

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Horwich Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 22 June 2023 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: I. Aldcroft (in the Chair), R. Bamforth, S. Burke, G. Campbell, S. Chadwick, V. Rigby, S. Rock, C. Rotheram, J. Scoble, J. Walton, S. Williamson.
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

TC 4216 The Deputy Town Mayor outlined the procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

TC 4217 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Grant and McKeon.

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

TC 4218 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 4219 None.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 25 MAY 2023:

TC 4220 Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 25 May 2023.

TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 25 MAY 2023:

TC 4221 Resolved to note the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25 May 2023.

TO APPROVE THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, BALANCE SHEET AND SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2023:

TC 4222 Resolved to approve the income and expenditure account, balance sheet and supporting statement for the year ending 31 March 2023.

TO APPROVE THE LOCAL COUNCILS, INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARDS AND OTHER SMALLER AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2022/2023 SECTION 1 – ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2022/2023

TC 4223 Resolved to approve the Local Councils, Internal Drainage Boards and other Smaller Authorities in England Governance and Accountability Return 2022/2023 Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2022/2023

TO APPROVE THE LOCAL COUNCILS, INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARDS AND OTHER SMALLER AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN SECTION 2 – ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2022/2023

TC 4224 Resolved to approve the Local Councils, Internal Drainage Boards and other Smaller Authorities in England Governance and Accountability Return Section 2 – Accounting Statements

TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK ON PROVISION OF PLAY/YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN HORWICH 2023 – 2024:

TC 4225 A report had been circulated to all Members. Resolved to receive the Town Clerk's Report on provision of play/youth activities in Horwich 2023 – 2024.

TO CONSIDER A PROPOSAL THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL SUBMITS AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO THE LEVELLING UP COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP FUND (ROUND 3) FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROTECTING LOCAL ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE:

TC 4226 Resolved to approve the proposal that the Town Council submits an expression of interest to the Levelling Up Community Ownership Fund (Round 3) for the purposes of protecting local assets of community value.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 4227 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment as amounting to £ 16,823.07.

Blacksheep Business Communications* (Phone & internet provision 01/04/23 – 30/06/23)	27.46
NALC (Registration fee for Local Councils (Award Scheme)	60.00
HR Solutions (Monthly HR retainer)	173.88
Leach Briely Accountants (Payroll services to 31.05.23, auto compliance services, real time initiative compliance services, submission of year end declaration to HMRC for tax year end 05.04.23)	420.00
Completion of internal audit to 31.03.23	516.00
Completion of internal audit for year ended 31.03.23 for combined accounts of Horwich Town Council and Horwich Community Centre	720.00
Tameside MBC – GMPF (Pension contributions June)	2,044.21
HMRC – authorised out of committee (PAYE tax month 2)	2,663.37

Transfer to Salaries and Wages Account 10,000.00

Payment to Leach Briely Accountants was made in accordance with Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
ON 20 JULY 2023:

TC 4228 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council
as 22 June 2023.

The meeting closed at 7.22 pm.

Chair.....

Date.....