

Horwich Town Council

Council meetings held in the
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NOTICE

A meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Horwich on Monday 13 November 2017 commencing at 7.30pm.

AGENDA

1. Chair to outline fire safety evacuation procedure.
2. To submit apologies for absence and accept the reasons.
3. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 9 October 2017.
4. To receive an update from Ged Kelly, Capital Programme Manager, Bolton Council Department of People Services on the development of the new Chorley New Road CP School.
5. To remind Members to make a declaration concerning any matters to be discussed during the meeting of which they have an interest.
6. Public Participation: members of the public present may put questions or make observations regarding matters in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affect the Parish. Maximum period 15 minutes.
7. To note the minutes of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Planning Advisory Group held on 17 October 2017 including a report of the meeting of the Communication and Engagement Sub Group held on 20 September 2017.
8. To approve a change of date to the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee from 8 January 2018 to 15 January 2018.
9. To approve a new lease document with Horwich Heritage for continued sole use of the Heritage Centre for a further six years from 1 January 2018 at a cost of £250 plus VAT.
10. To undertake and approve the Council's annual risk assessment and health and safety policy 2017 -2018.

11. To undertake and approve the Council's annual review of the effectiveness of internal audit 2017 -2018.
12. To approve financial support of £2,500 to Horwich Music Festival in 2018, subject to formal approval of the Council's budget for 2018 -2019.
13. To approve financial support of £1,500 to the Events Team of St Elizabeth's Church for Cedar Avenue Village Green Fete in 2018, subject to formal approval of the Council's budget for 2018 – 2019.
14. To receive an update on progress on work to the memorial benches and the town crest outside the Public Hall.
15. Accounts for payment – schedule attached.
16. Town Clerk's Report – for information only:
 - a. Horwich Music Festival: feedback/monitoring form and additional information for 2017 event.
 - b. LALC: annual accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017.
 - c. Rivington and Blackrod High School: consultation re application to reduce pupil admission numbers from 318 to 300 from September 2019.
 - d. La Garenne Colombes: enquiry about twinning opportunity with Horwich.
 - e. Brazley Community Centre: feedback/monitoring form for grant award of £300.
17. Reports from representatives.
18. To approve the date of the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee as 11 December 2017.

C. Hutchinson, Town Clerk

