

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE
Large Front Room
Hessle Town Hall
Tuesday 12th July 2022, 7.30pm
Minutes

Members present: V Padden, A Potter (Chairman), Sutton (Vice Chairman)
Clerk: Joanna Render

Apologies: Cllrs Bovill, Carroll, Walker, and Ms G White (HDGA- non-voting advisory member)

133747 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.

133748 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th June 2022 and authorise the Chairman to sign.
(Sutton/Padden)

Resolved - The minutes of the meeting held on the 14th June 2022 were agreed as a correct record and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

133749 CHAIRMAN’S COMMUNICATIONS: To receive such communications as the Chairman may wish to lay before the committee.

The Clerk advised that she had received information from the Tree and Woodland Action Group offering to plant trees on vacant land. Cllr Sutton in her role as Co-chair of the Humber Forest Group agreed to take the information and investigate further.

133750 ALLOTMENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE: Committee to receive and note the Income and Expenditure to 31st May 2022.

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved - the Allotment Income & Expenditure to 31st May 2022 was noted.

133751 BOOTHFERRY ROAD, FERRIBY ROAD AND TOWER HILL ALLOTMENT SITES:

- a) Allotment Warden’s Report: To note the report. The report was noted, and that thanks be passed onto the warden for all his hard work.
- b) Inspection of Plots: see attached report from 29th June 2022 to the Boothferry Road site. Cllr Potter advised that sadly there were a few plots which require attention, and the appropriate letters will be sent to the tenants. To note the report.
- c) Gardeners Association: To receive any report from the HDGA. No report, however, any items of concern have been covered within the agenda.

- d) Plots: 1 vacant plot which has been offered out (plot 31). One more to become vacant in the next couple of weeks. Noted.
- e) Crime: Tenant has had a parasol stolen off plot. Noted.
- f) Invoices: No invoices outstanding. Noted.

133752 ALLOTMENT ISSUES: Committee to consider the following issues.

- i. Fencing adjacent to the old High School site. Cllr Davison has been approached for further updates. No further updates at present. The Clerk advised that Cllr Davison has emailed the ERYC Officer in charge of the project, and asked for a meeting to discuss the issues, currently awaiting a reply. Noted.
- ii. Committee to consider the 'Lone Working & Staying Safe on The Allotment Site' guidance and if there is anything they wish to add. To be issued with invoices to all tenants and to be placed round site.
(Sutton/Potter)
Resolved - Agreed to the wording of the Lone Working & Staying Safe on the Allotment Site' notice. To be sent out with invoices later in the year and placed on the sites.
- iii. Committee to consider how to thank one of the tenants for all the work he has done on fixing leaks and installation of a new tap, at no charge.
(Sutton/Potter)
Resolved - Agreed on a small token of thanks in the form of either a garden or shopping voucher with a letter of thanks.
- iv. The Clerk found the gate to the Boothferry Road site wide open recently. Committee to note that she has asked a tenant to make further enquiries regarding the installation of CCTV run through solar power. Costs etc will be brought to a future meeting. Noted.

133753 TREE COMMITTEE / TREE MEETINGS

- a) Committee to note the tree report for June 2022. Cllr Sutton advised that if visits with the ERYC case officer cease, then a different method of assessing applications needs to be looked at as the emailing system used in Mr Hemingway's absence was not ideal.
(Sutton/Potter)
Resolved - The Tree Report for June 2022 and update from Cllr Sutton was noted.
- b) Committee to note that two dead trees have been reported to ERYC for removal- one on Swanland Road, the other on Livingstone Road near to the Foregales site. Cllr Sutton advised that they are both still in situ. She will monitor and advise. Noted.

133754 LITTER BINS REQUESTS – None for consideration. Noted.

133755 TUBS/ FLORAL DISPLAYS –

- a) Committee to note that the new planters are due for delivery w/c 18th July. Mr Marjoram will site and fill. Noted.
- b) Committee to consider the specifications and quotes for a Mobile Watering System.

A discussion was held on the merits of both machines, and it was decided that the most favourable was the WBEPW at a cost of £1855 +VAT, as this has an electric front wheel and would be significantly easier to handle and manoeuvre.

(Potter/Padden)

Resolved – Clerk is to place an order for the WBEPW mobile watering system at a cost of £1855 + VAT.

- c) Committee to consider having baskets and bollard baskets with water reservoirs for next year's planting. Clerk to provide further information. The clerk advised that the baskets in the Square would benefit from having reservoirs during particularly prolonged periods of sunny weather, as they are in full sun for most of the day. A discussion was held as to whether these would be required if the mobile watering system was purchased, however committee agreed that the clerk could obtain further information and costings and bring to a future meeting.

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved – Clerk to investigate the costings for suitable bollard and hanging baskets for the Square.

133756 TOWER HILL MEMORIAL PARK –

- a. Committee to note that two companies have submitted plans, still awaiting a third – this should be received in the next couple of weeks. Noted.
- b. Committee to note that the allotment warden has been clearing the Sunken garden of weeds following a couple of complaints. The committee agreed that he has done an excellent job and the area looks much better – thanks to be passed to him for all his hard work.
- c. Committee to consider the quote for the replacement of the some of the fencing around the park perimeter. The Clerk advised that there are currently gaps around perimeter and no fencing at all on the top of the wall which runs along Tower Hill.

(Padden/Sutton)

Resolved – The committee agreed to the quote of £1910.00 + VAT for new and replacement perimeter fencing of Tower Hill Memorial Park.

- d. Committee to approve the wording of signage for the entrances to Tower Hill Park, and for the MUGA on KGV. The committee discussed the two signs. Agreeing to the wording for the Towe Hill Park sign, however they wished for basketball to be added before the word ring and for further enquiries to be made regarding the 'do not allow solvents or liquids to be spilled' as they did not think this was an issue.

(Potter/Sutton)

Resolved – agreed to the proposed wording for the signage for Tower Hill Memorial Park, amendments as required to the MUGA signage following further investigation.

- e. Committee to note that permission has been given for a children's sports / dance group to use the part of the park on a number of dates during the school holidays. All insurances and risk assessments will be in place by the group. This was noted, all agreed it was an excellent use of the space.

133757 MEMORIAL BENCH – Committee to consider the location as suggested by Cllr Davison for Frank Kitchen's Memorial bench. The family would like it to be placed somewhere in the Square.

(Sutton/Potter)

Resolved - that the Memorial Bench for Frank Kitchen be placed adjacent to the planters opposite Boots the chemist.

133758 HALTEMPRICE FLOOD ACTION GROUP – Committee to consider the attached email chain and to advise of any recent incidents of flooding or foul flooding in Hessle.

The Committee agreed that they are not aware of any incidents in Hessle. Noted.

133759 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS – Committee to consider holding monthly meetings from April-September and bi-monthly for the remainder of the year, scheduled for November, January, and March.

(Padden/Sutton)

Resolved - That the schedule of meetings be amended to holding monthly meetings from April-September and bi-monthly for the remainder of the year, scheduled for November, January, and March.