

**Town Council Meeting
05 December 2024**

Present: Councillors Bacon, Conway, Fernie, Hardacre, Kendall, McGinnies, S Middleton, V Middleton Ogunade, Oldroyd, Rushmer, Stephens, Whitehead, the town clerk and the management advisor.

Ten members of the public were in attendance.

122 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

123 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

124 TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Resolved that the minutes of the council meetings held on 15 October 2024 and 7 November 2024 and the extraordinary council meetings held on 10 October 2024 and 29 October be approved with specified alterations.

Resolved that the minutes of the council meeting held on 5 September 2024 be deferred.

125 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

a) Resolved that the minutes of the policy, planning and staffing committee meeting on the 17 October 2024 be approved.

b) Resolved that the minutes of the finance committee meeting held on 17 October 2024 be approved.

c) Resolved that the minutes of the leisure and recreation committee meeting held on 21 November be approved.

126 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Resolved that this item be deferred.

127 INCOME

Resolved that the council's income for October 2024 be approved.

128 COMMITTEES

a) Resolved that Cllr Kendall be appointed to the policy, planning and staffing committee.

b) Resolved that Cllrs McGinnies and Middleton be appointed to the leisure and recreation committee.

129 DONATIONS

Resolved that a donation of £200 be made to every primary school in the parish and £100 to every nursery.

130 COUNCILLORS

Resolved to add the following to the relevant policy (to be determined by the town clerk): "Councillors should not enter the council's offices unless they are invited to do so by a member of staff".

131 FINANCES

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

The council's financial position was discussed.

132 Public Question Time

Members of the public raised the following matters:

- Room hire
- Accounts on the website
- Solar panels
- Complaints

133 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.

134 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Cllr Conway requested a recorded vote.

For: Cllrs Oldroyd, Hardacre, Kendall, Ogunade, Stephens, Middleton, Whitehead and McGinnies.

Against: None

Abstentions: Cllrs Conway and Bacon.

Resolved that the payment of accounts for December 2024 be approved.

135 INVESTIGATION

Resolved that an investigation be conducted into bullying and harassment of staff.

The meeting closed at 20.45