

**RAUNDS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

**9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Time 7.30pm**

**NB:** The meeting was held via Zoom video link. Details of the meeting and a link enabling members of the public to join the meeting were published on the Town Council website. The meeting was held in compliance with Regulation 5 (2) of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

**PRESENT:**

Cllr S Hughes (Chair), Cllr R Beattie, Cllr K Harrison, Cllr O Curtis, Cllr B Tirebuck, Cllr R Tyman, Cllr H Howell, Cllr D Hughes, and Cllr R Levell

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ms Nina L. Villa, Interim Town Clerk, Minutes  
Miss Joanne Coduri, Assistant to the Clerk

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Various members of the public

**619.20 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr L Wilkes (for the first 30mins of the meeting)

**RESOLVED to note the apologies.**

**620.20 Notification of requests from members of the public to address the meeting in compliance with adopted protocol.**

Mr Bruce Darling gave a statement in support of the grant application from the Community First Responder group.

Mr Peter Wathen gave a statement concerning the library and asked the Council to consider the Chancellors recent announcement regarding match funding for Council's purchasing community assets.

**621.20 Notification of members questions in compliance with the council's standing orders.**

**NONE RECEIVED**

**622.20 Declarations of Interest.**

COUNCILLORS ARE REMINDED THAT IF THEY HAVE EITHER A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST OR OTHER INTEREST IN ANY ITEM THEN THEY SHOULD DECLARE THE INTEREST AND LEAVE THE MEETING FOR THAT ITEM

Cllrs D Hughes and H Howell declared nonpecuniary interests in item 563.20 (grant funding) due to their involvement with the respective groups.

**623.20** [Minutes](#): to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 be confirmed as a true record.**

**624.20** [Minutes](#): to confirm the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021 be confirmed as a true record.**

**625.20** [Committee report](#): To receive the report of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

Cllr Hughes presented the minutes (forming the report) of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 18 February 2021 which were received, and the resolutions and recommendations duly considered.

**RESOLVED that the report be approved, and the resolutions of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021 be agreed.**

**626.20** [Committee report](#): To receive the report of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021.

Cllr Levell presented the minutes (forming the report) of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 which were received, and the resolutions and recommendations duly considered.

**RESOLVED that the report be approved, and the resolutions of the Finance and Policy Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 be agreed.**

**627.20** [Committee report](#): To receive the report of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Cllr Howell presented the minutes (forming the report) of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021 which were received, and the resolutions and recommendations duly considered.

**RESOLVED that the report be approved, and the resolutions of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021 be agreed.**

**628.20** **District Councillors Report**

Cllr Greenwood-Smith was in attendance and expressed his sadness at this being his last meeting. He thanked the Council for its worked and wished everyone all the best for the future.

## 629.20 County Councillors Report

It was noted that 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021 saw the last Northamptonshire County Council Meeting of the Council and that work on the shadow authorities continues to progress. The new North Northamptonshire shadow authority had recently met to set its budget and had agreed to retain localism in relation to planning matters by forming four distinct planning committees. Work on putting the infrastructure and interim appointments in place continues.

## 630.20 Unitary Report: To note matters relating to local government reform in Northamptonshire.

Report Noted as above.

## 631.20 Mayor's Report: To receive the Mayors report.

The Mayor updated members on her International Women's Day event which was well attended, had an excellent line up of speakers and raised £830. The Mayor recorded her thanks to all involved in making the event such a success.

## 632.20 Payment Lists: To receive the payment lists.

04/03/2021

### Raunds Town Council

15:50

Cashbook transactions totalling £0.00 or more  
for the period 01/01/2021 to 31/01/2021

#### Payments

<u>Cb No</u>	<u>Bank Account Name</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payment Ref</u>	<u>Payee Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	85.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	1,183.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	160.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	107.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	167.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	91.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	82.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	01/01/2021	DD	ENC	170.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	Pegasus Event Supplies	2,442.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	County Life Ltd	72.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	S Jones Containers Ltd	74.40
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	Bluefish Office Products	111.96
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	D J Hutching & Sons Ltd	150,000.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	Peter Haddon and Partners	5,400.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021	TRANS	Staff Expenses	17.55
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	08/01/2021	TRANS	Staff Expenses	46.40
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	08/01/2021	TRANS	Scorpion Security	839.92
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	08/01/2021	TRANS	Mr S Miah	500.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	08/01/2021	TRANS	HMRC	1,647.52
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	11/01/2021	DD	Southern Electric	161.33
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	15/01/2021	DD	Go Cardless	275.61
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	15/01/2021	TRANS	SLCC Enterprises Ltd	404.40

