

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE
Large Front Room
Hessle Town Hall
Tuesday 8th March 2022, 7.30pm
Minutes

Members present: Cllrs B Carroll, D Cross, G Fordham, V Padden, A Potter (Chairman), Sutton (Vice Chairman) and D Nolan

Advisory Member (Non-voting): Ms G White (HDGA)

Also Present: 5 residents of Tranby Lodge Gardens and 2 members of the Friends of Tranby Gate

Apologies received from: Cllrs J Bovill, A Nolan and Walker

133526 DECLARATION ON INTEREST: The Chairman will now read out the following – “Members must declare their pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in items at this meeting – rather than personal and prejudicial interests – and ensure that they act appropriately”

None received

133527 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on the 8th February 2022 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved – the minutes from the meeting held on the 8th February were confirmed as a correct record and the Chair was authorised to sign

133528 CHAIRMAN’S COMMUNICATIONS: To receive such communications as the Chairman may wish to lay before the committee. None received.

133529 ALLOTMENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE: Committee to receive and note the Income and Expenditure to 31st January 2022

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved - the Income and Expenditure to 31st January 2022 was noted

Item 8 was moved to this point in the meeting

133530 TRANBY LODGE GARDENS OPEN SPACE – Committee to consider the transfer of the land to Hessle Town Council from Persimmon Homes Yorkshire, in order that it can be retained as open space for the enjoyment of the wider community. As per letter and plan, and email from Cllr Nolan.

Cllr Potter welcomed the residents to the meeting and their comments on the proposal.

The residents in attendance were most upset by the situation and did not want the land to become an open space for the public. Prior to it being bought back by Persimmon it was owned and maintained by one of the residents and they saw no need for this to change. They are concerned that it would become an area for ASB, litter and dog mess, and may have a detrimental effect on their homes.

Cllr Nolan explained that currently the area lacks biodiversity, and by the Town Council taking the land over it would create a green corridor to the woods in the North. The involvement of the Friends of Tranby Gate in helping to look after this area would make it into a nature area, and possibly increase the trees and foliage to attract wildlife, the friends are more than willing to work with the residents in creating a natural space for all Hessle residents to enjoy. The wood to the North would be maintained by Persimmon.

Concern was raised that trees were currently being removed, Cllr Sutton advised that the tree committee had visited the site and were not opposed to the removal of 12 trees, which were small bushes only not well established. Assurances had been given by Persimmon that re-planting will take place by once the development works had been completed. This will be monitored by ERYC.

The residents left the meeting, and the committee discussed the item. Following a vote - 6 for, 1 against it was resolved to pass over to Full Council for further consideration.

(Sutton/Padden)

Resolved – That the decision to take ownership of the amenity land on Tranby Lodge Garden from Persimmon Homes be passed to Full Council for further discussion and that a decision be made.

133531 BOOTHFERRY ROAD, FERRIBY ROAD AND TOWER HILL ALLOTMENT SITES:

- a) Allotment Warden's Report: To note the report. Noted.
- b) Inspection of Plots: No visit carried out prior to the meeting. At the last inspection , most plots were being maintained. To arrange a visit in the next few weeks.
- c) Gardeners Association: No report. Clerk to provide any updates on items previously raised. Noted
- d) Plots: 1vacant plot – offered out. Noted
- e) Crime: None reported. Noted.
- f) Invoices: No invoices outstanding. Noted.

133532 ALLOTMENT ISSUES: Committee to consider the following issues.

- i. **Gritting of Allotments Communal Areas** – Committee to receive any update from Cllr Potter. No update at present, to be referred to a future meeting. Noted.
- ii. **Flooding to 6 Hemmingway Walk** – Committee to consider the email and photos from the resident and discuss what action can be taken to alleviate the flood water from flowing into the garden.
(Potter/Sutton)
Resolved - Cllr Potter and the Clerk will arrange to meet the resident and discuss the issue and to look at possible solutions.
- iii. **TREE ASSESSMENT** -Ferriby Road – Committee to note that the Clerk will be instructing a tree surgeon to carry out the required assessment. Noted.

133533 MEMORIAL BENCH REQUEST – Committee to consider the request from Cllr Nolan to fund the purchase and installation of a Memorial Bench, in memory of former Cllr Frank Kitchen. A discussion took place, and it was agreed to fund a bench in memory of the late Frank Kitchen. A suggested location being where The Haven meets the Humber on Jean’s Walk. Suitable locations to be discussed with the family and then to submit to ERYC.

(Nolan/Sutton)

Resolved – to fund the purchase and installation of a Bench in memory of Frank Kitchen, to discuss a suitable location with his family and then submit an application to ERYC.

133534 TREE COMMITTEE / TREE MEETINGS

a) Committee to note the attached report from the visit undertaken on 17/1/2022
(Sutton/Potter)

Resolved – the Tree Committee report from the visit undertaken on 17/1/2022 was noted.

133535 THE QUEEN’S GREEN CANOPY: Plant a Tree for the Jubilee. – The committee to consider planting a tree for the Jubilee and suitable locations. Cllr Fordham to speak to this item.

Cllr Potter suggested that the area in the Square where a small tree was removed would be an ideal position – central for all to see. The Clerk will make further enquiries about obtaining a tree and bring to a future meeting for further discussion.

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved - Clerk to obtain further information about obtaining a tree for the Jubilee and bring to a future meeting.

133536 LITTER BINS REQUESTS – None for consideration. Noted.

133537 TUBS/ FLORAL DISPLAYS –

a) Committee to receive any updates from Cllr Carroll and Cllr Potter

Cllr Potter gave a presentation, suggesting a Boulevard delta 60 Trough, height of 60cm, Length of 80cm and Depth of 55cm. A discussion was held on suitable areas and as to whether permission would need to be sought from ERYC. The clerk will also investigate the regeneration / High Street fund and see any funding can be obtained through that.

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved – agree to the purchase of 10 Boulevard delta 60 Trough planters - height 60cm. for the following locations – south corner of the Square opposite the cake room, The east corner of the Square near the tree, near to co-op ,traffic island opposite Turner and Sellers, north side of the Square opposite the Co-op near the crossing. To also install 2 x half barrels on the amenity land on Southgate opposite All Saints Church Hall. The clerk will contact ERYC for permission to instal the planters.

133538 EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING FUND – 2021 – Committee to note that all trees have been planted and the grant funding received. Noted.

133539 TOWER HILL MEMORIAL PARK – Clerk to provide any further update.

The Clerk advised that the park will be passed over to Hessle Town Council on the 1st April 2022, and the grounds maintenance company have been instructed to start grass cutting from April. The council is working alongside ERYC in obtaining quotes for the play area refurbishment. It is hoped they will be received prior to taking the park over.

Update noted.

133540 HESSLE – COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN – Cllr Potter to provide any update. No further updates at present, to be referred to a future meeting. Noted.