



ALDEBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

MOOT HALL, MARKET CROSS PLACE
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Minutes of the **Services Committee** meeting held on **Monday 23rd October 2023** at

7.16pm in the **Moot Hall**

1. Present:

Cllr Fellowes (Chair), Cllr Lumpkin, Cllr Howard-Dobson, Cllr Langley, Cllr Webster, Cllr Haworth-Culf

Apologies:

None

In Attendance:

Town Clerk, Cllr Jones, Cllr Fox, Cllr Bond, Cllr Haworth. There were no members of the public present.

2. Approval of previous Minutes

The draft minutes of the Services Committee meeting held on Monday 25th September 2023 were approved unanimously by a show of hands and signed and dated by the Chair.

3. Matters for Discussion

3.1. SCC

Nothing to report.

3.2. East Suffolk Council

Nothing to report.

3.3. Police Matters

Nothing to report.

3.4. NSIP Large Infrastructure Group

LionLink

Cllr Fellowes had provided a draft response to the LionLink non-statutory consultation for fellow Councillors to consider. Feedback to be provided by Monday 30th October to the TC so that a response from the council could be submitted.

Cllr Haworth and Cllr Haworth-Culf declared an interest as their properties are directly impacted by the LionLink proposed works.

SeaLink

Cllr Fellowes reported that this matter was urgent with the statutory consultation beginning 24th October through to 18th December. This is the first time that we will be told the site of the single option for landfall.

Cllr Fellowes reported that all residents will receive a Community Newsletter. There are dates and times provided in the Community Newsletter for public information exhibitions, webinars, “ask the experts” sessions and Deposit points.

Cllr Fellowes reported that if there is no substation at Friston, then there will be no landfall in Suffolk, however, if SeaLink get consent as proposed there could be two other projects that will be co-located in addition into the same landfall area.

Cllr Fellowes reported that access to the landfall will be between the Scallop and Thorpeness.

TC to work with Cllr Fellowes to develop a communication to go out to all Aldeburgh residents which explains the difference between LionLink and SeaLink. In addition, an update needs to go on social media, in EADT, in Aldeburgh Times/Aldeburgh Gazette and 2 banners to be created making Aldeburgh residents aware of the SeaLink proposals. Cllr Fellowes to investigate arrangements for a public meeting in December with East Suffolk Council present.

TC to establish costs for postage, printing and banner production.

Cllr Fellowes will email around the draft letter along with the quote to all Councillors so that this can be progressed due to the timeframe.

Cllr Fellowes reported that an impact assessment on tourism had previously been completed as part of Sizewell C.

Cllr Fellowes would like the council to work alongside Aldeburgh Society, Aldeburgh Golf Club, Aldeburgh Yacht Club and other local organisations who can share ATC prepared communications with their members directly.

Sizewell C

Cllr Fellowes reported that the Judicial Review hearing had appeared to have been expedited and TASC has received its court date (1st and 2nd November).

Cllr Fellowes reminded everyone of the Deed of Obligation meeting to be held on 9th November in the Church Hall.

TC to update website and notice boards to make residents and those using local roads aware of potential delays if using the 2 main roads to/from Aldeburgh to the A12 south and north.

Cllr Fellowes provided details of a tracker provided by EDF:
<https://www.szeworkstracker.co.uk/track-a-project/?view=map>

4. Committee Finance Business

Cllr Fellowes updated the committee in relation to the grant that is available through East Suffolk Council – High Street Improvement Grant with an

application deadline of 27th October 2023. If successful ATC will be able to make use of the funds to:

- Install a new Town Board at Fort Green
- 2 x new large Town signs
- Replacing bollards that are either damaged or missing
- Replacement of 2 x ½ gates that are missing
- Getting the ironworks around the town painted

The project is valued at approximately £20,000 made up of:

- £15,000 - grant from ESC
- £5,000 - combination of money from Suffolk County Council via TJ and the "value" apportioned to volunteers time

Cllr Fellowes reported that highways were happy with the proposed replacements but that she would need to speak with them about the ½ gates.

Cllr Fellowes reported that as part of the grant application process it had been established that the Council needed to adopt policies in relation to Safeguarding, Equality and Diversity (including volunteers) and DBS. TC to liaise with SALC to request model templates.

5. New Services Business

Cllr Fellowes focussed on spending the time available to update Councillors on the energy project and the Grant Application, both of which were urgent.

The Services Committee meeting ended at 8.36pm

**Councillor Fellowes
Chair**