

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
Tuesday, 21st September 2021 at 7.30pm
***(Public Forum at 7.30pm)**
Town Hall, South Lane, Hessle

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Adams, Bovill (Chairman), Davison, Fordham, Langdale, Padden, Sutton and Wilding

Mrs Vicky Jude & Mr Josh Anderson – East Riding Council Health & Wellbeing Officers.

Dr. Debbie Wearmouth - Hull University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

Clerk: Mrs K Cooper

1 Member of the public

Apologies: Cllrs Carroll (Vice-Chairman), Cross, Howe, A. Nolan, D. Nolan, Potter, Walker and Mr Paul Hogan (Non-voting Advisor)

133323 PUBLIC FORUM

To hold the Public Forum at the appointed time of 7.30pm to allow any members of the press or public to speak.

There were no members of the public or press present that wished to speak.

133324 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

The Chairman now read out the following – Members must declare their pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in items at this meeting – *rather than personal and prejudicial interests* – and ensure that they act appropriately.

None given.

133325 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

(Padden/Adams)

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 27th July 2021 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

As guest speakers had been invited and were present, the Chairman proposed that Minute nos 133328 and 133327 be moved and discussed at this point in the meeting.

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Following a recent Training Course and observing other Councils, the Chairman suggested that in order to connect with more of our local Hessle community, the Town Council should consider social media and having a dedicated Hessle Town Council Facebook page, together with the ability to record and live stream Town Council meetings. He is aware that extra resource would be needed (staff) in order to do this and in this respect, requested that an item is put on the next Agenda for the Events & Communication Committee to initially look into and discuss this further.

133327

ERYC HEALTH & WELLBEING ENGAGEMENT OFFICERS:

To meet the ERYC Health & Wellbeing Engagement Officers, Vicky Jude and Josh Anderson, learn what they do and discuss how we can all work more closely.

7.45pm

Vicky & Josh introduced themselves to members and explained each of their roles within the East Riding Council Health & Wellbeing Team. As part of what they are doing for Hessle, Vicky explained that they would like to look at setting up a local Hessle Partnership Group, with the help of Hessle Town Council, in order for existing individuals, groups, volunteers, ERYC and the Town Council to be able to hold and share information with each other and any new groups/individuals starting out, to work collectively and to promote these groups/services for the residents of Hessle to access and receive help if needed. They also work with ERVAS (East Riding Voluntary Action Services) and the Smile Foundation who have helpful information and access to funding. They are currently working with the 'Older People's Partnership' events that are taking place next week at venues in Hull and the East Riding (one here at Hessle Town Hall on 29th September). Josh is currently working on the 'What's On' guides that were produced in 2019/2020 and hopefully the Hessle guide will be updated and published again in January 2022.

The Chairman and members thanked Vicky and Josh for attending and for the information provided.

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Dr DEBBIE WEARMOUTH – COVID 19:

At the request of Councillor John Wilding, Dr Debbie Wearmouth, Consultant Microbiologist, is to speak to the Council regarding the ongoing Covid situation.

7.35pm

Dr Wearmouth gave a brief presentation to the Town Council of the current Covid situation in our local area and in our hospitals and although a decrease has been seen in the number cases in the last week, she wanted to advise that as the colder months approach, there is a growing concern in the NHS of Covid infection rates increasing together with the worry of flu also becoming prevalent again now that restrictions have been lifted and people are socialising again. The message is to keep safe by continuing to wear face coverings, use the lateral flows and self-testing and regular hand washing.

Following some questions, the Chairman on behalf of the Council, thanked Dr Wearmouth for attending and providing the update.

133329

POLICE MATTERS:

- a) To receive the latest information on police matters pertaining to Hessle since the previous meeting.

(Chair/Sutton)

As no Police were present, the Chairman proposed that the information and latest figures are received and noted.

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HESSLE VOLUNTEERING:

To receive the notes from Councillor Carroll and to approve the draft Constitution for the 'Hessle Volunteering' Charitable Incorporated Organisation, the formation of which was agreed at the Full Council Meeting held on 17th March 2020, and to agree and approve a budget for this of £5,000.00 in order to be able to set up and register the organisation with the Charities Commission.

