

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Tuesday 14th July 2009 – 7.30pm
Large Front Room, Town Hall South Lane
Hessle

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Bratley, Boast, Jenkins, Kitchen, Masson and R. D. Tress

Also in attendance Mr. J Fish Mr P Medley and 5 members of the public.

Cllr Kitchen as Chairman of the Council, took the following 3 items.

Apologies: None

13649 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

None were given

13650 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:**

(R.D Tress/Masson)

RESOLVED to nominate Cllr Kathie Jenkins as Chairman of the Environment Committee for the current municipal year.

(There were no other nominations)

13651 **ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:**

Cllr Jenkins thanked members for giving her the opportunity and duly took the chair.

13652 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:**

(Chair/Bratley)

RESOLVED to nominate Cllr R. D. Tress as Vice-Chairman of the Environment Committee for the current municipal year.

(There were no other nominations).

13653 **APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED MEMBERS:**

(Chair/R. D. Tress)

RESOLVED that Mr. J Fish and Mr. Pete Medley be appointed to serve on the Environment Committee as Co-opted members. For the current municipal year.

13654 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

(R. D. Tress/Kitchen)

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 12th May 2009 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

13655 **CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

(Chair/Kitchen)

RESOLVED noted that the e-mail from a member of the public Damian Johnson, has shown an interest in energy resources from the Humber Estuary which is encouraging for the Council.

13656 **ALLOTMENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE:**

(Chair/R. D. Tress)

- a) **RESOLVED** noted the details of the income/expenditure to 31st May 2009.
- b) **RESOLVED** that half- plot holders are to be given the discount for those over 60 or receiving benefits. Rental for fencing payment is to be shown separately on all invoices.

13657 SITE INSPECTION – BOOTHFERRY ROAD AND FEERIBY ROAD:

(R.D. Tress/Boast)

RESOLVED noted the report from Boothferry Road Allotment site on 13th July 2009 with the following points:

1. Plots 145/146 be sent a Letter A.
2. Inspections to be done more frequently, checking on those plots who have been sent letters.

RESOLVED noted the report from Ferriby Road Allotment Site on 13th July 2009, with the Scouts/Cubs to be congratulated for their good effort.

13658 VACANT PLOTS:

(Chair/Boast)

RESOLVED noted that there are no vacant plots.

13659 VANDALISM

(R.D. Tress/Boast)

RESOLVED that a letter and photographs of the damage caused to greenhouses and sheds be sent to the Head Master of Hesse High School, informing him that vandals have entered the Boothferry Road allotment site from the School boundary. A copy of this letter also be sent to East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Mr Andrew Williams, Director of Children, Family and Adult Services.

(R.D. Tress/Boast)

RESOLVED that a letter be sent to Mr. Evison occupier of the field to the west of the allotment site, informing him that dog walkers are still trespassing on his property.

A member of the public questioned if plot holders are insured for damage caused to greenhouses.

(Chair/R.D. Tress)

RESOLVED that plot holders are not insured by the Council and all vandalism should be reported to the Police individually. Hessle Town Council will continue to improve the security of the allotment site where it can.

13660 **HESSLE & DISTRICT GARDENER'S ASSOCIATION:**

(Chair/Kitchen)

RESOLVED that the Assistant Town Clerk writes to the secretary Mrs Poyner advising her that the Town Mayor Councillor Frank Kitchen and Councillor Kathie Jenkins will be present at the Hessle & District Gardeners Associations Autumn Show on Saturday 29th August 2009 to present certificates and trophies.

Councillors Kitchen, Jenkins and the Assistant Town Clerk will meet on Wednesday 22nd July at the Boothferry Road allotment site at 12 noon to carry out the judging for the shield and certificates.

13661 **TENANCY AGREEMENT FOR ALLOTMENT HOLDERS:**

(Tress/Kitchen)

RESOLVED that regarding item 6 (h) on the tenancy agreement for allotment holders, members are informed on the annual letter that they are to keep the hedges if applicable, at their side of the allotment in good order.

Mr Medley informed members that hedges are cut by the farmer every three years and any thing above 6ft is classed as a tree and cannot be cut. Clerk to request clarification of this status from Alan Hemingway at East Riding of Yorkshire Council

13362 **PROPOSED DRAINAGE, IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT
BOOTHFERRY ROAD ALLOTMENT SITE:**

(Chair/Kitchen)

RESOLVED that this item be taken to Full Council as an urgent item with consultation with Councillors Kitchen/Jenkins/R.D. Tress if any proposals are made.

A recommendation was made that the Chair of the Council assists the Assistant Town Clerk to deal with any urgent matters, and respond to Martin Clarke East Riding of Yorkshire Council thanking him for his correspondence.

13363 **WESTERN DRAIN:**

(R. D. Tress/Kitchen)

RESOLVED to thank Mr. Crawford (Environment Agency) for his information, that this article to be taken to the Communication meeting to be put in "Hessle Town."

To contact Mr. Andrew McLoughlin asking him when the next multi-agency consultation meeting will be held, and that Hessle Town Council would like to receive the minutes from the previous meeting.

13364 **TREES IN THE WILLOWS – BOOTHFERRY ROAD – HESSLE**

(Chair/Kitchen)

RESOLVED that a letter be sent to the Forestry Commission with copies to Helen Trott, Councillors R. D. Tress, Davison, Jefferies, Kitchen, James Chatfield and Alan Hemmingway East Riding of Yorkshire Council informing them that Hessle Town Council wishes to initiate enforcement of the directive for re-planting of this site.

13365 **FOR INFORMATION:**

(R. D. Tress/Kitchen)

RESOLVED noted items as follows:

- a) IPD a renewable energy development – noted
- b) Do tenants need planning permission for a shed? – no
- c) Extract from The Clerk May 2009 – information welcomed.

13366 **TUBES & BASKETS:**

(Chair/Kitchen)

RESOLVED noted the crime and donations received. It was also noted that the quality of the bollard baskets in The Square are not up to their usual standard, and that next year members are to take into consideration that the cheapest is not always the best.

13367 **ERYC – IMPACT OF CHANGES FLOOD AND COASTAL RISK
MANAGEMENT ON RURAL COMMUNITIES**

(R. D. Tress/Kitchen)

RESOLVED correspondence noted.

