

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 21 November 2019 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: G. Stone (in the Chair) I. Aldcroft, M. Baines, J. Bostocksmith, S. Burke, A. Coward, K. Denton, S. Denton, D. Grant, S. Rock, S. Rotheram, P. Wright.
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson
Councillor K. McKeon and Councillor R. Silvester, Bolton Ward
Councillors for Horwich North East.
12 members of the public.

TOWN MAYOR TO OUTLINE FIRE SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:
TC 3827 The Town Mayor outlined the procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:
TC 3828 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillor Brady and Councillor Chadwick. An apology for lateness was accepted from Councillor Rock.

TO REMIND MEMBERS TO MAKE A DECLARATION CONCERNING ANY MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING OF WHICH THEY HAVE AN INTEREST:
TC 3829 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 3830 Resolved to move out of committee to allow a member of the public to speak.

Councillor Silvester informed members that photograph of the blue plaque recently installed at the Public Hall in memory of Bob and Barbara Ronson had been included on the 'Links in the Chain' website www.boltonmayors.org.uk

Councillor Silvester also provided an update on the allocation of monies from the sale of Pickups Field, due to be decided at the next meeting of Bolton Council on 27 November. He expressed the view that the full amount of £500k should be released to Horwich specifically for the purpose of replacing the loss of the playing field. It was suggested that an approach to the golf club to purchase part of the course to protect it from future development could be made. or else drainage improvements to facilities at Green Lane to prevent footpath flooding. Councillor Silvester urged all ward councillors representing Horwich to vote in favour of the release of all monies from the sale of Pickups Field to be allocated specifically for the replacement of lost green space in Horwich.

Resolved to return to Committee.

Councillor Silvester was thanked for his contribution to the meeting and it was noted that there was a requirement for clarification of ownership of the golf course

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 24 OCTOBER 2019:

TC 3831 Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 24 October 2019.

TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 24 OCTOBER 2019:

TC 3832 Resolved to note the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 24 October 2019.

TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON 11 NOVEMBER 2019:

TC 3833 Resolved to receive the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 11 November 2019.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 3834 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment as and amounting to £1,210.59 as follows:

Tameside MBC - GMPF	
(Pension contributions Oct 2019)	£1,210.59

TO CONFIRM THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AS 19 DECEMBER 2019:

TC 3835 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as 19 December 2019.

The meeting closed at 7.27 pm.

Chairperson..... Date.....

