

HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

Minutes of a meeting of the Finance Committee held on Monday 16 December 2024 at 4.30pm in the Council Office, Memorial Hall, Haxby.

Present: Cllr. I. Cuthbertson - Chairman
Cllr C. Cooper
Cllr G. Stow

Also present: Alan Draper (town clerk).

F34/2024 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED that apologies and the reason(s) for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs R. Pearson and I. Thompson.

F35/2024 Chairman's welcome

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

F36/2024 Declarations of interest

Cllr I. Cuthbertson declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 6a (Grant application from Haxby Playgroups).

Due to item 6a being potentially inquorate, the clerk advised that a dispensation be granted to Cllr I. Cuthbertson to enable the business to be transacted.

RESOLVED to accept the clerk's advice and to grant a dispensation to Cllr I. Cuthbertson in respect of agenda item 6a to enable the business to be transacted.

F37/2024 Public question time and participation

No members of the public were present.

F38/2024 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED to accept and approve the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 21 October 2024.

F39/2024 Grant applications

a) Application from Haxby Playgroups for learning resources for children

RESOLVED that a recommendation be made to the full council to approve the grant application for £600.

b) Application from Haxby Memorial Hall for replacement doors in the hall

RESOLVED that a recommendation be made to the full council to decline the grant application for up to £8,105 due to insufficient funds in the council's grants budget.

c) Application from Haxby and Wigginton Youth and Community Association for the provision of youth services in 2025-26

RESOLVED that a recommendation be made to the full council to approve the grant application for £12,508.75.

F40/2024 VE Day 80

RESOLVED to approve expenditure of up to £300 to celebrate VE Day 80 on 8 May 2025.

F41/2024 Budget and balances update

The town clerk provided a budget update at 30 November 2024 as follows:

- Expenditure: 108%
- Income: 112%

The town clerk reported that the expenditure was over budget primarily due to the legal advice fees and the payments made on behalf of the cemetery and that when those two factors are taken into account, the expenditure is at 87.7%, so still over budget but to a much lesser degree.

The town clerk also reported that the income was higher than budgeted for due to the grant from the National Lottery for the disabled play equipment at the Ethel Ward site.

The town clerk provided a balances update at 30 November 2024 as follows:

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| Opening balances (1/4/24) | | | |
| Business Premium Account | | | 52,743.59 |
| Community Account | | | 50,879.54 |
| Tracker Account | | | 40,891.25 |
| Total | | | 144,514.38 |
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| | <i>Net</i> | <i>VAT</i> | <i>Gross</i> |
| Receipts | 232,968.33 | 0 | 232,968.33 |
| Payments | 195,906.78 | 14,787.22 | 210,694.00 |
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| Closing balances (30/11/24) | | | |
| Business Premium Account | | | 53,138.82 |
| Community Account | | | 72,452.23 |
| Tracker Account | | | 41,1987.66 |
| Total | | | 166,788.71 |

RESOLVED that the town clerk's reports be received and approved

F42/2024 Budget 2025-26

RESOLVED that the following recommendations be made to the full council on 13 January 2025:

- A budget of £242,029.
- A total precept of £181,895.
- A band D figure of £55.95.

F43/2024 Next meeting

RESOLVED that the committee will next meet at 5pm on Monday 10 February 2025.

The meeting closed at 5.20pm.

Signed Date

Chairman