

Minutes of the Events & Communications Committee Meeting of Hessle Town Council held on Wednesday 3rd February 2021 at 7.30pm via ZOOM conference call in line with the temporary powers enabled by Section 78 of the Coronavirus 2020 Act.

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
Events and Communications Committee
Wednesday 3rd February 2021, 7.30pm
Via Zoom

Minutes

Members present: Councillors; P Davison, G Fordham, L Howe, V Padden (Chair) and C Walker

Advisory Members present (Non-Voting): K Weaver (Hessle First)

Also present: P Withers

Apologies received from: Cllr N Adams, K Jenkins, M Edwards (Hessle Federation) & L Harrison (Vice-Chair, Hessle First)

Clerk: Joanna Render

19255 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: The Chairman will now read out the following:-

Members must declare their pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in items at this meeting- other than personal and prejudicial interests – and ensure that they act appropriately.

None Received

19256 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th December 2020 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

(Howe/Fordham)

Resolved – The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th December 2020 were confirmed as a correct record and the Chair was authorised to sign.

19257 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS: To receive such communications as the Chairman may wish to put before the committee.

The Chair introduced Cllr Walker to speak

Cllr Walker advised that from next year, he is looking at starting a yearly event on King George V, maybe a Gala Day to include a sponsored walk or run. He hopes this will encourage other groups to use the park for other events. He would like this to be included on future agendas.

19258 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE: To note the Income and Expenditure as at 31st December 2020

(Padden/Davison)

Resolved – The Income & Expenditure report as at 31st December 2020 was agreed.

19259 UP TO DATE LIST OF EVENTS AT THE TOWN HALL: See list for events in 2021. These will be subject to the COVID-19 guidelines at the time.

A discussion took place as to whether the Town Hall if required, could be used as a vaccination centre. It was thought however, that the hall would not be a suitable venue as it could not be dedicated for this purpose, as it would be required for users once lock down was over. It is also a current venue for Blood Donation sessions.

(Padden/Howe)

Resolved - Noted

19260 EVENTS

- a) **Christmas Lights** – the Clerk has requested quotes for new lighting. Clerk to provide an update.

The Clerk advised that she had asked for quotes for new lighting along Ferriby road, additional lighting for the tree at the top of the Square and for string lighting around the columns. She is still awaiting the quotes.

- b) **HumberBridge Soapbox Derby– 3rd July 2021** – Committee to note that Sarah at Smile has started to promote next year’s event. Clerk to provide any update.

The clerk advised that she has not had an update as yet, she will invite Sarah to the next meeting.

Cllr Davison updated the Committee that the Hull Marathon will not be going ahead this year.

(Padden/ Davison)

Resolved – updates noted.

19261 REMEMBRANCE 2021 – The Committee to consider a knitted poppy display outside the Town Hall to mark the period of Remembrance in 2021.

(Padden/Howe)

Resolved – Agreed for a knitted poppy display to be erected outside the Town Hall to mark the period of Remembrance in 2021. Requests for poppies to be advertised in the next newsletter and on the website. The Clerk will look for a poppy pattern to be sent out if requested.

19262 PLATINUM JUBLIEE – 2nd June – 5th June 2022 – Committee to consider if they wish to commemorate the event, and discuss ideas. Phil Withers to speak to this item.

Phil gave a short presentation of how Hessle commemorated the Jubilee in 2012. He advised that it was a whole bank holiday weekend of events including the first Humber Bridge Soapbox Derby, The Feast and culminating in the Flotilla along the Humber and Foreshore on the Bank Holiday Monday. The Flotilla attracted attention from the media across the whole of the country and was well supported by residents and other visitors. He asked that the Committee consider doing it again to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee in 2022.

Phil is still in contact with ABP and The Harbour Master, who have indicated that they would like be involved if another event is planned, he is on the Advisory Board of the Team Humber Marine Alliance and the Hull and Humber Chamber Shipping Committee who have links with people and groups who run vessels on the Humber and contacts within the Royal Navy and Windfarm industry. He has spoken to about 10 of the participants from 2012 including the heritage vessels and water cannon boat operatives and they would be interested in getting involved in an event in 2022. Phil is more than happy to liaise with them with regards to any event.

