

**Present:** Cllr Catlett – Chair, Liles (WL) Miller (RM) Cottrell (SC) Vipond (AV) Ledger (JL)

Parish Clerk Helen Key (HK)

### **Public Session**

0 members of the public present

### **Minutes of the Council Meeting**

**1. To receive and accept apologies where valid reasons for absence have been given to the Clerk prior to the meeting.**

Apologies were received from Councillor Greetham

It was proposed by SC, seconded by RM, and agreed unanimously to accept these apologies.

**2. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or other registerable interests in agenda items not previously recorded on members' Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Registerable Interests' declaration.**

None declared.

**3. To resolve to exclude the public and media to discuss confidential business which with public discussion would be prejudicial in accordance with Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s12A.**

It was proposed by AC, seconded by AV, and agreed unanimously to exclude the public and media.

**4. To consider, and possibly revise, ongoing option for providing funding to Billinghay and District swimming pool.**

The chair explained that this meeting had been called to review the ongoing proposed arrangements for provision of funding for the Billinghay swimming pool, which involved a bid for S106 funding. S106 funding has to be approved by North Kesteven District Council and must meet strict criteria. Following recent communications, it was considered that there was significant risk that the swimming

pool may not meet these criteria or the timescales by which the funding would be required.

The council is also working on the provision of new play equipment, which involves the use of S106 funding, CIL funding and money set aside in council reserves. Planning permission is required for an element of the play equipment and this has led to a review on which equipment will be available once planning costs are taken into consideration. Given the importance of the swimming pool to the community, a reallocation of funding sources between the play equipment and provision of a grant to the pool were considered. The council also needed to consider regulations under which the council would have authority to provide a grant for the swimming pool. Due diligence had to be applied as to the viability of the pool following the issue of any grant by the council.

It was proposed by AC that the £20,000 in reserves for play equipment be used to provide a grant for the swimming pool. This grant is to be used for the repairs and dosing machine. The S106 proposal for the swimming pool would be withdrawn and the S106 funding be used for provision of play equipment. CIL funding would need to be used to fund the planning costs for the play equipment. This would be in-line with a review of the play equipment after planning costs were taken into account. The proposal was seconded by RM and agreed to unanimously.

Meeting Closed at 7.43pm

Signed by







