

## BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Brandon Town Council Cemetery Meeting  
held on Monday 14th August 2023 at Brandon Cemetery, Church Road, Brandon at 7pm

**Present:** Cllr P Wittam (Chair), Cllr B Brabbs, Cllr G Brocklehurst, Cllr P Gorringe, Cllr J Hughes, Cllr H KostECKI, Cllr V Lukaniuk, Cllr T Nolan, Cllr D Palmer, Cllr J Savage, Cllr C Watts

**Also Present:** 3 members of the public

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed Cllr Paul Gorringe.

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** and approval of reason tendered.

Cllr P Etherington, Cllr P Ridgwell, Cllr N Siebert – apologies accepted.

**2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST** and additions to Members Register of Interests.

None.

**3 ACCOUNTS** to approve the payments for July 2023.

Cllr Palmer queried as to why Fengate Fasteners had cancelled their planter sponsorship. Mrs Prior explained that they were upset that their sponsorship signs had been removed from the planters prior to the Anglia in Bloom judging. Cllr Palmer asked who had removed them. Mrs Prior informed him that it had been a couple of Councillors.

**Proposer:** Cllr V Lukaniuk

**Seconder:** Cllr G Brocklehurst

Resolution Record No: **BTC/57/14/Aug/23**

**CARRIED:** By majority vote: 10 for, 1 abstention.

BRANDON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE PAYMENTS FOR JULY 2023.

Invoice Date	Invoice No	Supplier	Expense Type	Nett	VAT	Gross	Payment
16/06/2023	INV-2726	Hugofox Limited	Website Subscription	£29.99	£6.00	£35.99	Direct Debit
20/06/2023	M067 WD	BT	Phone OSH	£83.05	£16.61	£99.66	Direct Debit
21/06/2023	M043 I8	BT	Phone OSH	£37.86	£7.57	£45.43	Direct Debit
01/07/2023	10627	Cranberry Comms.	Microsoft 365	£119.95	£23.99	£143.94	Direct Debit
03/07/2023	755A-0016	E.ON	Electric Cemetery Yard	£20.46	£1.02	£21.48	Direct Debit
03/07/2023	A292-0023	E.ON	Electric Pillar 8 Market Hill	£36.58	£1.83	£38.41	Direct Debit
05/07/2023	6C32-0023	E.ON	Electric OSH	£236.76	£11.84	£248.60	Direct Debit
06/07/2023	5A54-0022	E.ON	Electric Pillar 9 Market Hill	£20.80	£1.04	£21.84	Direct Debit
06/07/2023	1C56-0021	E.ON	Electric Christmas Tree Pillar	£16.80	£0.84	£17.64	Direct Debit
06/07/2023	3E73-0023	E.ON	Electric BRPF Yard	£140.42	£7.02	£147.44	Direct Debit
02/07/2023	12224979	Wave - Anglian Water	Water Cemetery Yard	£59.32	£0.00	£59.32	Direct Debit
18/07/2023	2400748	Everflow Water	Water OSH	£25.43	£0.00	£25.43	Direct Debit
24/07/2023		Creative Pension Trust	Pensions - July	£636.72	£0.00	£636.72	Direct Debit
28/07/2023	1215028	West Suffolk Council	Trade Waste	£75.76	£0.00	£75.76	Direct Debit

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31/03/2022	2022	Brandon Bowling Club	Water Cemetery Yard	£55.10	£0.00	£55.10	BACS
31/03/2023	2023	Brandon Bowling Club	Water Cemetery Yard	£81.22	£0.00	£81.22	BACS
27/06/2023	104581	Thetford Garden Centre	Weedkiller	48.32	9.65	57.97	BACS
03/07/2023	44732	J & D Green	Window Cleaning OSH	£20.00	£0.00	£20.00	BACS
06/07/2023	4649	Didlington Nurseries	Plants for War Memorial	£43.00	£0.00	£43.00	BACS
06/07/2023	SINV01906344	Ian Smith Group Ltd	A4 Paper	£49.50	£9.90	£59.40	BACS
13/07/2023	K67909	Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd	Mower Blades, Strimmer Line	£230.36	£46.07	£276.43	BACS
08/08/2023	K69395	Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd	Mower Blades - Incorrect	-£183.65	-£36.73	-£220.38	BACS
20/07/2023	K68299	Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd	Rotary Mower/Tool Sharpener	£7.50	£1.50	£9.00	BACS
17/07/2023	SI-685	Brandon Electrical Sers.	Annual PAT Testing - Yard	£155.08	£31.02	£186.10	BACS
17/07/2023	SI-686	Brandon Electrical Sers.	Annual PAT Testing - OSH	£97.66	£19.53	£117.19	BACS
18/07/2023	27371	Amazon	Plant Fertiliser	£18.45	£0.00	£18.45	BACS
18/07/2023	27373	Amazon	Plant Fertiliser	£55.35	£0.00	£55.35	BACS
20/07/2023		Fengate Fasteners Ltd	Planter Sponsorship Cancelled	£389.14	£0.00	£389.14	BACS
31/07/2023	262811	Fengate Fasteners Ltd	Paint/Brushes	£89.01	£17.80	£106.81	BACS
28/07/2023	2335	Blazetech Fire	Annual Fire Ext. Service	£280.00	£56.00	£336.00	BACS
29/07/2023	60904	Chase Timber Products	Post Mix -	£9.36	£1.87	£11.23	BACS
31/07/2023		Mr G Cock	Reim. Postage, Water/Meet.	£43.05	£1.54	£44.59	BACS
31/07/2023	20230000731	Finevale Service Station	Fuel	£101.02	£20.20	£121.22	BACS
31/07/2023		F.A.S.T.	First Aid - Coronation Event	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	BACS
05/08/2023		HMRC	NICS	£2,375.74	£0.00	£2,375.74	BACS

#### 4 ISSUES RAISED DURING THE TOUR OF THE BRANDON CEMETERY

A member of the public was concerned about a rose bush in an area where the Cemetery Regulations state they shouldn't be and was concerned about the roots disturbing the memorial stones around them. The Head Town Keeper stated that the rose bush had been there for many years but it was probably more noticeable as the fence line had been moved. The Town Keepers will monitor the situation and act accordingly if required.

Cllr Brocklehurst asked for an update on the soil heap. The Head Town Keeper replied that they haven't been able to address it just yet. Cllr Brocklehurst also commented that the war memorial planting looked very nice.

The meeting moved onto the churchyard. Cllr Lukaniuk said that the Town Keepers had done a fantastic job of the cemetery and churchyard and they always looked excellent and extended his thanks to the Town Keepers.

Cllr Lukaniuk commented on what a good job the Town Keepers had made at the rear of the bungalow that backs onto the churchyard, where a resident had complained about the excessive growth impinging onto their property.

A resident asks how long it takes to cut the grass. Our Head Town Keeper explained roughly how long it took to cut each section of the cemetery.

#### 5 URGENT BUSINESS any items the Chairman considers a matter of urgent business

– to be submitted no less than 48hrs prior to the meeting or by discussion with the Chairman.

None.

Cllr Lukaniuk thanked Mrs Prior for doing such a brilliant job.

The meeting closed at 7.36pm

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