councillor Peter Morris
Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers
Councillor Tom Smith
Councillor Moira Westley

29 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE 'S ANNOUNCEMENT

The Chairman welcomed Members and Officers and thanked them for their attendance at the Extraordinary Meeting of Council.

The reasons for calling such a meeting had been provided to Members and the Parish Council effected but the Chief Executive took the opportunity to again outline these, noting any delay in adopting the Plan would have seen the potential for the referendum to have

been re-run, a matter which Officers had not been aware of when making the decision to cancel the scheduled meeting.

Members were again thanked for their attendance and understanding of the situation.

30 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made at this point in the meeting.

31 ADOPTION OF THE KEELBY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chairman introduced the report and explained that the tradition, when adopting these Plans, was for Members of the relevant Parish Council and /or Neighbourhood Planning Group to be in attendance. Unfortunately, it was not feasible for a Keelby Parish Council representative to be present at the meeting. However, it was important to recognise these achievements, and as such the presentation element of the adoption would be made at Council's meeting in November. The Chairman also indicated that he was liaising with one of the Local Ward Members regarding a visit to the Parish.

The report of the Director of Planning, Regeneration and Communities, which sought approval to adopt the Neighbourhood Plan for the parish of Keelby, was considered.

It was explained that on adoption the Plan would officially form part of the development plan for the District and would have a major influence on planning application decisions in the Keelby Parish. The Neighbourhood Plan had been prepared by a Steering Group on behalf of the Parish Council and the group, in their absence, were congratulated for their hard work and for successfully completing the Plan which had been complimented by the Examiner.

The Keelby Neighbourhood Plan had involved two rounds of public consultation and had been successful at both examination and referendum. The referendum saw residents voting 80% in favour of the plan and the adoption meant that West Lindsey would have 25 adopted plans with 17 in preparation and eight being reviewed.

A Local Member expressed support for the approval of the plan and thanked Officers for their hard work in ensuring it was adopted in a timely manner. The reasons for the Group not being in attendance was again referenced and it was suggested that recognising the achievement of the Parish Council was important, but it also gave encouragement to those councils still going through the process.

In response to earlier comments, a member clarified that 80.8% of those residents who had voted in the referendum had supported the Plan, as opposed to the turn out being 80%, which may have been implied.

Having been proposed and seconded on being put to the vote it was

RESOLVED that the Keelby Neighbourhood Plan be adopted in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.

Note: - During consideration of the above item of business, Councillor Owen Bierley declared a personal non-prejudicial interest as he was a member of the Keelby Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

The meeting concluded at 6.41 pm.

Chairman