

RUSHDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 31ST MAY 2022 AT RUSHDEN HALL, RUSHDEN COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillor: David Jenney - Chairman

Councillors:	Richard Lewis	Adrian Winkle
	Gill Mercer	Andy Mercer
	Janet Pinnock	Barbara Jenney
	Paul Harley	Tracey Smith
	Cameron Clarke	Kaye Rawlins

Town Clerk: Vivienne Prodger

24/23 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

It was resolved that Cllr David Jenney be appointed as Chairman for the Policy and Resources Committee for the year 2022/2023

25/23 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED

It was resolved that Cllr Philip Humphrey be appointed as Vice Chairman for the Policy and Resources Committee for the year 2022/2023.

26/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Philip Humphrey declared a 'bias' interest, on agenda item 6 Approval of Payments, and left the room when this item was discussed and took no part in discussion and voting thereon.

27/23 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Sarah Peacock, Steven North, Philip Humphrey, David Coleman, Melanie Coleman and Adrian House.

28/23 MINUTES

The minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting of 10th May 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 10th May 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

29/23 APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS

Members had been circulated with details of payments made since 23rd March 2022 amounting to £102,157.71

RESOLVED

That payments amounting to £102,157.71 be approved (as attached to these minutes).

30/23 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Members had been circulated with a copy of the Annual Governance Statement (section 1) for 2021/2022 and the Town Clerk went through this in detail. After consideration it was

RESOLVED

To recommend that the Annual Governance Statement scrutinised by the Policy & Resources Committee, be approved by Full Council at the meeting on 21st June 2022.

31/23 ANNUAL ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2021/2022

a) Annual Accounting Statements (Section 2) 2021/2022

Members had been circulated with Accounting Statements for 2021/2022 and these were considered.

After consideration it was

RESOLVED

To recommend that the Accounting Statements, scrutinised by the Policy & Resources Committee, be approved by Full Council at meeting on 21st June 2022

b) Cash and Investment Reconciliation and Earmarked Reserves

Members had been circulated with details regarding Cash and Investment Reconciliation and Earmarked Reserves as @ 31st March 2022

RESOLVED

That this information be noted

32/23 ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

Members considered the Internal Audit Report for year ending 31st March 2022

RESOLVED

That the Internal Audit Report for the year ended 31st March 2022 be accepted

33/23 NALC STAR COUNCIL

The Town Clerk reported that she had submitted an application for the NALC Star Council awards which Rushden Town Council's achievements over the last twelve months.

The submission was limited to 600 words but a substantial number of photographs had also been submitted. Shortlisted councils will be informed by the end of July.

34/23 WORKS IN PROGRESS/PROJECTS

WARD	Location	Job Description	Contractor	Start Date	Completion Date
Sartoris West Ward	Rushden Hall	Exterior Painting Garages	In House – on going	May 2022	Completed
	Hall Park	Sensory Garden Paths constructed, stone retaining wall built, her garden built. Planting to commence April 2022	various	January 2022	June 2022
	Rushden Hall	Stone Pillars at Park entrance	Various	March 2022	Completed
	Hall Park	Interactive Hall Park and Sensory Garden Guide	Pilot Marketing	March 2022	
	Hall Park	Walls in gravel car park	Various	May 2022	
	Hall Park	Walled garden wall	J Swann Stoneworks	June 2022	

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Spencer North Ward	Spencer Park	Tarmac Footpaths	John Clark	April 2022	Completed
	Spencer Park	Bowling Pavilion artwork	Adrian Turner	TBC	

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Sartoris East	Cemetery	Improvements to footpaths	John Clark	April 2022	Completed
	Cemetery	Memorial Wall construction	PAD Builders	June 2022	

	Jubilee	Art work on Pavilion	Mark Pacan	June 2022	
	Jubilee	Play equipment	TBC	TBC	
	Jubilee	Zip Wire	TBC	TBC	

WARD	Location	Job Description	Contractor	Start Date	Completion Date
Pemberton	Rose Avenue	Removal of concrete standing	Quotes to be obtained	TBC subject to cost	

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Bates	Manor Park	Revised Master Plan	Hinton Cook	May 2022	June 2022
	Sports site	Master Plan	Hinton Cook	Submitted to ENC December 2019	Completed
	Manor Park	Revised Viability Study	King West	June 2022	
	Manor Park	Sound Assessment	Hinton Cook	September 2021	Completed
	Manor Park	Drainage Survey	MK Drainage	April 2021	Completed
	Ascot Drive	New play equipment	TBC	June 2022	

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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 June 2022	
	Area adjacent to Iceland car park – Welcome Back Fund	Cleared and planted	Turneys/Philip Read	March 2022	Completed

Summer planting and display May 2022

Trees for Jubilee and Councillors to arrive end May

4 Jubilee benches arrived – installation w/c 31st May

Chairman