

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 22 September 2022 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: S. Chadwick (in the Chair), I.Aldcroft, M. Brady, J. Bostocksmith, S. Burke, S. Denton, D. Grant, S. Rock, G. Stone, S. Williamson,
Deputy Town Clerk, C. Morris

TO HOLD A ONE MINUTE SILENCE IN MEMORY OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN:

TC 4130 A one minute silence was held in memory of Her Majesty The Queen.

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

TC 4131 The Town Mayor outlined the procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

TC 4132 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Baines, Coward, Rotheram 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 4133 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 4134 None.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 18 AUGUST 2022:

TC 4135 Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on 18 August 2022.

TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 18 AUGUST 2022:

TC 4136 Resolved to note the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 18 August 2022.

TO APPROVE SENDING A LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE ON BEHALF OF HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL:

TC 4137 Resolved to approve sending a letter of condolence to Buckingham Palace on behalf of Horwich Town Council.

TO CONSIDER A REQUEST THAT HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL RECORDS THE CONGRATULATIONS TO SOPHIE WALTON AND OLA ABIDOGAN, MEMBERS OF HORWICH RMI HARRIERS ON THEIR RESPECTIVE ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE WORLD UNDER 20 ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS AND COMMONWEALTH GAMES:

TC 4138 Resolved to consider a request that Horwich Town Council records its congratulations to Sophie Walton and Ola Abidogan, members of Horwich RMI Harriers on their respective achievements in the World Under 20 Athletics Championships and Commonwealth Games.

Sophie Walton had reached the 200 metres final of the World Under 20 Athletics Championships. Her time in the semi-final would have also qualified her for the Commonwealth Games 200 metres final.

In the Commonwealth Games 100 metres Para (T45/T47), Ola Abidogan took the bronze medal to go with the bronze he won at the 2012 Paralympics.

TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM HORWICH HERITAGE FOR GRANT FUNDING OF £2,000 FROM SPORTS, SOCIAL AND CULTURE BUDGET TO ASSIST IN THE RUNNING OF ITS RANGE OF ACTIVITIES IN HORWICH FOR 2022/2023:

TC 4139 Resolved to consider a request from Horwich Heritage for grant funding of £2,000 from Sports, Social and Culture budget to assist in the running of its range of activities in Horwich for 2022/2023.

TO RECEIVE THE LOCAL COUNCILS, INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARDS AND OTHER SMALLER AUTHORITIES ENGLAND, ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022, EXTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT AND NOTICE OF CONCLUSION OF AUDIT:

TC 4140 Resolved to receive Local Councils, Internal Drainage Boards and Other Smaller Authorities England, Annual Governance and Accountability Return for year ended 31 March 2022, External Auditors Report and Notice of Conclusion of Audit.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED: FROM CANCELLED FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES 12 SEPTEMBER 2022

TC 4141 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment as amounting to £ 14,423.71

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| Direct Workwear (Caretakers uniform) | 39.36 |
| C. Hutchinson (Petty cash) | 50.00 |
| JRB Enterprises (Dog waste bags) | 151.62 |
| <u>LGA 1972 s142</u> Namesco (Renewal of gov.uk domain name for 2 years) | 186.99 |

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| Franking Sense (quarterly copy count charges) | 234.84 |
| Leach Briely Accountants (Training for new accounts package) | 540.00 |
| VAT refund 01.01.22 – 30.06.22 | 3,220.90 |
| Transfer to Salaries and Wages | 10,000.00 |

Members queried the cost of the dog waste bags and asked the Deputy Clerk to do a cost comparison on similar products.

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED:

TC 4142 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment as amounting to £ 4,627.13

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| Blacksheep Business Communications * (Phone and internet provision 01/07/22 - 30/09/22) | 27.96 |
| Business HR Solutions* (Monthly HR retainer) | 188.28 |
| National Capital Finance (Quarterly rental – xerox C450) | 277.36 |
| National Capital Finance (Quarterly rental – Ricoh IM C2000) | 351.00 |
| Tameside MBC – GMPF (Pension contributions August) | 2,075.38 |
| HMRC (PAYE month 5) | 1707.15 |

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED –
SUPPLEMENTARY LIST:

TC 4143 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment as amounting to £ 1,116.00

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| LGA 1972 s144/s137 Bolton Council (Cost of temporary TRO Winter Hey Lane Or special events on Saturday of every month 01/11/2022 – 01/04/2023) | 1,116.00 |
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TO APPROVE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AS
20 OCTOBER 2022:

FG 4144 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as 20 October 2022.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.

Chair.....

Date.....