

Hedon Town Council
Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of
The Property Committee of the Hedon Town Council
Held in the Town Hall, St Augustine's Gate, Hedon
12 May 2022

Present: Cllr Billany in the Chair
Cllrs: Mrs S Banks, J Brindley, J Dennis, S Gallant, Mrs B Goldspink,
Miss S Rommell, Miss D Storr and D Thompson
Clerk: J Macklin, Town Clerk

1. Apologies for Absence
Apologies were received from Cllrs: N Black (illness), B Hanson (family commitment), B Stockdale (access difficulties)
Resolved: that apologies were accepted
2. Confirmation of the Minutes
The Minutes of the meeting of the Property Committee of the Hedon Town Council held on 14 April 2022 were agreed as being a correct record of the proceedings.
Resolved: That the minutes were confirmed as a true record
3. Updates on the Minutes
None
4. Declaration of Interests
 - 4.1 It was agreed that any declaration of interest be dealt with at the time the relevant item was discussed.
 - 4.2 There were no dispensations to be noted.
5. Maintenance of Town Hall - update
The Chairman noted that the repair work on the ceiling was well underway with the decorating work due to start on 23 May; the scaffolding should be removed by the end of May.

Reserved: Noted
6. Market Place parking system – to consider suggested improvement from ERYC re installation of cycle racks
The Chairman updated Members on the outcome of a meeting between ERYC Officer, an ERYC Councillor and the Town Clerk following notification that ERYC would not be putting double yellow lines at the north end of the Market Place. A solution to the parking problem at that end of the area had been suggested which included the provision of a combined planter and cycle rack. Members were disappointed that the Traffic Regulation Order they thought had been processed had, in fact, not happened, however they supported the suggestion as a sensible way forward.

Resolved: that the Council supported, in principle, the installation of a planter/cycle rack at the north end of the Market Place and would hope that this would be funded by ERYC

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7. To consider improvements to fencing/gate at the allotment site

Cllr Storr outlined her concerns that the fencing/gates which had been put up by tenants over the years at the allotment site, were in poor repair; she felt that the Council should investigate the costs of erecting a suitable fence/gate. After discussion Members felt that quotes should be sourced for the work and then discussed in more detail once the costs were known.

Resolved: that quotes should be obtained for fencing/gate for the allotment site

8. To discuss responsibilities of the Town Council with regard to the toilet block and to consider expenditure in respect of upgrading the toilets eg replacement hand drier in Ladies toilets

Cllr Banks declared an interest as she was the Secretary/Treasurer of the Alexandra Hall Management Committee, she left the room; Cllr Goldspink declared an interest as she was the Town Council representative on the Alexandra Hall Management Committee – there was therefore no requirement for her to leave the room.

The Chairman noted the lease and separate agreement with regard to costs in respect of the toilets which had been previously circulated. Members agreed that maintenance was required in the both sets of toilets, hand driers were broken and redecoration was required. It was felt that the agreement setting out responsibilities for the shared costs of the toilets seemed quite clear but what constituted running repairs/maintenance was disputed. It was felt that a meeting between representatives of the Council and the Management Committee would be the best way to move this forward; with a recommendation from that meeting being brought back to the Committee.

Resolved: that Cllrs Billany, Goldspink and Thompson would meet with representatives from the Alexandra Hall Management Committee in order to clarify the 'Shared Facilities' agreement

9. Correspondence

None

10. Members' points of information and items for the agenda

10.1 Cllr Brindley reported that the Amy Black Community Centre had received a grant for solar panels and intended to instal eco-friendly LED lighting in the building; as landlord, the Council would need to give permission and this item would be on the next agenda.

10.2 Cllr Thompson asked when the next Amenity Areas WG would be held; this would not take place until after the Jubilee weekend.

10.3 The Chairman updated Members on a meeting with representatives from the Sustainable Travel Schemes team with regard to cycle hubs around the county. These generally made use of old telephone boxes (usually BT) which posed a problem as Hedon was within KCom area. Council was interested in finding out more and this item would be on the next agenda.

10.4 Members noted that an allotment holder had found an ancient gaming chip on his plot, which he had reported to the relevant authority, and given to Hedon Museum for display.