

Hedon Town Council
Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of
Finance & General Purposes Committee
held at the Town Hall, St Augustine's Gate, Hedon
27 April 2023

Present: In the Chair – Cllr S Gallant
Cllrs: Mrs S Banks, C Billany, Mrs B Goldspink, B Hanson, and D Thompson
Kim Gray (Town Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs: N Black (illness), J Brindley (prior engagement), J Dennis (prior engagement), Miss S Rommell (prior engagement), B Stockdale (access issues) and Miss D Storr (illness).

Resolved: that the apologies were accepted

2. Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on 23 March 2023 were agreed as being a correct record of the proceedings thereat.

Resolved: That the minutes were confirmed as a true record

3. Updates on the Minutes

3.1 Update on the Coronation arrangements – the Coronation Parade Order was circulated to Councillors.

3.2 Update on '20 is Plenty' – PCSO Dunning-Davis forward a useful report, speed limits do reduce speed of traffic. The item would be placed on the agenda at the next meeting.

4. Declaration of Interests

4.1 To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

4.2 To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the agenda items listed below.

5. To approve Accounts Payable Schedule – April

The Schedule previously circulated to Members, will form part of the Minutes.

Resolved: that the schedule of payments for April 2023, signed by two Councillors, in the sum of £29,133.89 was approved.

6. To receive an update on the financial position of the Council as at 31 March 2023

The Chairman referred to the documents attached to these Minutes which had been circulated to all Councillors; the documents indicated the financial position of the Council as at 31 March 2023.

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Resolved: that the schedules showing receipts/payments made during February and the budget monitoring report were approved

7. To approve Asset Register as at 31 March 2023

The Chairman referred to the Asset Register; previously circulated.

Resolved: that the Asset Register at 31 March 2023 was approved

8. To note report from Hedfest Working Group and approve actions taken

The Chairman gave a brief report of the last meeting. Cllr Thompson confirmed that Rev Pulko will arrange for refreshments to be available on the Friday night Acoustic event.

Resolved: that the report was noted, and the actions taken were approved.

9. To receive a report from the Events Working Group and to approve actions taken

Cllr Banks provided Members with an update, the Dog Show is Saturday, everything is ready. Next meeting Friday 5 May 11am.

Resolved: that the report was noted, and the actions taken were approved.

10. To consider a request from Hed'On Inn to site 2 benches in Iveson car park between June-October.

The Chairman noted the benches were sited in this location during lockdown and beyond. Members consider whether a short-term agreement to allow the use of the same rear would be appropriate subject to the business keeping the area clean and tidy. The Council would reserve the right to terminate at any point if terms are not met, for a £20 per month, £100 for the term of the agreement, being June to October, payable in advance.

Resolved: that the Council would approve a short-term agreement with Hed'on Inn to use a specified area in Iveson Car Park to site 2 benches, subject to the area being maintained to a clean and tidy standard for a consideration of £100, in advance, for the term of the agreement, being June to October. The Council would reserve the right to terminate the agreement at any point if the terms were not met.

11. Correspondence

14.1 Work to undertaken to improve drainage on the Hedon Bypass.

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

15.1 Cllr Thompson – reported that the Mayor's chain has minor damage, one of the shoulder pins has broken. The Clerk will make enquiries and find a suitable window of opportunity to resolve the issue.

15.2 Cllr Thompson – the Mayor would like to present 2 Hedon Plaques; Katie Smith (Rueben's Voice), Hedon Rangers, Ray Duffill (who has already received a plaque from a previous Mayor). TD will discuss the arrangements with the Clerk tomorrow.

15.3 Cllr Thompson – raised the question of awarding the honour of Freeman/woman.

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- 15.4 Cllr Billany – reported on the recent ERNLLCA District meeting; only 22 town and parish councils in the East Riding went to an election. ERYC would like to reinstate the Transport meetings for which the Council would need to nominate a Transport Champion to represent Hedon Town Council. The subject of Travellers was a matter for discussion as new regulations would be coming into force.
- 15.5 Cllr Gallant – Would like to table a motion for the next agenda, for the Council to consider reporting three ERYC Councillors to Standards for breaching regulations during their election campaign.

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Chairman of Finance & General Purposes Committee