

RUSHDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2022 AT RUSHDEN HALL, RUSHDEN COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillor: David Jenney - Chairman

Councillors: Philip Humphrey Adrian Winkle
David Coleman Gill Mercer
Andy Mercer Janet Pinnock
Melanie Coleman Cameron Clarke

In attendance: Paul Wilcox

170/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Philip Humphries declared a 'bias' interest, on agenda item 4 Approval of Payments, and left the room when this item was discussed and took no part in discussion and voting thereon.

171/23 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Richard Lewis, Adrian House, Kaye Rawlins, Steven North, Paul Harley, Tracey Smith and Barbara Jenney

172/23 MINUTES

The minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting of 30th August 2022 had been previously circulated to members and it was

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 30th August 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

173/23 APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS

Members had been circulated with details of payments made since 31st August 2022 amounting to £76448.92

RESOLVED

That payments amounting to £76448.92 be approved (as attached to these minutes).

174/23 SHOP FRONT GRANT

Members considered the following Shop Front Grant application:

a) Crystelle Belle Ltd

RESOLVED

To defer the Grant application whilst awaiting further information regarding previous funding and confirmation on exact costs incurred.

175/23 KNIFE AMNESTY BIN

Members received an update on the newly installed Knife amnesty bin in Hall Park to go along with the existing one in Spencer Park. Members requested if an update could be provided in 6 months as to the number of Knives collected from both Spencer Park and Hall Parks bins.

176/23 HIGH STREET AND BUSINESS WORKING PARTIES

Cllr Philip Humphries gave members a brief update on the High Street and Business working Parties and reminded members of the planned consultation event being delivered by Troy Planning on Thursday 3rd November.

177/23 REMEMBRANCE DAY

The proposed plans for the Remembrance Sunday Parade and service were discussed, it was suggested the filming of the event would be good opportunity to showcase this to the wider community if possible.

Members were reminded the Parade would be starting this year In Hall Park as opposed to Robinson Road

178/23 WARM ROOMS

Members discussed the warm rooms and agreed to trail this from the first Friday in November until Christmas Cllr Janet Pinnock agreed to co-ordinate the group with support from fellow Councillors and Officers of the Council.

RESOLVED

That the warm rooms project be trialled on Friday afternoon from Friday 4th November until Christmas

179/23 WORKS IN PROGRESS/PROJECTS

WARD	Location	Job Description	Contractor	Start Date	Completion Date
Sartoris West Ward	Rushden Hall	Interior Painting Offices	In House – on going	September 2022	
	Hall Park	Sensory Garden Additional Benches and fencing	various	October 2022	
	Rushden Hall	Stone buttress adjacent to car park	RWP Construction	July 2022	Completed

	Hall Park	Interactive Hall Park and Sensory Garden Guide Town Guide Interactive Map complete	Pilot Marketing Town Guide final now completed and on website Sensory Garden work in progress	June 2022	Completed
	Rushden Hall	Installation of computer network system for new offices	CSR Digital Ltd	September 2022	Completed
	Rushden Hall	Installation of new phone system	In Reach Communications	October 2022	
	Hall Park	Walled Garden internal wall	J Swann Stonework's	August 2022	
	Hall Car Park	Resurfacing car park near Sensory Garden entrance – disabled parking	TBC		
	Hall Park	Resurfacing footpath and Wymington Road entrance	TBC		

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Spencer North Ward	Spencer Park	Tennis Court Management Gates	LTA	October 2022	
	Spencer Park	Bowling Pavilion Refurbishment	TBC	TBC	
	Spencer Park	Annual tree maintenance	Turney's	October 2022	
	Spencer Park	Resurfacing footpath Spencer Road – bowls pavilion	TBC		

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Sartoris East	Cemetery	Tree works	Turney's	September 2022	Ongoing
	Cemetery	Memorial Wall construction	PAD Builders	September 2022	
	Jubilee	Art work on pavilion	Mark Pacan	June 2022	
	Jubilee	Play equipment	TBC	TBC	
	Jubilee	Zip Wire	TBC	TBC	
	Bamburgh Close New Site	Remedial landscaping Works	AE Cook	September 2022	Completed

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Pemberton	Rose Avenue	Removal of concrete standing – proposal for Community Garden?			
	Rose Avenue	Replacement of Spring Toy	TBC	November 2022	

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Bates	Manor Park	Revised Master Plan	Hinton Cook	October 2022	Completed
	Sports site	Master Plan	Hinton Cook	Submitted to ENC December 2019	Completed
	Manor Park	Revised Viability Study	King West	October 2022	
	Ascot Drive	New play equipment	Play Ground supplies	June 2022	Completed

WARD	Location	Job Description	Contractor	Start Date	Completion Date
Hayden Central	Area off Orchard Place car park – Welcome Back Fund	Deep clean, refurb bin store, gable wall re paint Brick Wall repairs	Inter County TBC	March 2022 October 2022	Completed
	Area adjacent to Iceland Car Park – Welcome Back Fund	Additional planting and removal of fence	Various	November 2022	