The Bank Holiday in 2022 runs from a Thursday to a Sunday and Phil suggests that the Council only run one event over the weekend as the last time there were three and it was exhausting for all those involved, both in the organising of it and over the actual event weekend. Any event should not clash with any celebration in London. It would be an idea to consider a Firework Barge in the Humber, which they could not do in 2012 – which was a disappointment, he estimates the cost of this to be in the region of £7000. Funding was an issue in 2012 and may also be an issue next year due to the financial implications on businesses of the Corona Virus Pandemic. Phil hopes that 2022 will be a year of celebration and that businesses would be keen to get involved. Phil has discussed the potential event with Paul Bell at ERYC, and he suggests that ERYC are approached early for funding, Hull City Council, as a Yorkshire Maritime City may also be in a position to provide funding support. Other areas of support should also be looked into e.g. DEFRA. He also suggested that the Council write to the Humber Bridge Board to see if they would like to get involved. Cllr Davison is happy to approach ERYC to enquire about what funding may be available, and Phil is happy to be involved in any discussions. Any event could be seen as a combined celebration of the Jubilee and coming through the Coronavirus pandemic. Cllr Howe suggested that street party celebrations could also be looked into. Phil advised that street parties did happen in 2012 but the Council were not involved with these. The committee can look at these at a later date.

(Padden/Howe)

Resolved – The Committee would like to support a Flotilla event to celebrate the Platinum. Clerk to write to the Humber Bridge Board and enquire if they would support any event and Cllr Davison is to write to ERYC to make enquiries with regards to funding.

19263 HESSLE MARKET – To discuss the current situation with regards to the Market and to receive any updates from Hessle First.

The Clerk advised that she had invited Larissa Harrison, the Vice Chair of Hessle First to this meeting. She advised that Larissa wanted Hessle First to have a meeting prior to any discussion with the Town Council. The clerk will invite Larissa to the March meeting of the committee

(Padden/Davison)

Resolved – Update noted.

Kay Weaver and Phil Withers left the meeting

The communications meeting will now commence. Advisory members are welcome to stay if they wish

19264 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE: To note the Income and Expenditure relating to the Newsletter, website and Noticeboards as at 31st December 2020.

(Padden/Howe)

Resolved - The Income and Expenditure to the 31st December 2020 was noted.

19265 NOTICEBOARDS – Committee to note that the board on South Lane has been repaired and painted and that the noticeboard warden has also been asked to tidy the board on Cambridge Road. The Clerk advised that the warden has been asked to keep an eye on fly-posters and remove as required.

(Padden/Davison)

Resolved – Update noted. Once in the new financial year, the Clerk will instruct Corona Signs to refurbish the noticeboards at the locations previously agreed. The Committee would like to thank Peter the warden for all his hard work in tidying up the boards.

19266 ‘HESSLE TOWN’ – ISSUE 106 – To consider the content for the next newsletter. Suggested articles

- i. What HTC is doing (Tower Hill, Town Hall Refurbishment, New website)
- ii. Successful Tree Grant Application – location of new trees and photo
- iii. Request for knitted poppies for display outside the Town Hall during period of Remembrance
- iv. Men in Sheds article – Cllr Padden will chase up.
- v. Health Minds Information – ERYC
- vi. Food Bank update / reminder
- vii. Hessle Foreshore Mill Update – when it may be open to public
- viii. Hull Speakers Club – Toastmasters International – help members develop confidence with public speaking. Hullspeakers.org.

(Padden/Walker)

Resolved – Agreed to the content of the next newsletter as above plus an article on the U3A. To also include a tribute to Frank Kitchen, former Councillor and Mayor, who has sadly passed away.

19267 ADVERTISERS ‘HESSLE TOWN’ – ISSUE 106

- a) Crawshaws Roofing – ½ page (TBC)
 - b) Hudsons – Full page (TBC)
 - c) TW Black – ¼ page
- (Padden/Walker)

Resolved – Advertisers for the next issue of the newsletter noted.

19268 TIMETABLE FOR ‘HESSLE TOWN’ – ISSUE 106 – Committee to discuss timetable for the production and delivery of the newsletter.

(Padden/Davison)

Resolved – Agreed upon a May delivery, to be with the distributor by the end of April.

19269 HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL WEBSITE – The website is now live, and is being updated on a regular basis with news and information.

Cllr Howe will cease to update his website now that this one is live and information can be updated easily.

(Fordham/Padden)

Resolved- The Committee passed on their thanks to Cllr Howe for keeping his website updated with Town Council information in the interim period.

- a) To consider the request from Cllr Bovill regarding a ‘Visit Hessle’ tab
- (Padden/Davison)

Resolved – Further information to be obtained from Cllr Bovill as to the content on the suggested ‘Visit Hessle’ tab.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 3rd March 2021