



HUNSTANTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting in Chamber of the
General Purposes Committee on Wednesday 8th June 2022
This meeting commenced at 7.15 pm, following on from
Finance & Property Management Committee Meeting

Present: Cllrs; Smith (Chair), Howard, Ruston, Bishopp, Easeman, McKimm, Winnington, Murray, Eden, Corby, Williamson

Also Present: Cllrs: Johnston, Nice, not on this committee (no voting rights).

Also Present: Jan Roomes, Town Clerk

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies of absence from Cllr Croucher & Cllr Kidd.

2. **Election of Deputy Chair**

Cllr Ruston proposed Cllr Williamson to be Deputy Chair for the General Purposes Committee for 2022/23. Seconded Cllr Corby (unanimous).

Cllr Williamson to be Chair of the General Purposes Committee for 2022/23.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no members declarations of interest.

4. **Minutes - confirmation of**

The minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on 9th March 2022 were confirmed and signed as a true record. Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Eden (unanimous).

5. **Terms of Committee**

Members reviewed the Terms of the General Purposes Committee.

RECOMMENDATION Cllr Winnington, seconded Cllr Bishopp (unanimous) to accept the Terms & Conditions for the General Purposes Committee with one amendment to be made by the Clerk.

6. **Code of Conduct**

Clerk proposed a new Code of Conduct based on the LGA recommended document.

RECOMMENDATION (Cllr Bishopp, seconded Cllr Williamson (unanimous) HTC to adopt the new Code of Conduct document.

7. **Members Declarations of Interest**

Members agreed (unanimous) the wording under 'Declarations of Interest' be withdrawn and discussed after the May 2023 elections.

8. **Dress Code**

Consideration was given to the draft HTC Dress Code Policy.

RECOMMENDATION Cllr Murray, seconded Cllr Ruston (9 for, 1 abstention) not to adopt the proposed Dress Code Policy. Councillors agreed 'Formal Dress' be worn at Full Council meetings.

9. **Highways & Byways**

Members agreed to compile a list for a Road Traffic Order to be put forward at a later date.

10. Northfield Allotments

Cllr Ruston & Cllr Eden gave an update on the Northfield Allotments.

11. Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Murray reported the rules were quite strict and Council was not permitted to discuss the NP until the Referendum was complete.

Cllr Corby stated it would have been helpful if an explanatory note had gone out with the voting slips.

12. Emergency Plan

Cllr McKimm gave a brief report from the recent meeting. Clerk to circulate full report to all members.

Meeting closed 8.04 pm