

HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

Minutes of a meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 5 February 2024 at 8pm in the Haxby Town Council office, Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby.

Present: Cllr. G. Cockburn – Vice-chairman
Cllr. E. Pearson - Chairman
Cllr. R Pearson
Cllr T. Richardson
Cllr. J. Secker
Cllr G. Stow

Also present: David Blakemore (representative of Haxby Town FC), Matt Preston (representative of Haxby Town FC), Liz Henley (representative of Haxby Netball Club) and Alan Draper (town clerk).

At the request of the chairman, the vice-chairman chaired the meeting.

A57/2023 Apologies for absence

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

A58/2023 Chairman's welcome

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

A59/2023 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, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 Part III and the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

A60/2023 Public question time and participation

There were no members of the public present, other than the representatives of the respective sports clubs.

A61/2023 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED to approve and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 4 December 2023.

Cllr T. Richardson abstained.

A62/2023 Ethel Ward playing field and pavilion

a) Feedback from the full council meeting held on 15 January 2024

RESOLVED that:

- The town clerk be authorised to obtain a condition report for the pavilion.
- City of York Council be asked if any s106 funds are available.
- The working party to meet in two weeks' time to discuss plans for the pavilion.
- The matter of volunteers be deferred for the time being.

b) Feedback from the working party and sports clubs

It was reported that funding is still being sought for the netball court.

c) Fees/charges to sports clubs

It was confirmed that the sports clubs are content to pay fees as happened prior to the pandemic.

RESOLVED that the matter of fees/charges be (informally) discussed at the working party and (formally) referred to the Finance Committee.

d) Replacement of play equipment (including Mancroft)

RESOLVED that:

- Residents be consulted (via schools, social media etc) as to what play equipment they would like.
- Post consultation, companies be invited to quote to replace the play equipment.
- In the meantime, the town clerk be authorised to arrange the necessary repairs of the current play equipment.

A63/2023 Noticeboards

RESOLVED that quotes be obtained to replace seven noticeboards, six of which will be open with two panels and a lockable one with three panels.

A64/2023 Refuse bins

RESOLVED that this item be deferred.

A65/2023 Hitching rail

RESOLVED that:

- The quote to repair/replace part of the hitching rail be accepted but without any painting.
- Quotes be obtained to paint the entire hitching rail.
- Consideration be given to possibly extending the hitching rail to assist with the prevention of unlawful parking.

A66/2023 Power washer

RESOLVED that a power washer be hired on one occasion for a maximum duration of one week, with feedback on its efficacy to be reported back to the committee.

A67/2023 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

A68/2023 Netball court – insurance claim

The town clerk reported on a claim submitted by the council in respect of an incident in December 2023 whereby a vehicle hit the netball court fencing.

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

A69/2023 Land encroachment

RESOLVED that the town clerk write to the property owner(s) concerned to confirm that boundaries should be in accordance with the deeds.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm.

Signed Date
Chairman