

Hedon Town Council

Public Participation Meeting

To be held at the Town Hall, Hedon

At 6.45pm

On

Thursday 28 July 2022

**THE MAYOR OF HEDON
CLLR DAVID THOMPSON IN THE CHAIR**

ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

Anyone living within the Town of Hedon who wishes to attend may raise any issue of interest or concern with regard to matters in Hedon. Questions should be put in writing and sent/e-mailed to the Town Clerk by 5pm on Wednesday 27 July 2022

Once written questions have been taken, questions from the floor will be accepted

Questions that cannot be answered during the Public Participation Session will be put on the next relevant Committee agenda

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QUESTIONS FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION – 28 JULY 2022

The questions have been listed in the order they were received.

FROM:	QUESTION
<p>Written question from J Dunning-Davies – Neighbourhood Watch</p>	<p>One of the biggest complaints received by Neighbourhood Watch is regarding anti-social driving and excess speed in the 20 mph zones around the town. Since neither Humberside Police nor Safer Roads Humber enforce 20mph zones, how can this be addressed? Would the Council support either increased road engineering to slow people down or increase the limits to 30mph in places in order that abuse of the limit can be enforced?</p> <p><i>Answer:</i> <i>In March 2022 Mr Dunning-Davies held a meeting with representatives of the Town Council and humberside Police (ERYC Highways declined to attend). Three areas of concern were highlighted: Souttergate, Watson Drive and Station Road (between Preston and Hedon). The results of a speed survey on Souttergate in 2021 had concluded that no action needed to be taken by ERYC; however, the meeting called for a Golden River survey to be conducted. The Town Council supported this but ERYC declined to carry it out. Watson Park has been the subject of discussions between the Town Council and ERYC in the past and the Town Council hired Speed Indicator Signs to try and solve the issue of speeding cars. ERYC feel that the road itself slows traffic down and do not feel that any further measures are needed. The Safer Roads Humber Team do put mobile cameras on Magdalen Lane regularly. The meeting felt that the 20mph on Station Road was not adequately enforced. Again, the meeting called for a Golden Wire survey for this area but the request was declined. In his e-mail report following that meeting Mr Dunning-Davies put that he was not in favour of increasing the limit to 30mph (in relation to Souttergate) in order to enforce it. The Council would need to discuss the two suggested options put forward in detail before indicating support for either. What sort of road engineering would be suitable for these areas? The matter will be tabled for the next F&GP Agenda for detailed discussion.</i></p>
<p>Written question from J Lindop</p>	<p>During the 2021-'22 Mayorship there was a responsibility to provide refreshments at the Remembrance Day (Nov), Mayor's Sunday (March), a Civic Dinner (April) and one Silver Show (May). I was informed that the Mayoral allowance was £5,500 that year, provided by the residents of Hedon. As there was only four functions that year and as we had a lockdown, how much of that allowance was returned?</p> <p><i>Answer:</i> <i>The Mayoral allowance doesn't only cover events that are held in Hedon (as laid out above) but covers the expenses of attending civic events all around the East Riding and North Lincolnshire areas; including tickets for events, travel expenses and charity contributions at those events. The events in Hedon were not held during lockdown periods and approx. 30 events were held around the two counties during the mayoral year that were attended. As has been the case for many years, the Mayoral allowance does not actually cover the whole cost of Mayoral expenses but is designed to cover the majority which means that no councillor should be disadvantaged and unable to fulfil the role if elected by the Council to the position.</i></p>

Written question from
M Kilgariff

I'm hoping this is the right place to send something like this as it is of concern. At the end of Haven Basin Road, I really think we need a blind spot mirror. I've enclosed a satellite preview of the area in question (attached). There's no room to creep and peep as the road is so narrow and impossible to hear other cars aside your own. I've had a few very near misses recently along there and I'm sure I'm not the only one.

Answer:

Highways and signage are under the remit of ERYC and not the Town Council. However, ERYC policy is not to erect any sort of mirror on highways for the following reasons: 1. Tendency to mist and ice up in damp and cold weather; 2. Creation of 'blind spots'; 3. They draw the driver's attention away from the road; 4. They reflect glare from oncoming vehicles; 5. Difficult to judge oncoming vehicle distances due to the mirror magnification and 6. They are prone to vandalism and movement during strong winds.

Any question that does not receive an answer due to time pressures will be put on the relevant agenda for the next council committee meeting

JM/27.7.22