

St. Anne's on the Sea Town Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Town Council held
on 15th November 2016 at 7pm
at St. Anne's Palace, 18 Garden Street, St. Anne's on the Sea, FY8 2AA

Present:	Councillors	C Little T Ford K Henshaw A Jacques C Lanyon B Meadowcroft E Nash V Settle V Willder	Chairman
	Officers	S Taylor J Nightingale	Town Clerk Town Council Support Officer
	Members of the Public	2	

Prior to the start of the meeting Queen Elizabeth 90th Birthday medals were presented by the Town Mayor – Councillor Cheryl Little to:

- *Darrel Treece-Birch – for all his work in establishing the St. Anne's Enterprise Partnership*
- *Tony Howard and Susan Matthews on behalf of Shepherd Road Allotment Society – for all the many unpaid hours provided by volunteers in establishing the Allotment Gardens as an excellent community facility*
- *Barbara Mackenzie – for her outstanding contribution for the community, including her contribution in setting up the Town Council to give local people a voice*
- *Arnold Sumner – for his continued commitment and dedication to the people of St. Anne's, including his contribution to the St. Anne's Chamber of Trade.*

261/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Akeroyd and Councillor Neale and Councillor Willder.

262/16 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS – INFORMATION ONLY

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Council meeting.

The Mayor gave congratulations on behalf of the Town Council to St. Anne's in Bloom for the outstanding achievement in being awarded gold in the North West in Bloom Awards.

The Mayor advised that on Monday 17th October 2016, at 2pm she had unveiled a blue plaque at St. Anne's Railway Station. This was to commemorate Sir Nigel Gresley who designed the A1 pacific, Flying Scotsman, which was the first steam locomotive to officially record over 100 mph in passenger service locomotive. He had married Miss Ethel Frances Fullagar who lived in St. Anne's, on 17th October 1901 at St. Anne's Parish Church.

The Town Mayor formally thanked Councillor Ed Nash and Councillor Barbara Nash for all their hard work and contribution in organising the Festival of Remembrance.

The Council were informed that the Town Mayor's Carol Service was being held on Friday 9th December 2016, at St Thomas' Church from 6.30 pm. All proceeds raised would be donated to the Mayor's Charity, the RNLI.

263/16 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

- RESOLVED** a) That the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on, 14th September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed accordingly,
b) That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 20th September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed accordingly.

264/16 COMMITTEE MINUTES

Planning and Environment Committee 15 th September 2016	Appendix C
Leisure and Community Committee 10 th October 2016	Appendix D
Planning and Environment Committee 20 th October 2016	Appendix E

RESOLVED That the minutes of the above Committees be noted.

265/16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned at this point to allow for public participation.

Members of the public raised the following items:

- The Fylde Mayor's shop window display competition within St. Anne's had started in 1953
- The presentation provided by St Annes in Bloom at Hope Street celebrating the gold award for the town had been very well attended and was a fantastic achievement
- Silver Bell Jazz Band would be playing in St. Anne's square on 17th December 2016.

The meeting then re-convened.

266/16 ACCOUNTS

RESOLVED That the schedule of accounts for payments in the sum of £6818.37 be approved.

267/16 ST. ANNE'S NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Town Clerk reported that she had received the response from Fylde Council regarding the outcome of the Habitat Regulations Assessment of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The outcome of the Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) was as follows;

"The extension of the settlement boundary in the Neighbourhood Plan would impact on the Ramsar site. However, once the Queensway site was fully developed the wildlife may move to a site further away from the development."

The outcome of the HRA had now been passed to Natural England for a determination. If Natural England accepted the recommendation to move the settlement boundary back to its original location as detailed within the Neighbourhood Plan, Fylde Council would make the amendment. Natural England was anticipated to confirm its decision by the end of November 2016.

RESOLVED That the progress on St. Anne's Neighbourhood Development Plan be noted and all actions agreed and supported.

268/16 WEST LODGE – CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

The Council agreed the Christmas opening hours for West Lodge; this included the closure on Monday 28th November 2016, to allow staff to take time off in lieu of working Christmas Switch On.

RESOLVED a) That the Town Council would be closed from midday Friday 23rd December 2016 and reopen on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.
b) That the Town Council would be closed on Monday 28th November 2016.

269/16 ST. ANNE'S ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP

Councillor Nash updated the Council on the partnership, including the following points;

- All the nominated theme groups within the partnership had now organised meetings for each group to be held before the spring.
- There was a STEP meeting open to the public on Monday 17th November 2016, 6pm at Aztex Venue, at the Pleasure Island Complex.
- STEP had been instrumental in organising and obtaining a large street art mural to be placed on Orchard Road/Park Road. This was 100% grant funded.
- Other upcoming projects included the Friends of Promenade Gardens redesigning the old paddling pool with a proposed new water play area.
- Mr Chris Webb from the Dalmeny Hotel was leading the hoteliers theme group.

RESOLVED That the progress on St. Anne's Enterprise Partnership be noted and all actions agreed and supported.

