

**Policy and Planning Committee Meeting
8 July 2021**

Present: Councillors Dodson, G Eccles, J Eccles, Hardacre, Hird, Hirst, Kenyon, Middleton, Pringle, A Westmorland, G Westmorland, Wilson, Womersley and the town clerk.

Five members of the public were in attendance.

103 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Resolved that Cllr J Eccles be elected chair for the ensuing council year.

104 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Resolved that Cllr Middleton be elected vice-chair for the ensuing council year.

105 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All committee members were in attendance.

106 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations other than those already stated in members' respective register of interests.

107 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 April 2021 be approved.

108 PARKING PROBLEMS, WAKEFIELD ROAD, KINSLEY

Resolved that Cllr Womersley is looking into this matter and he has arranged a meeting with officers from WMDC Highways on 26 July 2021.

109 BRASS BAND CONCERT, HEMSWORTH WATER PARK

Resolved that this item be deferred.

110 COVID – GENERAL REVIEW OF COUNCIL OPERATIONS

The town clerk reported on the government's latest COVID restrictions.

Resolved that:

- The town clerk's report be noted and approved.
- Having conducted a review, the COVID secure measures in place are sufficient.
- A further general review to be held in due course and/or when circumstances change and/or when the last stage of lockdown lifting is confirmed by the government.

111 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

The town clerk reported on the (anonymized) freedom of information requests received.

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to respond accordingly to the freedom of information requests.

112 SANDYGATE FOOTBALL FACILITY – PLANNING APPLICATION

Visit Hemsworth Water Park and Playworld for a great family day out

Resolved that this item be deferred until after 26 July 2021.

113 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

Resolved that in view of the confidential nature of business to be transacted, it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

114 SUBJECT ACCESS REQUEST

The town clerk reported on an (anonymized) subject access request received.

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to respond accordingly to the subject access request, in accordance with legal advice from Darren Finlay.

115 HSE

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to reply to the correspondence from the Health and Safety Executive.

116 ICO

The town clerk reported on two (anonymized) complaints received via the Information Commissioner's Office.

Resolved that the town clerk be authorized to respond accordingly to the complaints, in accordance with legal advice from Darren Finlay.

The meeting closed at 20:15.