1	Unity Trust A/C	10	15/01/2021	TRANS	Nick Rawlings	1,512.70
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	15/01/2021	TRANS	JPIMedia Publishing	450.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	15/01/2021	TRANS	BC of Wellingborough	7.50
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	18/01/2021	Bank Trans	Lloyds Card	603.73
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	19/01/2021	DD	World Pay	10.79
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	19/01/2021	DD	World Pay	10.77
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	19/01/2021	TRANS	Northamptonshire Pension Fund	2,374.50
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	21/01/2021	DD	World Pay	23.94
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	DD	Go Cardless	180.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	DD	Wireless Logic	42.60
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	DD	Southern Electric	78.30
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	Wilson Browne Solicitors	1,200.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	Voyant Design	396.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	Turney Landscapes	2,748.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	J H May Electrical	4,748.28
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	East Northamptonshire Council	1,762.62
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	East Northamptonshire Council	28.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	East Northamptonshire Council	28.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	D J Hutching & Sons Ltd	38,084.10
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	Bluefish Office Products	23.91
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	A J Pearson	765.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	22/01/2021	TRANS	A & R Print	54.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	25/01/2021	DD	Southern Electric	232.54
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	26/01/2021	TRANS	Teaching 4 Business	150.00
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	28/01/2021	TRANS	Salaries	7,891.68
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	28/01/2021	DD	Veolia	227.23
2	NatWest	10	29/01/2021	TRANS	Nat West	0.35
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	04/01/2021		252.95	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	04/01/2021		170.54	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	04/01/2021		170.54	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	05/01/2021		18.66	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	06/01/2021		315.26	
6	Lloyds Card	10	18/01/2021		603.73	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	19/01/2021		255.13	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	21/01/2021		351.64	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	21/01/2021		215.86	
1	Unity Trust A/C	10	28/01/2021		392.00	
2	NatWest	10	29/01/2021		1.39	

Members reviewed the payment lists as shown and following discussion it was...

**RESOLVED to note the payment lists.**

### 633.20 Grant Applications

Members reviewed the information from the East Northants First Responders.

**RESOLVED to award the East Northants First Responders with a grant of £1,000.**

Members reviewed the information from the Raunds Fish Bar and it was...

**RESOLVED to award the Raunds Fish Bar with a grant of £500.**

**634.20 Coronavirus- action taken by Raunds Town Council:**

- a. To receive an update on actions being taken by Raunds Town Council in the light of Coronavirus
- b. To receive and approve amended guidelines for virtual meetings.

**RESOLVED to defer to next meeting.**

**635.20 Windmill School:** To consider a request from Windmill School regarding access via Millfield.

Members reviewed the request to use the back entrance to the school field as another entrance for children to leave and enter the school from.

**RESOLVED to approve the request.**

**636.20 Silver Fields:** To consider correspondence from Tom Pursglove MP regarding adoption of open space within Silver Fields.

**RESOLVED to instruct the Clerk to respond stating that the development is not complete yet and therefore it is far too early to consider such an option and that the residents themselves could be encouraged to take over management of the area.**

**637.20 Nene Education Trust Inaugural Awards 2021:** To consider a request for sponsorship.

Members reviewed the request for RTC to sponsor the annual Staff Awards.

**RESOLVED to approve the request for £250 sponsorship.**

**638.20 Community Flyer:** To receive an update on the production of a community flyer.

The draft of the flyer had been circulated to all members and feedback was requested by Wednesday evening (10<sup>th</sup> March) at the latest.

**RESOLVED, subject to any changes members wish to make, to approve the draft flyer and authorise the Clerk to send it to print.**

**639.20 Saxon Hall:** To receive a report on the refurbishment of Saxon Hall.

Members received a brief update on works currently underway and had visited the site last week and were very pleased with how the building is progressing.

**RESOLVED to note the report.**

**640.20 Personnel Matters**

*The press and public will be excluded from the following agenda item due to the confidential nature of the business under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960*

**RESOLVED to exclude the public and press.**

a) To receive an update on all recruitment matters

The Chairman of Personnel informed Councillors that there was nothing to report.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 21:06

Approved: ..... (Town Mayor)

Meeting date: .....(Council)