

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BECCLES FENLAND CHARITY TRUST HELD ON TUESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2024 IN COUNCIL CHAMBER AT TOWN HALL

Present

Councillors: Christine Wheeler (Chair), Richard Stubbings, Sam Hunt, Barry Darch, Colin Hill, Jeff Harris, Tarek Lahin, Stevie Bubb, Daniel Smith, Peter Shannon and Philippa Drew.

In Attendance: Paul Cunningham (Secretary)

Members of the Public: 1

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Gillian Birrell, Nathalie Chidley and Chris Greenhill.

2. To receive declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

There were none.

3. To approve the minutes of the Beccles Fenland Charity Trust meeting held on Tuesday 9th January 2024

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Beccles Fenland Charity Trust meeting held on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

Secretary reported that the one action point from this meeting had been completed.

5. To receive the minutes of the Development, Commerce & Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 11th December 2023 and the draft minutes of the meeting held on Monday 29th January 2024

RESOLVED to receive the minutes / draft minutes of the above meetings.

6. To receive the draft minutes of the Assets & Estates Committee meeting held on Wednesday 24th January 2023

RESOLVED to receive the draft minutes of the above meeting.

7. To receive the draft minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on Wednesday 24th January 2024

RESOLVED to receive the draft minutes of the above meeting.

8. To consider an appropriate charge for the use of the Quay field by Stock's Fair in May 2024

Secretary explained that the issue has arisen because the fair wants to 10 days but only trade for six of those dates and therefore only pay for six days, in effect camping for free on the Quay field for four days. Councillors noted that the standard rates were £450 for a trading day and £100 for set up and take down days.

Chair proposed that the fair be charged the standard rate and £100 per day for the four intermediate non-trading days. This was seconded by Cllr Smith, a vote was taken which was in favour and it was therefore

RESOLVED to charge the fair the standard rate and £100 per day for the four intermediate non-trading days.

9. To receive the Responsible Financial Officer's Report and agree the payment schedules for January 2024

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10. Any Other Business

Cllr Stubbings raised the issue of 'parkrun' and stressed the unsuitability of the Common as a location. He noted the importance of a proper park being included within the Garden Neighbourhood development and he asked that this be referred to a future meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee. Cllr Shannon noted that the potential for 'parkrun' at the Quay is still being investigated.

11. Date of next meeting Tuesday 5th March 2024 following the Town Council meeting

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting is confirmed as Tuesday 5th March 2024 in Council Chamber at Town Hall.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**12. To receive the draft confidential minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on Wednesday 24th January 2024**

RESOLVED to receive the draft confidential minutes of the above meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.07pm.

ACTION POINTS

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>What?</u>	<u>By Whom?</u>	<u>By When?</u>
8	To advise the fair the standard charges would apply and £100 per day for the four intermediate non-trading days	Deputy Secretary	Asap