

Howden Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Howden Town Council held Tuesday April 17th 2023 at 7pm at the Town Council Offices, Bridgegate, Howden.

Present: Councillors Roberts (Chair), Perkins, Brett, Ashton, Hart, Blee, Ward, Howard, Pears, Casey

In Attendance: Member of the Press, Two Members of Ashes Playing Field Association, Councillor C Bayram, L Smith

Clerk: S Boggitt

2023-62-FC: Apologies for absence – to receive and accept.

Apologies received from Councillor Drury – accepted. Non-attendance – Councillor Smythson.

2023-63-FC: Declaration of Interest -

2023-63.1-FC Declarations of Interests, in respect to Agenda items, to be made and recorded in the minutes even if an interest has been declared in the register.

None.

2023-63.2-FC For the Council to note any dispensations presented to the Clerk prior to the meeting and their resolution.

None.

2023-64-FC: Minutes of the Town Council meeting held Tuesday March 21st 2023 – to agree and approve as a true record.

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held Tuesday March 21st 2023 were agreed and approved as a true record.

2023-65-FC: Minutes of the Howden Joint Burial Committee Meeting held – to receive and approve any recommendations.

The minutes were not available and will be received at the next meeting.

2023-66-FC: Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held Tuesday April 4th 2023 – to receive and approve any recommendations.

The minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held Tuesday April 4th were received and approved.

2023-67-FC: Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held Tuesday April 4th 2023 – to receive and approve any recommendations.

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held Tuesday April 4th 2023 were received.

2023-68-FC: Project Loo. To receive an update from the Chair and agree any actions.



The Chair reported works are progressing well after an initial week of weather and groundwork issues. There had been a problem connecting to the main sewer as it was blocked but this has now been rectified.

2023-69-FC: Ashes Committee. To receive the latest minutes and receive report from the Chair.

New Chair of the Ashes Playing Fields Committee, Liz Brant, reported to Council they had held their AGM the evening before and elected new members. There have been some problems on the Ashes Committee and several members resigning, but she was in talks with the Charity Commission who are helping with the process moving forwards. It was agreed by Council to not elect any more Town Representatives to the Committee until such time Council deemed the issues on the Committee have been resolved and this would be looked at in the future.

2023-70-FC: Election Update. To receive a report from the Clerk.

The Clerk reported that out of 13 seats there had been 11 confirmed nominees – meaning all nominees would be elected unopposed. There would be a need for co-option which will be agreed at the May meeting.

2023-71-FC: Boom Update. To receive a report from the Chair.

The Chair reported the statutory consultation dates had been released and would run from May 9th to June 20th. A online meeting date has been agreed for Councillors, with online webinars for members of the public organised and four in-person events booked.

2023-72-FC: Finance March/April. To authorise the invoices and monthly schedules for payment; to receive a copy of the bank transactions and reconciled bank statements (including Co-Operative Bank and NS&I) since the last meeting and a copy of RIALTAS reports to receive and accept.

A copy of the March and April monthly schedules, with voucher numbers for each invoice received and the date they had cleared the bank were presented, alongside bank reconciliations up to the middle of March. Approved. Council approved the payments of £9496.47 for March (since the last meeting) and £4222.22 for April to be made. Approved.

2023-73-FC: Monthly Checklist. To receive the Clerk's monthly checklist.

Received.

2023-74-FC: Annual Town Meeting. To confirm date and time of the 2023 meeting.

Council agreed the date of Tuesday May 16th – times tbc.

2023-75-FC: Items for next agenda.

Standing items, Co-option.

2023-76-FC: Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday May 16th 2023 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 7.28pm.