

**HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 at 7.30pm**  
**\*(Public Forum at 7.30pm)**  
**Large Front Room**  
**Town Hall, South Lane, Hessle**

**MINUTES**

Present: Councillors Adams, Davison (Vice-Chairman, Full Council), I. Hardy, Keillor, Nolan, Pickering, Toogood and Walker.

Clerk: Mrs K Cooper

Apologies: Cllrs Bovill (Chairman), P. Hardy (Vice-Chairman), Harrison, H. Hogan, Langdale and Sutton  
Mr Paul Hogan & Mr Bob Carroll (Non-voting Advisory Members)

**134451 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.**

**134452 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.**

**134453 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

(Adams/Walker)

**RESOLVED** to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

**134454 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

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

**There were no Chairman's Communications.**

**134455 POLICE MATTERS:**

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

Councillor Nolan enquired about the Police surgeries not being held at the Town Hall any more and the Clerk confirmed that according to the information provided in the monthly news release, they have moved to All Saints Primary School.

(Adams/Davison)

**RESOLVED** that the latest information/figures are received and noted.

**134456**

**ERYC**

a) Hessle Town Bus Service

To receive an email received from Chris Mottershaw, ERYC Transport Commissioning Manager confirming that East Riding Council have received more funding from the Government to support local bus services. He is asking if Hessle Town Council would be interested in ERYC supporting and funding another weekday to the Hessle Town Bus service from April 2024 to March 2025 and if so, which additional day would be best.

(Davison/Pickering)

**RESOLVED** that whilst the Town Council would welcome another day, Councillors would like to undertake a consultation with residents and that this item is therefore deferred to the Planning & Traffic Committee for final decision of the preferred day.

b) ERYC Council Tax Support Review Panel

To receive a letter from ERYC confirming that they are currently undertaking a review panel enquiry into its local council tax support scheme. Hessle Town Council is invited, as a council tax preceptor, to submit any evidence which we consider relevant to the panel's work. The key criteria that the review panel is considering and which the Council may want to base a response are listed in the letter.

(Davison/Pickering)

**RESOLVED** that the letter is received and noted. Councillor Pickering as Ward Councillor is already going to feedback evidence to ERYC regarding the local council tax support scheme and will update members at the next Full Council meeting.

c) Hessle Foreshore Tidal Flood Defence Scheme

To receive and note the email received from the Assistant Principal Engineer for the Glass Wall Flood Defence at Hessle Foreshore, confirming that the walls and glass will be jet washed and cleaned in the spring and the existing damaged glass panels will also be replaced in the spring.

(Davison/I. Hardy)

**RESOLVED** that the email and information is received and noted.

**134457**

**BANKING HUB:**

To receive a report from the Clerk following the Teams meeting held with Melissa Whittaker, Cash Access UK Community Engagement Officer, Mr Bob Carroll and the Clerk on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January regarding the proposed Banking Hub for Hessle.

(Davison/Adams)

**RESOLVED** that the report is received and noted. The Clerk will keep the Council informed of progress with updates received from Melissa Whittaker.

**134458**

**WOODFIELD LANE BRIDGE:**

To receive a further email from National Highways regarding Woodfield Lane Bridge following the letter sent with our concerns following the incident in September 2023.

(Pickering/Chair)

**RESOLVED** that the email is received and noted.

**134459**

**TOWER HILL MEMORIAL PARK – CLLR VIV PADDEN:**

Councillor David Nolan would like to ask members to discuss and consider a suitable tribute for Cllr Padden in Tower Hill Memorial Park.

(Nolan/Toogood)

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council dedicate a memorial bench to Councillor Padden in the sunken garden area with an appropriate plaque.

**134460**

**FINANCE MATTERS:**

a) Precept Demand 2024/2025 following Budget Committee meeting held on 10/01/2024;

**RECOMMEND** to Full Council that the precept amount for 2024/2025 be set at the sum of £330,374.00 which equates to £61.10, a £12.44 (25.57%) increase for a Band D property and that this follows the line by line calculations carried out by those members of the Budget Committee present on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and that the Chairman and Clerk sign the ERYC Local Precept Demand Notice accordingly. Copies of the Budget Summary, Analysis and Reserves, together with notes outlining key points in the Budget are enclosed for perusal.

(Pickering/Adams)

**RESOLVED** that following the Budget Committee meeting discussions and agreement by all the members present at that meeting, Hessle Town Council accepts the Recommendations that the precept amount for 2024/2025 be set at the sum of £330,374.00, which equates to £61.10 for a Band D property, which is an increase of £25.57% or £12.44 per annum (£1.036p per month) and that this followed the additional budget items requested and the line by line calculations carried out by those members of the Budget Committee present on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and that the Chairman and Clerk sign the ERYC Local Precept Demand Notice accordingly.

Councillor Nolan requested a recorded vote:

**Vote: 5 in favour – Cllrs Pickering, Adams, Davison, Keiller and Walker**

**0 against**

**3 abstentions - Cllrs Nolan, I. Hardy and Toogood**

b) (Adams/Pickering)

**RESOLVED** to confirm and accept the Minutes of the Budget meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

c) Schedule Nos: 291 and 292 (Receipts & Payments up to 30/11/23 & 31/12/23):

(Adams/Davison)

**RESOLVED** to approve the copies as given that were duly signed by the Chair of Finance, Personnel & Asset Management at the meetings held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 and 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

**134461**

**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.**

**134462**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

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

Environment & Open Spaces – 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – (Toogood/Davison)

Events & Communications - 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – (Davison/Adams)

Finance, Personnel & Asset Management – 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 - (Davison/I. Hardy)

Finance, Personnel & Asset Management – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – (Davison/Toogood)

Planning & Traffic – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – (Adams/I. Hardy)

Planning & Traffic – 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – (Adams/Davison)