

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in Room 3, Horwich Community Centre, Beaumont Road, Horwich on Tuesday 28 February 2023 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: S. Chadwick (in the Chair), I. Aldcroft, M. Brady,
S. Denton, D. Grant, S. Rock, C. Rotheram, G. Stone.
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson
3 members of the public

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

TC 4181 The Town Mayor outlined the procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

TC 4182 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Baines and Wright.

TO REMIND MEMBERS TO MAKE A DECLARATION CONCERNING ANY MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING OF WHICH THEY HAVE AN INTEREST:

TC 4183 None.

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:

TC 4184 Resolved to move out of Committee to allow members of the public to speak.

Paul Salveson and Julie Levy from the South East Lancashire Community Rail Partnership presented an update on the Parkway to Rivington Bus Service which had been partly funded by a grant from Horwich Town Council in 2022. It was reported that it had been a success with great feedback from users, carrying 1,000 passengers and opening up different journey patterns with a low £1 fare, donated to Rivington Heritage Trust. Going forward it was hoped, with the support of Horwich Town Council to build up support for the service by getting other organisations such as United Utilities and TfGM involved. The Rivington Bus gives an opportunity for families without cars from deprived areas to visit Rivington for the first, providing an inclusive service enabling people to enjoy the physical and mental health benefits of going to the countryside.

Resolved to move back into Committee.

The Chair advised that Members could discuss the matter of support as an agenda item at the next meeting on 13 February. Town Clerk to email a grant application form to the Rail Partnership for funding in 2023.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 26 JANUARY 2023:

TC 4185 Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 26 January 2023.

TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 26 JANUARY 2023:

TC 4186 Resolved to note the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 26 January 2023.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CIVIC AWARDS AND CIVIC SIGNS SUB COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 FEBRUARY 2023.

TC 4187 Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the Civic Signs Sub Committee held on 13 February 2023.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 4188	Resolved to approve the accounts for payment as amounting to £ 9,440.57	
	Blacksheep Business Communications* (Phone & internet provision 01/12/22 – 28/02/23)	27.31
	Campaign to Protect Rural England (Annual membership renewal)	36.00
	Namesco Ltd (Renewal of Cpanel starter for www.horwich.gov.uk)	145.07
	Tameside MBC – GMPF (Pension contributions Feb)	2,045.40
	HM Customs & Excise (PAYE tax month 10)	2,186.79
	Transfer to Salaries and Wages Account	5,000.00
	Payment to HMRC was authorised out of committee and to Namesco Ltd in accordance with LGA 1972 s142.	

TO APPROVE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AS 23 MARCH 2023:

TC 4189 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as 23 March 2023, subject to availability of the Council Chamber.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

Chair.....

Date.....

