

Minutes of the meeting of Haxby Town Council held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at The Oaken Grove Community Centre, Haxby at 6.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllr M Guilford (Chairman) Cllr M Harrison  
Cllr D Rice Cllr M Preston  
Cllr T Carmichael Cllr N Wyatt  
Cllr I Craven Cllr T Richardson  
Cllr G Cockburn Cllr E Pearson  
Cllr B Brown Cllr K O'Sullivan

Also present: Alan Robertshaw And Veronica Dep

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Shaw sent her apologies prior to the meeting.

2. REASONS FOR ABSENCE APPROVED

The reasons for absence of those listed above were approved.

3. MINUTES

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021 were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.**

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT

None.

5. RESIGNATION OF A COUNCILLOR

Cllr Beverley has resigned and CYC have been informed. The Council awaits their permission to recruit a new councillor.

6. COMMUNICATIONS WITH YLCA AND OTHER REGULATORY BODIES

The Chairman advised the Council of his communications with YLCA re the recruitment of a replacement Clerk, which is ongoing.

7. CASH CHECK

**RECEIVED**

8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTReceipts to 31 August 2021

Welcome Nurseries		520.00
Barclays		1.20
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Payments to 31 August 2021

Haxby Memorial Hall - Rent	DP	304.00
NY Pension (July)	CHQ	1175.02
NY Pension (Aug)	CHQ	1099.00
HMRC (July)	CHQ	837.88
HMRC (Aug)	CHQ	964.88
Salaries	CHQ	3127.18
Sleightholm Landscapes	CHQ	168.00
Barclays	DP	12.50
R Fitch	CHQ	60.00
R Fitch	CHQ	60.00
Barclaycard	DD	610.88
BT	CHQ	34.32
Sports Turf Services	CHQ	1254.00
Complete Business Solutions	CHQ	15.97
E-on Next (July)	CHQ	526.83
E-on Next (Aug)	CHQ	564.20
HWYCA (Q1)	CHQ	3231.71
HWYCA (Q2)	CHQ	3231.71
Mark Horsley	CHQ	240.00
City of York Council	CHQ	80.00
HWYCA	CHQ	100.00
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Balance as at 31st July 2021		125001.36
Receipts		521.20
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Payments		17698.08
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Balance carried forward		107824.48
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**RECEIVED Financial Statement as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021.**

9. BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF TODDLERS PLAY EQUIPMENT

**RESOLVED** to budget £13,000 for the supply of new toddler play equipment. The previous budget allocated was £10,500, which has now increased due to higher timber costs. The difference will be met from staff savings and redirected monies from the veranda plus a £5,900 grant from CYC.

10. BUDGET FOR THE NEW FISCAL YEAR

Councillors were reminded to suggest projects for the coming year to be considered before the November Meeting of the Council. The provision for an adjustment to the precept was discussed.

11. POLICE WARD REPORT

**RECEIVED**

12. STAFFING COMMITTEE UPDATE

It was reported to the Council that the process for the recruitment for a new Clerk/RFO is underway. The position would remain at 30 hours a week initially and would be looked at again post recruitment, following a staffing hours review by YLCA. The need for an administrative assistant was discussed.

13. HAXBY TRADERS' ASSOCIATION

No update.

14. REQUEST A MEETING FOLLOWING THE RECENT DISCHARGE OF RAW SEWAGE INTO THE RIVER FOSS

Mr Robertshaw spoke to the Council to ask for its support in requesting a public meeting with Yorkshire Water, the Foss Drainage Board and CYC to explain why thousands of gallons of raw sewage were recently discharged into the River Foss at Landing Lane. The Council and members of the public would like to know what happened, how much it cost to rectify the problem and how the wider issue of drainage in Haxby is to be dealt with in the future.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk will contact Yorkshire Water, the Foss Drainage Board and CYC to invite them to attend a public meeting. The public will be informed of the meeting by notices on the noticeboard, website and social media pages.

15. RECEIVE A REPORT ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Ms Veronica Dep presented a report on environmental issues and how to make Haxby a "green" town. It was suggested that the Churches, schools and the Council could work together on future projects like the Plant a Tree for the Jubilee scheme. The report was discussed and the possibility of forming a working party was mentioned. It was also suggested that the Church could liaise with the local primary schools to raise awareness of the issues and introduce the Plant a Tree scheme.

16. TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC FOR THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEM

**RESOLVED**

17. CODE OF CONDUCT

No necessary actions.

18. WHITE ROSE UPDATE

**RECEIVED from YLCA.**

19. CITIZENS ADVICE YORK

**RECEIVED**

20. RECREATIONAL OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

**RECEIVED minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021. RESOLVED that Cllr Rice will stand down to allow Cllr Cockburn to take his place on the Committee.**

21. STAFFING COMMITTEE

**RECEIVED minutes of the meetings held on 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> August and 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

22. PLANNING COMMITTEE

**RECEIVED minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

23. MATTERS FOR INCLUSION

The Chairman reminded councillors that matters for inclusion on the agenda for the next Full Council Meeting should be with the Clerk no later than seven days prior to the next meeting. (Standing Order 9b).

The next meeting will start at 7.30pm and the Clerk will inform the Oaken grove Community Centre of the later start time.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

Chairman .....

**(These Minutes are displayed 'unsigned' and are subject to correction at the next Full Council Meeting.)**