



## Howden Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Resources and Asset Management Committee held on Tuesday January 13<sup>th</sup> 2026 at 7.15pm at the Howden Town Council Offices, Bridgegate, Howden.

Present: Councillors Blee (Chair), Drury, Clarke, Long, Pears, Ward, Young

In-Attendance: L Smith (Town and Tourism Officer), 2 Members of the Public

Clerk: S Boggitt

### **2026-01-RAM: Apologies for absence – to receive and accept.**

Apologies were received from Councillors Roberts and Cave – accepted.

### **2026-02-RAM: Declaration of Interest –**

2026-02.1-RAM 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.

Councillor Pears declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2026-04-RAM regarding the Howden Pre-School grant application (was not part of the discussion. Councillor Ward declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2026-04-RAM regarding the Ashes Playing Field Trust grant application (was not part of the discussion)

2026-02.2-RAM For the Council to note any dispensations presented to the Clerk prior to the meeting and their resolution.

None.

### **2026-03-RAM: Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup> 2025– to agree and approve as a true record.**

The minutes of the meeting held Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup> 2025 were received and agreed and approved as a true record.

### **2026-04-RAM: Finance Review 2025/2026 and Budget Plan 2026/2027 (to include Budget Plan and Grant Applications) – to agree and recommend to Full Council.**

Using the budget setting document presented by the Clerk it was agreed to recommend a Council expenditure of initially £208,855.70 for the running of Council 2026/2027. This is the amount worked out by the Clerk/RFO before grants were discussed. Following discussion of grant applications Committee recommended payments of grants totalling £85,953. (See Below)

The following grant applications were received and the following amounts agreed to recommend to Council:

HomeStart: £3894 requested to continue family outreach programmes in 2026/2027 – agreed to recommend the full amount of £3894.



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Howden Live; £2569 requested for contribution to Month of Sundays and 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations and contribution to new sound system at the Shire Hall – agreed to recommend the full amount of £2569.

Howden Show: £2470 requested for contribution to the Community Tent and shuttle bus for the event – agreed to recommend the full amount of £2470.

Howden Vintage Day: £2,000 requested towards the 2026 event – agreed to recommend the full amount of £2000.

SHAKE: £3,000 requested towards the 2026 Picnic in the Park event – agreed to recommend the full amount of £3,000.

Howden Scouts: £20043.13 requested towards the purchase of new minibus – agreed to recommend a grant of £10,000 to be given once the remaining funds have been raised.

Howden Pre-School: £30,000 requested towards purchase of land – agreed to recommend a grant of £10,000 to be given once the remaining funds have been raised.

Howden Shire Hall: £39,540 requested to replace 12 windows – agreed to recommend a grant of half the amount at £19,770 to be given once the remaining funds have been raised.

Ashes Playing Field Trust: £40,500 requested towards grass cutting, waste management, hedge and shrub maintenance, leaf clearing, path repairs, tree maintenance and new signage – agreed to recommend to grant of £32,550 to cover grass cutting and waste management.

A proposed budget of £294,808.70 was agreed with predicted income of £7,936 resulting in a recommended precept of £286,872.70. This equates to £132.61 per year on a Band D property. This is an increase of £4.39 per year per Band D property.

### **2026-05-RAM: Precept 2026/2027. To agree and recommend to Full Council.**

Agreed to recommend to Council a precept of £286,872.70.

### **2026-06-RAM: Risk Management Scheme. To review the Risk Management Scheme and make any recommendations to Council.**

The Risk Management Scheme was reviewed with no recommendations and recommended to Full Council for approval.

### **2026-07-RAM: Action Plan. To review, make changes and accept the Howden Town Council Action Plan.**

The Action Plan was reviewed and accepted.

### **2026-08-RAM: Asset Register. To review and accept.**

The Asset Register was reviewed and accepted – noting some Derwent Playpark equipment needed to be taken off after reviewing at Amenities.



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### **2026-09-RAM: Office Lease. To review updated downstairs office lease and make recommendations to Full Council.**

Committee reviewed the reviewed and updated downstairs office lease and agreed to recommend to Full Council an agreement of £2,000 per year for a three year term with a £50 per annum increase.

### **2026-10-RAM: Correspondence.**

None.

### **2026-11-RAM: Items for Next Agenda.**

Standing Items.

### **2026-12-RAM: Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday March 10th 2026 at 7.15pm.**

The meeting closed at 8.28pm.