

HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

Minutes of a meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 1 July 2024 at 8pm in the Haxby Town Council office, Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby.

Present: Cllr. R. Pearson - Chairman
Cllr. G. Cockburn
Cllr. J. Secker
Cllr G. Stow

Also present: Alan Draper (town clerk) and three members of the public.

A20/2024 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED that apologies and the reason for absence were accepted from Cllr C. Hogg.

A21/2024 Chairman's welcome

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

A22/2024 Declarations of Interest

RESOLVED that there were no declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda other than those already declared in members' respective register of interests.

A23/2024 Public question time and participation

The issue of some overhanging branches on some trees on The Village was raised. The chairman confirmed that this would be discussed at agenda item 9.

A24/2024 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED to approve and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 June 2024.

A25/2024 Ethel Ward playing field and pavilion

a) Netball court – grant application to Sport England

RESOLVED to support the grant application from the netball club to Sport England.

b) Netball court - floodlights

The town clerk reported on problems with accessing the floodlights which should hopefully be resolved soon.

RESOLVED that the town clerk's report be accepted and approved.

c) Pavilion – fire risk assessment

RESOLVED that the town clerk be authorised to progress the recommendations in the fire risk assessment.

d) Basket swing

The town clerk reported that the basket swing has been removed from use, pending a professional inspection, due to concerns regarding the timber frame.

RESOLVED that the town clerk's report be accepted and approved.

e) Correspondence regarding play equipment

RESOLVED that the town clerk's response to the correspondence be approved.

A26/2024 Mancroft playing field

RESOLVED that:

- A bench be procured (maximum cost of £400) for the dog walking area at the Mancroft site.
- A second bench be procured in June 2025.

A27/2024 Bus shelters

a) New bus shelters

RESOLVED to note the new bus shelters procured jointly with City of York Council.

b) Bus shelter cleaning

RESOLVED to decline the offer from City of York Council for an alternative bus shelter cleaning service.

A28/2024 Trees – The Village

RESOLVED that the town clerk will liaise with City of York Council to trim the branches of the trees concerned.

A29/2024 Allotments

RESOLVED that:

- All current sheds/structures be allowed to remain in place, provided they are safe.
- From now on, the maximum size for sheds/structures will be 6ft (l) x 5ft (h) x 4 (w).
- Menfulness be allowed to have a bigger structure due to its community involvement.

A30/2024 Grass cutting – football pitches

RESOLVED that:

- There be three cuts in May and June.
- The town clerk be authorised to conduct the tender process.

A31/2024 Exclusion of public and press

RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it is in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw.

COMMITTEE IN PRIVATE SESSION

A32/2024 Ashwood Glade

RESOLVED that in the circumstances the matter rest but with a review if any further matters arise in the future.

A33/2024 Next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the committee will be held on 2 September 2024.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Signed Date
Chairman