



Howden Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Howden Town Council held Tuesday July 15th 2025 at 7pm at the Town Council Offices, Bridgegate, Howden.

Present: Councillors Roberts (Chair), Hart, Drury, Pears, Ward, Young, Howard, Coutts, Blee, Long, Clarke. Cave

In Attendance: Town and Tourism Marketing Officer, Member of the Public.

Clerk: S Boggitt

2025-128-FC: Apologies for absence – to receive and accept.

Apologies were received from Councillor McLellan – approved.

2025-129-FC: Declaration of Interest -

2026-110.1-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.

2026-110.2-FC For the Council to note any dispensations presented to the Clerk prior to the meeting and their resolution.

None.

2025-130-FC: Public Participation. To adjourn (for a maximum of 15 minutes) the meeting for members of the public to make representation over any item on the agenda. (NB any item not on the agenda will not be discussed but may be considered for a future meeting).

The member of the public was here to speak specifically about agenda item 2025-137-FC and therefore was asked to speak then.

2025-131-FC: Minutes of the Town Council meeting held Tuesday June 17th 2025 – to agree and approve as a true record.

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held Tuesday June 17th 2025 were received and were agreed and approved as a true record.

2025-132-FC: Minutes of the Resource and Asset Management Committee Meeting held Tuesday July 8th 2025 – to receive and approve any recommendations.

The minutes of the Resource and Asset Management Committee meeting held Tuesday July 8th 2025 were received. Council approved the adopt the recommended Health and Safety Policy.

2025-133-FC: Derwent Play Park. To receive quote from agreed required works and agree any actions.

Quotes were presented to remove all the damaged equipment from the playpark, make the ground safe and fix the gates. The quote of £1,765.75 from Komplan was accepted and flagged as a Health and Safety issue.





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2025-134-FC: Community Speedwatch. To receive report from the Clerk about sign up to Humberside Police Community Speedwatch and agree any actions.

The Clerk presented a report on the Community Speedwatch scheme offered via Humberside Police, with the agreed sites shared. Council agreed to sign up to the scheme with Councillor Roberts as the initial co-ordinator. The Clerk to advertise this widely to get volunteers to sign up with training to be undertaken when there is a good amount of people signed up to it.

2025-135-FC: Hailgate Traffic Petition. To receive update from the Clerk and agree any actions.

The Clerk presented a petition of more than 900 signatures that had been handed to her to pass onto East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Council had already agreed to support residents in their petition for a zebra crossing/traffic calming measure near to the Infant and Junior Schools, therefore it was agreed the Clerk to action this and forward the petition on with a supporting letter.

2025-136-FC: How-G and Relief Road Update. To receive report from the Chair/Clerk and agree any actions.

A document was shared from East Riding of Yorkshire Council confirming the tender process had been completed and works were now starting on the Howden Relief Road.

2025-137-FC: Save Goole Hospital. To receive update from the Chair and agree any actions.

Council welcomed a representative from Save Goole Hospital to hear the latest update from their side. Council confirmed a letter had been sent via David Howard to object to the closure stating all the reasons discussed in the meeting. Once further, newer information had been verified another letter will be sent. The Clerk to write this and send out to Councillors to agree.

2025-138-FC: Tourism and Marketing Officer Report. To receive report and agree any actions.

A report was presented confirming the Visit Howden postcards had now arrived and had been distributed around the town with very positive feedback. The Howden Bear Hunt would take place around the town during the summer holidays, with a free showing of the film Paddington at the Shire Hall, funded by HTC. Agreed to take down the bunting the first week of September. Road closure application to be filed for Remembrance Sunday and an Expression of Interest had been completed for a grant to make a Howden historical film.

2025-139-FC: Ashes Committee. To receive the latest minutes and agree any actions, and to receive update from the Clerk on disability swing proposal.

The Clerk reported that the Town Centre Officer was helping the Ashes Playing Field Trust with their grant application for the wheelchair swing and further updates will be shared at the next meeting. The minutes were received with comments made again that they are not informative enough. Councillor Young to feed this back to the APFT.

2025-140-FC: Finance June/July. To authorise the invoices and monthly schedules for payment; to receive a copy of the bank transactions and reconciled bank statements since the last meeting and a copy of finance package reports to receive and accept.

A copy of the June (since the last meeting) and July monthly schedules with voucher numbers for each invoice received, alongside bank reconciliations (Co-Op) up to June 27th 2025, (CCLA) up to June 30th 2025 and (Hinckley and Rugby) up to July 15th 2025 were received.





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The bank reconciliations were agreed and signed by the Chair and Council approved the payments of £1674.18 for June and £2894.79 for July to be made.

2025-141-FC: Ward Councillor. To receive report from Ward Councillor David Howard and agree any items for next agenda.

Councillor Howard reported road signs would soon be in place at Knedlington Crossroads. The sign that has been erected in the Market Place for Vicar Lane was temporary and a more suitable one would be put in its place. The Young People's Bus was back in Howden on Monday evenings through the summer holidays. A full list of dates and activities to be shared. The Youth Engagement Programme results were shared with 650 responses back. This will form part of the decision making process moving forward about youth provision in the town.

2025-142-FC: Correspondence.

It was noted a monument on Churchside had been moved from its base. The Clerk to arrange this to be fixed.

2025-143-FC: Items for next agenda.

Community Speedwatch, Goole Hospital.

2025-144-FC: Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday August 12th 2025 at 7pm. (Please note this is the second week of the month as per the agreed meeting schedule for 2025/2026)

The meeting closed at 8.21pm.