Elloughton cum Brough Town Council

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 19th April 2022, held at Meeting Room, Petuaria Community Centre, Centurion Way, Brough.

Present: Cllr Bentley, Cllr Muzaffar, Cllr Luckraft, Cllr S Duckles, Cllr Duckles, Cllr Rowe, Cllr J Loizides, Cllr Hakes, Cllr Dawson, Mrs P Beverley (Town Clerk), Mrs P Scullion (Events Coordinator), Miss A Greenwood (Admin Assistant).

Public: No members of public present.

AM1/22 Roll call of Councillors, Officer and members of the public present.

Record confirmed.

RESOLVED: Council roll call of Councillors, Officers and members of the public present record confirmed.

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AM2/22 To accept apologies
Apologies received from Cllr Loizides and Cllr Trotter.

AM3/22 To confirm a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Annual

Parish Meeting held on the 20th April 2021.

Cllr Muzaffar proposed, seconded by Cllr Rowe and agreed unanimously that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

RESOLVED: Council resolved to confirm and approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 20th April 2022.

AM4/22 To receive a report from the Town Council Chairman relating to the work

of the Town Council.

Cllr Bentley, Chairman of Elloughton cum Brough Town Council, gave the following report:

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

Welcome to the meeting.

Under 1972 Local Government Act it is the Councils duty to hold an Annual Parish Meeting of Electors.

Although this not an official Council Meeting as Chair of Elloughton cum Brough Town Council I am obliged to chair this meeting.

The Council in this past year once again with the diligence of its office staff been able to deliyer the budget with no increase in the precept. Unfortunately going forward

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into this financial year it has been necessary to increase the precept by 5%, this is largely as a result of no increase in past years in addition to the challenges of rising utility bills and other costs associated to operating the Town Council.

Throughout the year the Town Council, led by the Environment Committee, has continued to maintain its assets, which include bins, benches, noticeboards and the park of Elloughton Road. There have been additions and replacements to benches to ensure the safety of our residents. The Park has seen two older items that reached the end of their lifespans removed, with the Town Council paying for a new See-Saw to be installed and commencing grant funding for a larger piece of play equipment to replace the wooden climbing trail.

The Environment Committee has led a project to plant 15 trees at Wiske Avenue this year, with the support of a local resident, who has ensured they have been watered and cared for. We have also planted a Jubilee Tree on Welton Road, as part of the Queens Green Canopy initiative.

The Town Council has recently organised a litter pick in the Community, we hope to see these kind of initiatives grow in attendance with a larger community involvement. Thank you to staff and their families for participating in this event and collecting a large amount of litter from Morrison's to the Play Park on Elloughton Road

The Events hosted by the Town Council this year, as a result of the Events Committees hard work, have grown and grown in their success, these have included; the Teddy Burrs Picnic, this event took place over Summer and saw a number of bands and entertainers attend, the event was well attended by the Community and we can consider this event as a true success; this was followed by the Scared-Crow Festival, which once again saw fantastic resident participation and some truly fantastic entries; Remembrance Day, which saw the Town Council install poppies on the lampposts and the light up poppies on the two Churches at the crossroads in Elloughton and Brough, they also installed the Soldier at the War Memorial and turned the lighting here to red for the duration. The service held at the War Memorial was attended by the Chairman and other Councillors and this year after Covid-19 restrictions had eased, members of the Community were able to attend.

Following on from this was the Christmas events, this included the December to Remember competition, which unfortunately due to the pace of life picking up again, was not as popular as the previous year, however this was more than made up for with the amazing success of the Christmas Light Switch on hosted by the Town Council together with the Half Moon at Elloughton. The Town Council increased the budget for Christmas Lights and nearly doubled the amount of street columns with lights on, these lights were also increased in size and modernised displays installed, which were extremely well received by the Community. In addition to the number of increased columns the Town Council also installed a Christmas tree at Elloughton Corner and large sphere decorations into the trees at the War Memorial and Morrison's in Brough.

The Switch On event itself was extremely well attended and received phenomenal positive feedback. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Half Moon in Elloughton for all their support with this event, we couldn't have done it without you.

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Also thank you to the School Choirs, singers and the ERY Brass Band that attended the event to provide amazing entertainment throughout the evening.

A big thank you to the Marriott Family who were the stars of the evening and switched on the Christmas Lights.

Our most recent event was the Easter Egg Hunt, which as last year proved to be an egg-sellent success and was enjoyed by parents and children alike, it was made even better by the sunshine coming out at our request.

Coming on Thursday 2nd June the Town Council together with Welton Parish Council will be lighting a Beacon on High Road Elloughton to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. The event will start at approximately 9pm with the Cadets marching up the road. Before lighting the Beacon we have a bugler and a pipe major to play specific music scores. We hope you will be able to attend!

The Town Council has increased their Social Media presence and now has two staff who are dedicated to ensuring you are always up to date with news or information you may require or find useful. You can find us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

This year after a brief interlude due to the Covid-19 pandemic we have seen the return of the Petuaria Press. As a result of the Community Consultation the format of the publication has predominately changed to online, this is due to the high costs to print and deliver to every home in the Town. You can find the Petuaria Press on the Town Council website and all our Social Media channels. You can also register to be included on the mailing list to receive any future copies. Hard copies can be found in key locations in the Town. To further reduce the cost of this publication, the editorial has been brought in house and our Administrative Assistant has done an amazing job on producing the first edition.

This year the Town Council has undertaken a Community Consultation, which was available to complete between July and October 2021 in various formats, both online and in person. We received a good sample of responses from the Community and now have information to help in any future projects within the Town. Further analysis is currently underway on the responses and the Town Council will be publishing information in the near future.

This year the Town Council has continued to support local organisations through the two grant schemes, Annual Grants and Community Grants, these are able to be made using powers authorised in S137 LGA. Thank you to all Volunteer organisations in and around Elloughton cum Brough for your continued hard work in the community.

I would like to thank the Town Clerk and Office Staff for all their hard work and commitment to ensuring all of the ideas for the community, whether they be for the environment or events are turned into a reality, also for all their hard work and due diligence over the last year. The Town Council would also like to express their Congratulations and Best wishes to our Deputy Clerk and family on the recent birth of her Son. I would also like to pass on my sincere thanks to Councillors for their continued support throughout the year.

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Finally I would like to welcome a new member of staff who joined the team today, a Town Handyman. As the Town continues to grow, this will be a role that develops and evolves over time, as he ensures that high standards are maintained around the Town.

It has been my sincere privilege to be the Chairman of ETBC once again this year, I have thoroughly enjoyed this role and overseeing the positive steps forward the Town Council are making.

Before opening the meeting to the public can I remind you that Town Council Meetings are preceded by a 15 minute time slot where members of the public are welcomed to speak to the Council and express any concerns or views. Full Council Meetings are normally held on the third Tuesday of each month and other Committee meetings are held on every second Tuesday.

AM5/22 Members of the public are invited to ask questions or raise important issues within the Town Council area.

No members of the public present.

RESOLVED: No members of the public present, meeting closed 6.47pm.

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