270/16 ST. ANNE'S IN BLOOM

Councillor Ford updated the Council on the many successes for St. Anne's from North West In Bloom. These included;

- **Gold Award** for the town of St. Anne's
- Blundell Road Allotment Gardens - Outstanding in Neighbourhood Awards – 6th consecutive year
- Friend of St. Anne's Station -Thriving in Neighbourhood Awards
- Shepherd Road Allotment Gardens - Outstanding in Neighbourhood Awards

Councillor Ford explained it was a joint community effort in achieving the gold award for the town. He thanked the Town Council for substantially funding St. Anne's in Bloom and for the additional grant funding given to Friends of St. Anne's Station.

He requested that the signs located at the four gateways to the town be updated to include the 2016 Gold award. The Town Council fully supported this request and agreed to fund the costs, including a plaque for West Lodge recording this achievement.

It was noted that ambitions for St. Anne's in Bloom 2017 included encouraging more traders, businesses and hotels to enter the competition.

RESOLVED a) That the Town Council fund the cost of updating the four gateway signs within St. Anne's to record the gold award for 2016.
b) That the Town Council fund a plaque for West Lodge recording the gold award.
c) That the Town Clerk be authorised to use funding from the projects budget heading for these costs.

271/16 APPOINTMENTS TO STANDING COMMITTEES

RESOLVED That Councillor Stan Trudgill be formally appointed onto the Planning and Environment Committee.

272/16 MEMBERS REPORTS – INFORMATION ONLY

Councillor Jacques advised that there was a craft fair being held at the same time as the Christmas Lights Switch On event, Saturday 26th November 2016. It was being held at St. Anne's Palace, 18 Garden Street, with all proceeds going to St. Anne's Carnival Fund.

Councillor Nash reported that Fylde Council's St. Anne's car-parks would be free on 3-4 December, 10-11 December and 17-18 December 2016. He added that there would be a centenary event to commemorate the ending of the First World War. The Treaty of Versailles signed on the 28th June 1919 officially ended the First World War; the centenary event would take place on 8th July 2019.

Councillor Lanyon reported on the recent success of the Youth Council. St. Anne's Youth Council were a group of young people from across the town who came together in their different volunteer roles. In October 2016, the Youth Council were presented with a volunteers' award from UR Potential at the Big Fylde Celebration held at AKS school. It was also noted that the Youth Council attended Remembrance Sunday event in Ashton Gardens and four members visited the Synagogue afterwards.

Councillor Ford advised the Council on the success of the unveiling of the blue plaque to commemorate Sir Nigel Gresley; see minute reference 262/16.

Councillor Ford updated the meeting on the recent Rail Future awards (a campaigning group to improve passenger and freight services) that the Friends of St. Anne's Stations group were awarded. The Friends group won the both best social media and best new friends group awards, which was an outstanding achievement because the group had only been in operation for less than 12 months. He detailed how the group was working to improve the appearance of derelict land at St. Anne's Station. He also reported on the scheme to involve schools within St. Anne's to become part of the 'passengers for the future' project, organised by the Community Rail Partnership.

The Mayor thanked Mayfield School for their help in facilitating the Lantern Parade workshop which was funded by the Town Council. She also thanked John Nightingale, Darrel Treece-Birch and Colin Ballard – the Town Crier for their involvement and support of the workshop.

The Mayor reminded the Council of;

- The Town Council Christmas Switch On Event on Saturday 26th November, that included entertainment, a lantern parade and the official switch on taking place at 5.30 pm
- The Victorian Festival on being held in the town centre on Saturday 3rd December and Sunday 4th December 2016; activities included were horse and carriage rides, traders in period costume, Morris dancers, a shanty choir, and Father Christmas.

Councillor Little detailed the rise in burglaries that included stealing goods and cars across the town. She asked that people be extra vigilant throughout Christmas and the New Year period.

273/16 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next Council Meeting would be held on **Tuesday 31st January 2017, commencing 7pm at St. Anne's Palace, 18 Garden Street, St. Anne's on the Sea, FY8 2AA.**

The meeting finished at 7.43pm

Signed.....

Chairman
31st January 2017

St. Anne's on the Sea Town Council
PAYMENTS LIST
Vouchers 196-273 in Cash Book, greater than £300.00
Report 18.09.16 - 07.11.16

<u>Voucher</u>	<u>Chq No</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Total</u>
213	1893	54	BDO Limited	External Audit Fee 2015-2016	£600.00
219	IBanking	111	Fylde Council	Town Council contribution to new Crescent Lighting	£2,000.00
228	IBanking	136	Leander Architectural	Blue Plaque for Station	£303.37
245	1900	110	St Thomas Church	Grant for Town Centre Christmas Crib	£635.00
258	IBanking	155	Keith Reed Limited	Neighbourhood Plan	£1,165.00
259	IBanking	155	K Keeley UP & Regeneration	Neighbourhood Plan	£1,565.00
262	IBanking	93	Filip Training	Town Council Planning Day facilitation and report	£550.00
Total					£6,818.37

Signed
Chairman

31st January 2017