



Howden Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of Howden Town Council held Tuesday August 12th 2025 at 7pm at the Town Council Offices, Bridgegate, Howden.

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

In Attendance: Member of the Press, Two representatives from Humberside Police, L Smith (Town and Tourism Officer)

Clerk: S Boggitt

2025-145-FC: Apologies for absence – to receive and accept.

There were no apologies received.

2025-146-FC: Declaration of Interest –

2026-146.1-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.

2026-146.2-FC For the Council to note any dispensations presented to the Clerk prior to the meeting and their resolution.

None.

2025-147-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).

No public participation requested.

2025-148-FC: Minutes of the Town Council meeting held Tuesday July 15th 2025 – to agree and approve as a true record.

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held Tuesday July 15th 2025 were received and agreed and approved as a true record.

2025-149-FC: Minutes of the HJBC Committee Meeting held Wednesday July 16th 2025 – to receive and approve any recommendations.

The minutes of the Howden Joint Burial Committee meeting held Wednesday July 16th 2025 were received with no recommendations.

2025-150-FC: Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held Tuesday August 5th 2025 – to receive and approve any recommendations.

The minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held Tuesday August 5th 2025 were received. Council approved the recommendation from Committee to request a one year extension to the OFS lease at a cost of £500 per annum and to request no legal costs as this is just an extension to the existing lease.

2025-151-FC: Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held Tuesday August 5th 2025 – to receive and approve any recommendations.



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The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held Tuesday August 5th 2025 were received with no recommendations for Council.

2025-152-FC: Community Speedwatch. To receive update from the Clerk and agree any actions.

The Clerk reported the Community Speedwatch has been set up, with Councillor Roberts as the admin for the group. A suitable training date for all those signed up will be arranged through the Police co-ordinator. Only one site that had been identified was rejected due to sight lines.

2025-153-FC: Changing Place. To receive update from the Clerk about the temporary closure of the facility.

The Clerk reported that after the alleged vandalism and the two week closure of the facility, the repairs had been undertaken and the building was accessible for use again.

2025-154-FC: Hailgate Traffic Petition. To receive update from the Clerk and agree any actions.

The Clerk reported East Riding of Yorkshire Council had acknowledged receipt of the resident's petition and with the support of the Town Council would be looking at site visits once the schools have returned in September.

2025-155-FC: CCTV. To receive update from the Clerk and agree any actions.

The Clerk reported she had undertaken site visits with the CCTV contractors and within the next month the CCTV should be live.

2025-156-FC: Save Goole Hospital. To receive update from the Clerk and agree any actions.

The Clerk reported an updated letter had been sent to relevant agencies/officers regarding the Council's stance on the reported closure/reduction of services at Goole Hospital.

2025-157-FC: Tourism and Marketing Officer Report. To receive report and agree any actions.

It was agreed that the town bunting would be taken down on September 1st at 6pm. Papers for Remembrance Day road closure had been submitted with confirmation regarding the parking suspension awaited. Agreed to facilitate a cinema and lunch at the Shire Hall during the winter months with a film aimed at the more elderly residents of the town, after targeting younger people and families to the previous showings. It was noted an application for a DIFEY to produce a history film for Howden was to be applied for and plans were in place for a Dark History Tour of Howden next year (this would be no cost to Council).

2025-158-FC: Ashes Committee. To receive the latest minutes and agree any actions, and to receive update from the Clerk on disability swing proposal.

Council agreed to contact the APFT in regard to their minutes and the lack of available information. This is to protect the interests of the Town and Town Council representatives who are Trustees of the Trust and therefore have legal and financial liability. There has been no more movement on the disability swing as awaiting a quote.

2025-159-FC: Finance July/August. 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.



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A copy of the July (since the last meeting) and August monthly schedules with voucher numbers for each invoice received, alongside bank reconciliations (Co-Op) up to July 15th 2025 and (CCLA) up to June 30th 2025 received. The bank reconciliations were agreed and signed by the Chair and Council approved the payments of £16916.79 for July and £8791.33 for August to be made.

2025-160-FC: Ward Councillor. To receive report from Ward Councillor David Howard and agree any items for next agenda.

- 1) Councillor Howard reported that after alleged reports on social the Goole/Howden Hopper was due to stop that he had spoken to the Goole Town Deal and they assure there are no plans to stop this service, with funding in place until 2026.
- 2) The Youth Bus and Youth Worker were still coming to Howden for the remaining weeks of the summer holidays.
- 3) There had been offers of six portakabins to facilitate a youth/community hub. Before plans can be advanced there still needs to be confirmation the land can have a change of use and a large scale community consultation would need to be undertaken.

2025-161-FC: Correspondence.

None.

2025-162-FC: Items for next agenda.

Standing Items.

2025-163-FC: Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday September 16th 2025 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.