

# **SKEGNESS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

## **Minutes of Skegness Annual Town Meeting**

**Held at Tower Gardens Pavilion at 7.00 pm on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

**PRESENT:** Councillor T Burnham (Town Mayor) in the Chair.

Brian Mundy (Weald Tai Chi), Roisin Mullee (Safer Together), Sgt Geoff Harrison, Angie Robinson (Visit Lincs Coast), Paul Hirrons (Crime Stoppers) Amanda Riding & James Hassel (RNIB), Norman Prime (Skegness Silver Band), Margaret Taylor & Bob Field (Skegness Rotary), Anna Wilson (Lincolnshire CVS), Charles Tibble (RNLI) L Clarkson, R Taylor, S & J McNicol (RBL), Tina Mellors (Alive & Kicking), Bob Walker (Skegness Chamber), Chrissy Redford (Skegness Standard), Pat Lowe (Resident), J Bottling (Resident) and T Hindmarsh (Resident). Councillors P Barry, M Dannatt, D Edginton, C Macey, G Saxon, J Sadler, and T Tye.

**Officers:** Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk.

### **1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (Agenda Item 1)**

The minutes of the Skegness Annual Town Meeting on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021 were confirmed as a correct record.

### **2. SKEGNESS TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22 (Agenda Item 2)**

The Town Mayor thanked everyone for coming and gave a short report on his Mayoral year and the Annual Report. He spoke on some of the events he had attended and thanked the community for their support. The Town Clerk confirmed the report is available from the office or to download from the Council's website. The report was accepted.

### **3. QUESTIONS ON AND MATTERS RELATING TO THE ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22 (Agenda Item 3)**

None.

### **4. AN OPPORTUNITY TO INFORM RESIDENTS AND COUNCIL OF THE WORK ORGANISATIONS ARE DOING (Agenda Item 4)**

- Weald Tai Chi – Brian Munday gave Tai Chi demonstration and spoke on the wellbeing benefits of Tai Chi.
- Visit Lincs Coast – Angie Robinson gave a presentation on what the BID had been doing along the coast and talked about some of the upcoming events they are supporting this season and how important it

is to keep the Lincolnshire Coast in the spotlight.

- Safer Together – Roisin Mullee gave a presentation on her role as the Safer Together co-ordinator for East Lindsey to increase engagement, understand issues and help make communities feel safer.
- Skegness Neighbourhood Police – Sgt Harrison spoke about some recent operations to target the use and supply of drugs in the Town including working with British Transport Police at Skegness Rail Station and Operation California which works with local pubs and clubs to reduce drug use in partnership with ELDC.
- Crime Stoppers – Paul Hirrons gave a presentation on Crime Stoppers including how to contact them and the sort of things they deal with.
- RNIB – James Hassel spoke on how important the use of space in Café Dansant is to support their peer-to-peer work and ensuring they feel part of the community.
- Skegness Silver Band – Norman Prime spoke about some of the performances they have done and have planned for the Summer they thanked the Town Council for organising for them to play in the bandstand and spoke of the benefits of working together with other organisations at events.
- Skegness Rotary Club – Margaret Taylor spoke on the work the Rotary has and continues to do with local schools to support children including establishing some “chill out” garden areas and anti-bullying workshops.
- Lincolnshire CVS – Anna Wilson spoke about the support available to the voluntary sector with funding and DBS checks. She also spoke about social prescribing to support people back into the community.
- RNLI – Charles Tibble spoke about the work he continues to do with the Skegness Lifeboat from crew member to the work he currently does to to educate people on beach and water safety and assist with ashes being scattered at sea.
- Skegness Chamber of Commerce – Bob Walker spoke about the work the chamber continues to do to support businesses throughout the pandemic and the recover. He spoke on how membership has risen and the chambers project to bring Expo 23 back to Skegness (formerly known as Caterex).
- Citizens Advice – Patricia Lowe spoke briefly about the return of face to face support at Citizens advice and how she would like to return next year to present on the work citizens advice is doing in the Town.

The Mayor thanked everyone for their time.

**5. RESIDENTS TO RAISE ANY MATTERS RELATING TO THE TOWN**  
**(Agenda Item 5)**

None.

**The Meeting Closed at 8:15pm**