(Wilding/Fordham)

RESOLVED that as Councillor Carroll was not present to answer questions and reservations that members had, this item be deferred to the November Full Council meeting. Councillors would like to thank Councillor Carroll for his work on this item so far.

133331

EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

- a) Traffic – Prohibition of Motor Vehicles – Seagran Avenue and Winthorpe Road (Experimental) Order 2021

To receive and discuss the East Riding of Yorkshire Councils above mentioned Traffic Regulation Order (a copy of which is enclosed for your perusal) and to make any comments before 5th March 2022, which is the final date for objections.

(Chair/Davison)

RESOLVED that the Traffic Regulation Order is received and noted.

- b) Persimmon Homes – Ferriby Road Tree Belt

To discuss a proposal by Councillor D. Nolan that subject to formal agreement, Hessle Town Council consider pursuing Persimmon Homes and ERYC to request that the tree belt to the North of land to be developed by Persimmon Homes along Ferriby Road (details enclosed for your perusal) be transferred to Hessle Town Council to manage and to try and create a valuable community green asset/corridor by linking this site with the Tranby Lodge Gateway site.

(Fordham/Padden)

RESOLVED that as there are some reservations by Councillors regarding the area proposed, this item is deferred until the next Full Council meeting in order that further investigations can be made on the ownership of the land.

133332

NEWBALD PARISH COUNCIL – CORRESPONDENCE TO TOWN & PARISH COUNCILS

To receive and discuss the email received by Newbald Parish Council regarding their concerns and disillusionment with the relationship between Town & Parish Councils and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the lack of engagement and/or action by the East Riding Council.

(Fordham/Chair)

RESOLVED that the Clerk responds with a letter of sympathy to Newbald Parish Council with the issues they are experiencing with the East Riding Council.

133333 **QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION – THURSDAY 2nd JUNE 2022**

To ratify the decision made by the Events & Communications Committee to accept the quote of £10,000 (option 3) of the attached proposal from 'Fantastic Fireworks' for the provision of the firework display, on the understanding that this can added to as additional funding allows.

(Fordham/Padden)

RESOLVED that decision made by the Events & Communications Committee is ratified and the quote (option 3) is accepted from 'Fantastic Fireworks' for the provision of the firework display at the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration event in 2022.

133334 **FINANCE MATTERS:**

a) Schedule Nos: 263 and 264 (Receipts & Payments for July and August):

(Davison/Fordham)

RESOLVED To approve copy schedules 263 & 264 as given that were duly signed by the Chair of Finance & Personnel at the meeting held on 8th September 2021.

b) Annual Return for the Financial Year ended 31st March 2021

The Annual Return has now been returned from PKF Littlejohn, Accountants and has been prepared at a cost to the Town Council of £600.00 (+ VAT). The external auditor reports thus:

On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR, is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

The 'Notice of conclusion of the audit and right to inspect the Annual Return', in line with the statutory requirements is now displayed in the Town Hall Notice Board and on the website (for a minimum of at least 14 days), along with a copy of the certified Annual Return.

(Chair/Fordham)

RESOLVED that the return is noted and the Clerk be commended for another positive AGAR conclusion.

133335 **STANDING ORDER 9.1:**

A member may ask the Chairman of the Council or the Chairman of any committee any question concerning the business of the Council, provided that two days' notice of the question has been given by the member to the Town Clerk.

None received.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

To accept the minutes and reports of the meetings (*previously circulated*) and approve any recommendations contained therein:

Environment & Open Spaces - 14th September 2021 – (Padden/Bovill)

Events & Communications – 1st September 2021 – (Padden/Davison)

Finance, Personnel & Asset Management - 8th September 2021 – (Fordham/Davison)

Planning & Traffic - 3rd August 2021 – (Adams/Wilding)

Planning & Traffic - 7th September 2021 – (Adams/Wilding)