HESSLE TOWN COUNCIL

Finance, Personnel and Asset Management Committee

Wednesday, 10th January 2024 at 7.00pm

(to be immediately followed by the Budget Committee meeting at 7.30pm)

Small Front Room Town Hall, South Lane, Hessle

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Davison (Chairman), Nolan (Vice-Chairman) and Toogood

Mr Paul Hogan & Mr Bob Carroll – (Non-Voting Advisory members)

Clerk: Mrs Kim Cooper

Apologies: Cllrs I. Hardy, Harrison and Sutton

134424 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

The Chairman will 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.

Councillor Toogood declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No. 134428 (b) as he is a Trustee for The Hourne Community Centre Development Trust.

Mr Bob Carroll declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No. 134428 (b) as he is a Trustee for The Hourne Community Centre Development Trust.

134425 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

(Toogood/Nolan)

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Finance, Personnel and Asset Management meeting held on 13th December 2023 and authorise the Chairman to sign.

134426 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:

None received.

134427 FINANCE MATTERS:

 a) <u>Income/Expenditure Reports to 31st December 2023:</u> (Nolan/Toogood)

RESOLVED to receive the financial reports as given.

b) Schedule No. 292 (Receipts & Payments)

(Nolan/Toogood)

RESOLVED to receive schedule 292 to 31st December 2023 as given and authorise the Chairman to sign.

c) Bank Transfers since the previous meeting:

(Nolan/Toogood)

RESOLVED to receive details of Bank Transfers and authorise the Chairman to sign.

d) Income from Town Hall lettings – Comparative figures:

(Nolan/Toogood)

RESOLVED to note the details as given.

e) Outstanding Invoices – Town Hall Lettings:

The Town Clerk confirmed that there are 16 outstanding invoices for payments for annual Allotment fees. These have been chased and will be monitored over the next two weeks.

f) Community Aid:

| Community Aid 2023/2024: | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Starter Grant | £250.00 |
| Equipment Grant | £250.00 |
| Maintenance Grant | £200.00 |
| Community Scheme Grant | £400.00 (one-off per annum) |

New applications: There were no new applications.

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TOWN HALL MATTERS/PROJECTS/FUTURE PROJECTS:

a) A Town Hall for the 21st Century

The Town Clerk provided a brief update on how the current building works are progressing and also confirmed to members that the heating will be completely turned off at the Town Hall from Friday (12th) for a number of weeks in order for the plumbing & heating company to begin removing and replacing the old pipes and radiators from the main hall and other meeting rooms.

b) Hessle Community Centre

Councillor Paul Toogood and Mr Bob Carroll provided an update on how things are progressing at the Community Centre. The Lease has not been sorted yet, but Mr Carroll has met with an architect who is putting together a priority schedule of work that needs to be done. The Food Bank Trust has been awarded a small Lottery Grant and Trustees are in the process of completing the required documentation and confirmation to National Lottery of how the grant funding will be spent. A meeting has been scheduled in order for the Trustees to discuss this further and to look at whether the funding could be used for some improvements to the Community Centre building.

c) Tower Hill Memorial Park

Councillor Nolan confirmed that the new Memorial has now been installed in the park.

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SKATEPARK/M.U.G.A./YOUTH SHELTER/NOTICE BOARD MATTERS:

a) Skate Park and M.U.G.A.

All in good order.

b) Notice Boards:

All in good order.

c) Bus Shelters:

All in good order.

d) Flagstaff in The Square/Flags:

All in good order.

(Chair/Nolan)

RESOLVED that items a) - d) are noted.

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CCTV

There were no further updates to report.

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PERSONNEL MATTERS:

In view of the possible special or confidential business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest, that the public and press be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

<u>Job Vacancies – Town Centre & Events Officer and Communications/Social Media & Admin Support Officer</u>

Both Job Applications have been advertised and the closing date extended for a further 3 weeks until Friday 26th January 2024. Two applications have now been received for the Communications & Admin Support Officer vacancy. Following the Elections in May and the recent passing of Cllr Padden, this Committee to now consider and appoint new members to the Working Group in order to deal with the selection process, interviews and appointment as agreed by this Committee at the meeting held on 9th February 2022.

(Nolan/Toogood)

RESOLVED that Councillors Davison and Pickering are appointed to the Working Group and that a meeting is arranged in order to discuss the timescale for reviewing applications received, questions determined, availability of members for dates for holding interviews and the subsequent selection process.