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Dear Mr Barnes

PETITION - SCUNTHORPE MARKET

I refer to the above petition which was considered at the meeting of the council on 14 December 2017. I wish to convey my thanks to you for your attendance and for addressing all councillors at the meeting.

I can now enclose the formal minute extract of the meeting referring to this issue and the council's decision.

In accordance with the council's Constitution Procedure Rules a copy of the minutes of the meeting and this letter will be published on the council's website.

May I thank you once again for your time, and if you require any further assistance in this matter please do not hesitate to contact Richard Mell on the above contact details.

Yours sincerely


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Director : Governance and Partnerships

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Mr Barnes

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

14 December 2017

MINUTE EXTRACT

2543 **SCUNTHORPE MARKET PETITION** In accordance with Procedure Rule 1.35(d) a petition containing 19,795 signatures was considered by the council.

Mr S Barnes as lead petitioner presented the above petition which opposed the council moving traders outside from currently being undercover on the Scunthorpe Market site for various reasons disclosed, putting the market in two separate locations and sought to persuade the council to keep the market together under cover where it is.

Following the presentation of the petition members of the council debated the issues contained within it. Following the debate it was –

Moved by Councillor R Hannigan and seconded by Councillor N Poole –

‘That the council recommends to the Cabinet Member for Place Shaping – (a) That the petitioners be thanked for their presentation of the petition; (b) that those shoppers, local residents and businesses who responded to the petition and recent consultation be thanked for their valuable contributions; (c) that the commitment given in this debate by the Cabinet Member for Place Shaping that there will be a new indoor market in Scunthorpe of a similar size to the existing market be welcomed and supported, and (d) that the Cabinet Member for Place Shaping, as the relevant executive decision maker, carefully consider the points raised in this debate before taking any further decisions on the matter.’

It was then moved by Councillor L Foster and seconded by Councillor A Davison as an amendment –

‘That the council recommends to the Cabinet Member for Place Shaping – (a) That the 20,000 petitioners be thanked for giving the council their views as is their democratic right and the clear view of the people of Scunthorpe and North Lincolnshire be accepted, as well as the many people who visit from out of town, and that the Leader of the Council admit he got it wrong, and (b) that given the disappointing letter sent to market traders at the eleventh hour, that commitment be given to retain the Scunthorpe Market and to guarantee that the indoor market will remain in its current location, and not be relocated without full agreement of the market traders and after full consultation with the people of Scunthorpe and North Lincolnshire.’

At the request of members and in accordance with Procedure Rule 1.22 (d) the names of members voting for, against and abstaining from the amendment are as follows –

FOR: *Councillors Ali, Armitage, Bainbridge, Collinson, A Davison, Ellerby, L Foster, Godfrey, Gosling, Grant, Kataria, Kirk, Oldfield, O’Sullivan, Swift and Wilson.*

AGAINST: *Councillors Allcock, Armiger, Briggs, Clark, J Davison, England, T Foster, Glover, Hannigan, Longcake, Mumby-Croft, Ogg, Poole, Baroness Mrs Redfern, Robinson, Rose, Rowson, C Sherwood, N Sherwood, K Vickers, P Vickers Waltham MBE and Wells.*

ABSTAINING: *Nil*

Amendment Lost.

At the request of members and in accordance with Procedure Rule 1.22(d) the names of members voting for, against and abstaining from the motion are as follows –

FOR: *Councillors Allcock, Armiger, Briggs, Clark, J Davison, England, T Foster, Glover, Hannigan, Longcake, Mumby-Croft, Ogg, Poole, Baroness Mrs Redfern, Robinson, Rose, Rowson, C Sherwood, N Sherwood, K Vickers, P Vickers Waltham MBE and Wells*

AGAINST: *Councillors Ali, Armitage, Bainbridge, Collinson, A Davison, Ellerby, L Foster, Godfrey, Gosling, Grant, Kataria, Kirk, Oldfield, O’Sullivan, Swift and Wilson.*

ABSTAINING: *Nil*

Motion Carried.