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NOTICE OF A COUNCIL MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Hemsworth Town Council to be held in the main hall, Hemsworth Town Council Community Centre, Bullenshaw Road, Hemsworth, commencing at 7.15pm on 8 January 2026 for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Andrew Firth
Town Clerk

*NB: This meeting will be broadcasted simultaneously via 'Zoom',
the details of which are at the foot of this agenda.*

BUSINESS

01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence and to consider and approve the reasons for absence.

02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda.

03 CO-OPTION

To co-opt a new member of Hemsworth Town Council.

04 MINUTES

a) To approve the minutes of the council meeting on 6 November 2025 as detailed in the minute book (2025-26).

b) To adopt the minutes of the finance committee meeting on 6 November 2025 as detailed in the minute book (2025-26).

05 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

To confirm the payment of accounts for October and November 2025.

06 INCOME

To review the council's income for October and November 2025.

07 BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2026/27

To approve the budget for the financial year 2026/27 and to authorise the town clerk to issue the formal precept request to Wakefield Council.

08 PEDALOS

To consider purchasing additional pedalos for Hemsworth Water Park.

09 EVENTS PANEL

To consider the terms of reference for the events panel and the schedule of meetings for the events panel in 2026.

10 DONATIONS

To consider school Christmas donations.

11 MEMORIAL BENCH

To approve the placement of a memorial bench at Hemsworth Water Park.

12 ALLOTMENTS

To consider implementing a surcharge for water at the allotments.

13 PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

To approve the payment of accounts for December 2025 and January 2026.

14 POLICIES

To consider replacing the existing "Abuse, Intimidation or Rudeness Policy" (approved at the Policy, Planning and Staffing Committee on 17 October 2024) with the revised Policy on Unacceptable Behaviour by Members of the Public.

15 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

To receive questions from members of the public and to receive any reports from community meetings.

16 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Members of the public and the press to be excluded for the consideration of business a confidential nature, as per the Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960.

17 CONTRACTS

To discuss the café/bar contract.

18 SPECIAL MOTION – BANK STREET

To consider a special motion to reverse the decision made October 2 2025, to sell Bank Street via auction with a reserve of 80% of the value and to consider offers from private bidders via private sale.

CIRCULATION

Councillors Bacon, Bates, Conway, Darby, Dodson, Fernie, Hardacre, Kendall, McGinnies, S Middleton, V Middleton, Rushmer, Stephens and Whitehead.

Andrew Firth
Town Clerk
02 January 2026

To remotely attend via the Zoom app:

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