# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD IN THE CARNEGIE ON THURSDAY 13th APRIL 2023

## Start Time 6.30 pm

Present: The Town Mayor, Councillor Jane James, Chairman.

Councillors present: Carla Barreto, Mike Brindle, Denis Crawford, Chris Harvey, Terry Jermy, Mac MacDonald.

Officers present: Tina Cunnell (Town Clerk), Alan Yorke (Deputy Town Clerk and Finance Officer), Kerry Leeder (Civic Secretary), Karen Robinson (Committee Clerk).

Attendees: There were four member of the public present and three presenters.

#### MINUTES

#### 1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: The minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

### 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies: Councillors Roy Brame, Dave Hodgkinson, Jen Hollis, Ken Parker, Barbara Tullett, Stuart Wright.

Absent: Councillors Brenda Canham, Susan Dowling, Mark Taylor.

### 3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports were received from the following Chair of Committees:

Allotments Councillor Denis Crawford Amenities Councillor Terry Jermy Councillor Brenda Canham Cemetery Councillor Jane James **Finance** Councillor Jane James Heritage and Town Events Councillor Denis Crawford Personnel Planning Councillor Jane James Councillor Carla Barreto Venues and Communications

Councillors thanked staff for their hard work and support during the year.

### 4. PRESENTATION FROM LOCAL GROUPS

Reports were received from the following Local Groups:

Run Breckland

The Norfolk Reading Project

#### 5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- A member of the public asked about the sale of land at the Mundford Road Allotment Site. The Town Clerk replied that a feasibility study needs to be performed, in the first instance, before any further investigations can take place.
- A member of the public asked about the minimal amount of signage installed regarding the 30 For Thetford Campaign. The Mayor replied that some signage had been

installed by Norfolk County Council, but the Highway Code also states that the speed limit is 30 miles per hour in built-up areas, unless there are signs showing otherwise.

• A member of the public asked about the refurbishment of the shops on Riverside Walk. The Mayor replied that there are five small shop units under construction.

The Chairman closed the meeting.

Chairman.