

HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL
Tuesday, 15th November 2022 at 7.30pm
***(Public Forum at 7.30pm)**
Via Zoom conference

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Adams, Howe, A. Nolan, D. Nolan, Padden and Sutton

Mr Paul Hogan – Non-voting Advisor

Clerk: Mrs K Cooper

Apologies: Cllrs Bovill, Carroll (Vice-Chairman), Cross, Davison (Chairman), Fordham, Langdale, Potter, Walker and Wilding

(D. Nolan/Adams)

As Councillor Davison (Chairman) and Councillor Carroll (Vice-Chairman) were not in attendance, Councillor D. Nolan proposed that Councillor Padden takes the Chair.

133898 PUBLIC FORUM:

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

There were no members of the public or press present.

133899 DISPENSATION – COUNCILLOR CROSS:

Full Council to ratify the resolution made by the Environment & Open Spaces Committee pursuant to Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 and waive the 6 month Councillor Attendance rule and grant the dispensation requested and allow Councillor Cross to continue as a member of Hessle Town Council.

(Sutton/Howe)

RESOLVED that because of work commitments out of the country, Hessle Town Council ratifies the decision made by the Environment & Open Spaces Committee and grants dispensation to waive the 6 month Councillor Attendance rule for Councillor Cross in order for him to continue as a member of Hessle Town Council and circumstances allow him to return and attend meetings.

133900 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.

133901 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

(Howe/Adams)

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 28th September 2022 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

133902 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

To receive such communications as the Chairman may wish to lay before the Council:

None received.

133903 POLICE MATTERS:

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

(D. Nolan/Sutton)

RESOLVED that the latest crime figures are received and noted. As comparison charts are no longer generated by the Police and the figures on the Police.uk website are not up to date, Councillors are unable to evaluate and spot any trends in the Hessle crime figures over the course of the last few months/years.

133904 ERYC:

a) Annual Rough Sleeper Estimate 2022

The ERYC annual estimate of rough sleepers is due to take place on the evening of Monday 14th November into the morning of Tuesday 15th November. If members know of or are made aware of anyone sleeping rough in the Hessle area on this date, please advise the Clerk with as much information as possible in order that the form can be completed.

(Chair/Adams)

RESOLVED that as no members are aware or have been made aware of anyone currently sleeping rough in Hessle, the Clerk responds to ERYC with a nil return for 2022.

133905 SOAP BOX DERBY EVENT 2023:

To ratify the decision taken by the Events & Communications Committee on 2nd November 2022 that the charity Hull 4 Heroes work in partnership with Hessle Town Council and take over the organising and running of the Humber Bridge Soap Box Derby from HEY Smile Foundation.

Councillors Padden and Davison to speak to this item if required.

(D. Nolan/Adams)

RESOLVED that Hessle Town Council agrees to work in partnership with Hull 4 Heroes and is pleased that they wish to take over the organising and running of the Humber Bridge Soap Box Derby from HEY Smile Foundation. Further details are however required of sponsorships and the charities that will benefit from the funds raised from this event.

133906 HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL FORTHCOMING MEETINGS 2023 AND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING DATE:

To note the new list of Committee and Full Town Council meeting dates for 2023. This will be emailed to all members and will be available on the website. As 2023 will be an election year, Council to decide on a date for the Annual Town Meeting. The Annual Town Meeting must take place between 1st March and 1st June (Local Government Act 1972, S12, para 14(1) and is usually

scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday in April which will be the 18th April in 2023. However, Councillors may wish to consider the pre-election period (previously known as 'purdah') and dates currently available at the Town Hall outside of this period to hold the Annual Town Meeting are; Thursday March 2nd , Wednesday 24th May, Tuesday 30th May and Wednesday 31st May.

(D. Nolan/Sutton)

RESOLVED that the Annual Town Meeting in 2023 will be held on Tuesday 30th May and that the new list of Full Council and Committee meeting dates is received and noted.

133907 STANDING ORDER 9.1:

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

None received.

133908 FINANCE MATTERS:

a) PWLB Loan

As the Secretary of State had agreed in 2021 that Hessle Town Council's PWLB Loan agreement could be extended for a further year due to the covid pandemic, this was only until 1st November 2022. Hessle Town Council to therefore ratify the decision made by the Finance Committee on 12th October to approve that the Clerk completed the paperwork and applied for the agreed Loan amount of £750,000.00 as an EIP (Equal Instalments Loan) over 25 years, as per the previous resolutions at Full Council on 21st Jan 2020 Minute No. 18851(b), Full Council on 21st July 2020 Minute No. 19020(d) and Finance, Personnel & Asset Management Committee on 13th July 2022 Minute No. 133764(a) before the agreed final date of 1st November 2022. A copy of the confirmation acceptance letter, rate applied and repayments was attached.

(Sutton/Adams)

RESOLVED that the decision made by the Finance Committee on the 12th October is approved.

b) Schedule Nos: 277 and 278 (Receipts & Payments up to 30/09/2022 & 31/10/2022):

(Sutton/Adams)

RESOLVED to approve the copies as given that were duly signed by the Chair of Finance & Personnel at the meetings held on 12th October and 9th November 2022.

c) Budget 2023-2024

The Clerk would like to remind Councillors that as well as our regular items of spending, attention is given for any additional requirements for any projects by each Committee for the next financial year and details passed to the Clerk and Chair of the Finance Committee. These will then be considered by the Budget Committee in January.

(Padden/Sutton)

RESOLVED noted.

133909 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

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

Events & Communications - 5th October 2022 (report only, inquorate) – (Padden/Adams)

Events & Communications – 2nd November 2022 – (Padden/Adams)

Environment & Open Spaces – 8th November 2022 – (Sutton/Padden)

Finance, Personnel & Asset Management – 12th October 2022 – (Padden/D. Nolan)

Finance, Personnel & Asset Management – 9th November 2022 – (Padden/D. Nolan)

Planning & Traffic – 4th October 2022 – (Adams/Padden)

Planning & Traffic – 1st November 2022 – (Adams/Padden)