

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
14 July 2022

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

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs: N Black (illness), B Stockdale (access difficulties), S Banks (prior engagement)

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 9 June 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**

Min 15 Repair of benches Cllr Billany would continue to try to contact the volunteer.

Min 8 The repair work to the Town Hall ceiling and decoration was now complete, the kitchen wall would require six months to dry out then the decorators will return. Cllr Dennis would share a plan for re-hanging the items on the walls.

Feb A letter was sent to Mr Bamford to arrange a meeting of the Hedon Preservation Trust.

Mar Revaluation of Town Hall building update - three companies suggested by the Conservation Officer had been contacted and quotes were awaited.

4. **Declaration of Interests**

6.1 It was agreed that any declaration of interest be dealt with at the time the relevant item was discussed.

6.2 There were no dispensations to be noted.

5. **Scout Hut Lease - update**

Cllr Brindley and Cllr Rommel declared personal interests as they were on the Amy Black Community Centre Management Committee who were neighbours to the Scout Hut

Resolved: that the lease would be put before the Council for approval and authorisation once it has been returned by the Scouts

6. **Alexandra Hall Toilets - update**

Cllr Goldspink declared a personal interest as she was the Town Council representative on the Alexandra Hall Management Committee; however, she took no part in the discussion or vote

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The Chairman gave a report of the meeting with the Alexandra Hall Management Committee and noted that there was some ambiguity in the agreements that required clarification.

Resolved: that the Town Council would make an offer to install new hand drying solutions on a 50/50 basis with Alexandra Hall; this would be on a one-off basis to resolve the immediate issue

Resolved: that the working group, including Cllr Dennis, would negotiate an agreement with Alexandra Hall to put together a draft document for discussion

7. To consider request to cut back tree at Farbridge Lane

Cllr Goldspink declared a personal interest in this item as she knew the resident well.

The Chairman noted that the Town Council's Tree Consultant had responded to the complaint stating that the tree would need work in approximately 18 months; he pointed out that the amount of Ash die back it presently had did not warrant felling of the tree; he suggested that the work be included in a future budget.

Resolved: that a letter was sent to the complainant outlining the tree consultant's findings

8. To consider whether work is required to ditches/dykes owned by Town Council

The Chairman noted that the Town Council's General Works Supervisor monitors the situation and reports back to the Town Clerk should any problems arise.

9. Heritage Open Days Update

9.1 To consider display items for Council Chamber cabinet

Councillors discussed items that they felt should be displayed and the Town Clerk was asked to make the necessary arrangements with the Mace Bearer. The Town Clerk was asked to arrange name plaques on paintings in the Council Chamber where they were missing.

Resolved: that the items agreed by Council would be included in the display

9.2 Rota for manning Town Hall during open times

The Mace Bearer would be on site (in civic regalia) with the ceremonial mace throughout the event, it was agreed that at least three Councillors should also be present

Resolved: that a rota of volunteers would be circulated to Councillors

9.3 To consider use of Market Hill car park for vintage agriculture display.

Members agreed that this would be a good use of the space for the event.

Resolved: that permission was granted for the use of Market Hill car park.

10. Report from Amenities Areas Working Group and agree way forward

Members agreed that the main areas owned by the Town Council had been reviewed.

Resolved: that the working group should be dissolved and any ideas for specific areas should be brought to the Property Committee as required

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11. Update on sourcing quotes for an allotment fence/gates
The Chairman referred to the photographs of the boundary of the allotment.
Members noted that to obtain a quote whilst the vegetation was so lush would be very difficult.

Resolved: that quotes should be sought in the autumn when the vegetation has died back and exactly what was required to improve the fencing could be seen

12. Correspondence
None.

13. Members' points of information and items for the agenda
13.1 The light bulbs in the Council Chambers will be replaced with LEDs and will be reviewed if necessary.
13.2 The Clerk will ask the Work's Supervisor to cut back the grass at the Amy Black Centre.
13.3 An item for the next agenda to discuss area of land on West Lane.

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Chairman of Property Committee