

**Town Council Meeting
21 September 2023**

Present: Councilors Bates, Conway, Dodson, Fernie, Hardacre, Kendall, Ogunade, Oldroyd, Stephens, Whitehead the acting town clerk and the deputy town clerk.

Eighteen members of the public were in attendance.

This meeting was simultaneously livestreamed and recorded via Zoom.

135 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr McGinnies and Cllr Middleton.

Resolved that the respective reasons for absence be approved.

136 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

137 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND 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.

138 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Resolved that the payment of accounts for September 2023 be approved.

139 TENANCY AT THE WATERPARK

Resolved that the report be noted.

140 INCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved that members of the public and the press be re-admitted to the meeting following the conclusion of the consideration of business of a confidential nature.

141 TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Resolved that the minutes of the council meeting held on 7 September 2023 be approved.

142 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Resolved that the payment of accounts for July 2023 be noted.

143 INCOME

Resolved that the income report be noted.

145 GRANTS

Resolved that a grant of £500 to 13th/18th Hussars (QMO) Heritage Association be approved.

146 Working Groups

a) Resolved to form a Water Park working group which will meet with the current fishing working group.

b) Resolved that the update from the asset register working group be noted.

c) Resolved to form a financial planning working group.

147 NOTICE BOARDS

Resolved that the update on the notice boards be noted.

148 BOILER REPLACEMENT AT HEMSWORTH WATER PARK

Resolved that the report be noted that quotes be sought to replace the heating system at Hemsworth Water Park, with tenders received to be reported to the next council meeting.

149 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members of the public raised the following matters:

- The installation of notice boards
- A payment to Wakefield Council
- Councillors' attendance at LP21 consultation
- Working groups.

The meeting closed at 19:45.