

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

22 January 2026

Present: In the Chair – Cllr S Gallant
Cllrs: S Archer, S Banks, C Billany, J Brindley, J Dennis, P Hinch, B Goldspink, G Pocklington, S Rommell and S Wright
Clerk: C Addy

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs: D Thompson (illness)

2. **Confirmation of the Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee held on the 11 December 2025 were agreed as being a correct record of the proceedings thereof

Resolved: That the minutes were confirmed as a true record

3. **Updates on the Minutes**

None.

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 – January 2026**

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

Resolved: that the schedule of payments for January 2026, signed by two Councillors, in the sum of £34,951.54 was approved

6. **To receive an update on the financial position of the Council as 31 December 2025**

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 31 December 2025. It was noted that the VAT refund from the year 2024/25 should be including in the income on the budget monitoring sheet.

Resolved: that the schedules showing receipts/payments made during December 2025 and the budget monitoring report were approved

7. **Hedfest – Update and approve decision to postpone until 2027**

The Chairman noted that combining Hedfest with Yorkshire Day in 2027 could prove to be a lot of work for the Town Hall staff; however, the Town Clerk and members felt it was a better use of the time. It was agreed to postpone Hedfest 2026 until 31 July 2027 to be followed by Yorkshire Day on 1 August 2027.

Resolved: that Hedfest 2026 was postponed until 31 July 2027

8. **Yorkshire Day 2027 - Update**

The Town Clerk reminded members that the next meeting of the working group would be at 6pm on Thursday 12 February before the Planning Committee Meeting. The Chairman had already asked the Chairman of ERYC to assist financially if possible. The Council could also request financial assistance from the Combined Mayor's community pot. Members felt that the Mayor of Hull & East Riding should be invited to a Council meeting.

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9. Events Working Group - Update

Cllr Banks said that the working group had not met since the last F&GP and she needed to arrange a meeting as soon as possible.

10. Lloyds Bank Closure/Cash Hub - Update

Cllr Dennis updated members on the progress of the Cash Hub which would be installed upstairs in the ERYC Library on St Augustine's Gate which was no ideal but at least meant that there were some services in the town. The closure of the branch had been moved to 27 March 2026 to allow for the new hub to be put in place. Opening hours were planned to be Monday – Friday 9am to 5pm. Members noted that there would not be any counter services; anything that needed to be dealt with by a person would require a visit to the main branch in Hull. Investigations were ongoing as to having another ATM for use within the town for when the cash hub was closed.

11. Update on Crime Report from Police Crime Prevention Visit/Quotes

The Town Clerk updated members that following the Crime Prevention visit she was obtaining quotes for the work that needed to be done urgently. Other items could then be done at a later date. A quote had been sought from the alarm company currently used by the Council for installation and maintenance for the relevant work to the alarm zones which had been £389. Quotes for the improved fencing outside the Mayor's Parlour had also been received. Quotes for the other recommended works were being sought.

Resolved: that the work to the alarm system by Advanced Alarms, at a cost of £389, was approved and should be carried out as soon as possible

Resolved: that the quote from Glen Fencing, at a cost of £600, was approved and the work carried out as soon as possible

12. Correspondence

None.

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

None.

Chairman of Finance & General Purposes Committee