

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 June 2025

Present: Cllr P Hinch/S Wright in the Chair
Cllrs: Cllr S Archer, C Billany, Cllr J Brindley, Cllr J Dennis, Cllr S Gallant,
Cllr G Pocklington and Cllr D Thompson
Interim Clerk: C Addy J Johnson (Civic Officer)

1. To elect a Chairman

It was proposed by Cllr Billany and seconded by Cllr Hinch that Cllr Wright be Chairman of the Property Committee. There were no other nominations, and Cllr Wright was elected unopposed.

Resolved: that Cllr Wright was elected as Chairman of the Property Committee

2. To elect a Deputy Chairman

It was proposed by Cllr Billany and seconded by Cllr Pocklington that Cllr Hinch be Deputy Chairman of the Property Committee. There were no other nominations, and Cllr Hinch was elected unopposed.

Resolved: that Cllr Hinch was elected as Deputy Chairman of the Property Committee

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from S Banks (prior commitment), B Goldspink (prior commitment) and S Rommell (ill)

Resolved: that apologies were accepted

4. Confirmation of the Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Property Committee of the Hedon Town Council held on 15 May 2025 were agreed as being a correct record of the proceedings subject to the following amendments:

Resolved: that the minutes, subject to the above amendments, were confirmed as a true record.

5. Updates on the Minutes

No updates on the minutes

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

7. Proposal for Solar Lighting - update

Cllr Dennis took no part in the vote relating to provision of a light on Ivy Lane as he is a resident of the area.

Members referred to the various quotes received from Prolectric regarding the provision and installation of two or four solar lights. It was noted that the installation cost was the same whether two or four lights were fitted.

The Clerk had sought alternative quotes for installation of the lights and received two out of the three sought. She also noted that permission for the sites on Grape Lane and Ivy Lane had not yet been received from ERYC.

After discussion members agreed to accept the quote from Prolectric for two lights but that the installation should be carried out by L and K Warcup (for 2 lights). It was noted that if permission from ERYC was not forthcoming for either site the lights would be stored and a decision made on an alternative location.

Resolved: that the quotation for 2 solar lights from Prolectric be approved at a cost of £4,530 plus VAT and that the quotation from L and K Warcup for installation of two lights at a cost of £395 plus VAT) was approved

8. Town Hall damp issue – update following damp survey

Members discussed the quote received regarding fixing the damp in the Town Clerk's office. It had proved impossible to obtain three quotes for the work, even though ERYC had been approached for suggestions. It was agreed that the work should be carried out in accordance with the quote and, if possible, during the August recess period. The Clerk would ask the company to quote for work to solve the damp problem in the Mayor's Parlour.

Resolved: that the quote from Dovedale Dampcure Services Ltd was accepted at a cost of £3,441.60 (ex VAT)

9. To consider request for mountain biking track

Members were impressed with the young man's proposal but would like more information on what exactly he has in mind and where. Members discussed at length the skatepark repairs required following vandalism, and the upgrades required for the play area, and also the possibility of CCTV monitoring in the area or some other sort of solution for anti-social behaviour. The Clerk would look into funding streams with regard to ASB, including ERYC ASB Team.

The Clerk would invite Oliver Bucknall to meet with Councillors prior to the next Property Committee Meeting for a discussion on his proposal.

10. To consider to setting up a working group to look after Horsewell Pond

After discussion members agreed to set up a working group consisting of Cllrs Billany, Hinch, Pocklington and Thompson. It was noted that some residents had expressed an interest in being part of the group and members felt this was a good idea and they should be approached. The first meeting of the working group would be at 6pm on Wednesday 2 July 2025 in the Town Hall.

Resolved: that the 'Horsewell Pond Working Group' was set up as stated above and the first meeting would take place at 6pm on 2 July 2025 in the Town Hall

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11. To consider signage for Skatepark/Play Area

Cllr Billany raised the possibility of installing some signage for both the Skate Park and the Play Area as they were not easy to find. It was agreed that the Town Clerk would obtain quotes and report back to the next meeting.

12. Correspondence

12.1 The Clerk was awaiting information on the PSPO variation request regarding 'alcohol restriction' in Hedon town centre; she would forward to members as soon as it was received.

12.2 The Clerk had approached Holderness Health about an informal meeting with the Council; however it was proving difficult to arrange a suitable time/date. Cllr Gallant and Dennis (Ward Councillors) were attending a forum next week with Holderness Health and would raise issues that have been reported to them with HH and report back to the next meeting.

13. Members' points of information and items on the agenda

13.1 Update re Yorkshire Day 2027 meeting – Cllr Hinch updated members on his meeting with Yorkshire Day Society and confirmed that Hedon had been offered the opportunity to host Yorkshire Day in 2027. Although a decision could not be made under this item, members agreed that the Council should accept and an item would be placed on the next F&GP Committee agenda to ratify the decision and look at budgets etc.

13.2 Cllr Hinch referred to the Yorkshire Society plaque that had been given to the Council; members discussed where the plaque should be placed. It was noted that the ideal place was on the front of the Town Hall but this might require Conservation Planning Permission. The Clerk would investigate.

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Chairman of Property

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