

HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

Minutes of a meeting of Haxby Town Council held on Monday 10 March 2025 at 7.30pm in the Oaken Grove Youth and Community Centre, Haxby.

Present: Cllr R Pearson - Chairman

Cllr. G. Cockburn
Cllr I. Craven
Cllr I. Cuthbertson
Cllr T. Fisher
Cllr E. Pearson
Cllr J. Secker
Cllr G. Stow
Cllr C. Layfield
Cllr I. Thompson
Cllr A. Hollyer

Also present: Joanne Pratt (deputising for the town clerk)

197/2024 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED that apologies and the reason(s) for absence were received and accepted from:

- Cllr C. Hogg
- Cllr T. Richardson
- Cllr C. Cooper

198/2024 Chairman's welcome

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cllr. C. Layfield was welcomed to her first Town Council Meeting.

199/2024 Declarations of interest

Cllr T. Fisher declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 (allotment fees, due to also being a councillor for Strensall Parish).

200/2024 Public question time and participation

No matters were raised.

201/2024 Minutes – full council meeting

RESOLVED to approve and accept the minutes of the full council meeting held on 10 February 2025.

202/2024 Minutes – committee meetings

RESOLVED to accept the minutes and confirm the recommendations therein of the following committee meetings:

- Planning Committee – 3 February 2025
- Amenities Committee – 3 February 2025
- Finance Committee - 10 February 2025
- Staffing Committee- 10 February 2025
- Amenities Committee (extraordinary meeting)- 20 February 2025

A councillor asked for direction on who they should speak to if they have any questions, the Chair advised for them to speak the Town Clerk.

203/2024 New councillor- committee membership

RESOLVED Cllr C. Layfield to join Events committee and Amenities committee. It was noted that committees would be reconsidered in May.

204/2024 Training Policy

RESOLVED- the policy will be accepted.

205/2024 Allotment fees- review

RESOLVED- allotment fees will increase as per outlined from April 2026.

206/2024 Pavilion at Ethel Ward playing field

DEFERRED- until after the consultation on 02 April 2025

207/2024 Ethel Ward play area – new equipment

RESOLVED that:

- Agreement in principle for £20,000 to be used for new play equipment- subject to review by the finance committee.

208/2024 Payments – March 2025

RESOLVED that the payments for March 2025 be approved.

209/2024 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.

COUNCIL IN PRIVATE SESSION

210/2024 Legal proceedings

The Chair provided an update on the legal proceedings.

RESOLVED that:

- The claim against the council be defended.
- The advice of Eversheds LLP be taken regarding whether those named in the documents should be advised.
- Discussion process and costs

196/2024 Date of next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of full council will be held on Monday 14 April 2025 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Signed **Date**

Chairman