

**POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

Meeting of the Town Council  
Meeting Room Old Courthouse George Street Pocklington  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7pm

**Present:** Councillors D. Hodgson (chairman), Anand, Burton, Duke, Green, R. Hodgson, Jones, Madden, Perry and Pink

**Attending:** There were 8 members of the public, Cllr P. West and Cllr D. Sykes East Riding of Yorkshire Council Ward Councillors for Pocklington Provincial in attendance.  
Pocklington Town Council Staff Gordon Scaife - Town Clerk and Claire Findlay – Deputy Town Clerk.

1. Election of Chair (Mayor)  
Cllr Pink nominated Cllr D. Hodgson 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Madden. Cllr Green nominated Cllr Jones 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Duke.  
The vote was tied at 5 votes each. Cllr D. Hodgson had the casting vote as the current chair and voted for himself to be chair.  
Cllr D. Hodgson was elected to serve as Mayor.

2. To accept apologies for absence.  
Cllr Bruton (Health), Cllr Cooper (Holiday) and Cllr Sharpe (Holiday)

3. Declarations of interest.

Cllr D. Hodgson and Cllr R. Hodgson declared a pecuniary interest in item 9 the Mayor's expenses allocation.

Cllr Pink declared an interest in 6. Representation on outside bodies as he is a member of the Allotment Association Committee to which a Council representative is appointed.

4. To elect a Vice-Chair (Deputy Mayor)

Cllr Anand proposed Cllr Green to be the vice-chair. Cllr Green initially declined the nomination but accepted on the understanding that it would be reviewed after 6 months. This was to allow another councillor to step up to this position. Cllr Green agreed to this amendment 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Pink and unanimously agreed.

5. To decide on committee representation on Council committees.

Cllr D. Hodgson proposed that for the first 6 months due to the large number of new councillors that everyone should be a member of all the committees except for Personnel 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Green. Cllr R. Hodgson proposed that the membership of the Personnel Committee should be Cllrs Cooper, R. Hodgson, Jones, Madden and Pink 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Jones and agreed unanimously.

6. To decide on council representation on outside bodies.

Cllr Green proposed Cllrs Cooper, Anand and Duke to be the Council's representatives on the Pocklington Arts Centre Management Team 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Jones and agreed unanimously.

Cllr R. Hodgson proposed Cllrs Burton, Madden and Pink to be the Council's representatives on the Pocklington Heritage Partnership 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Duke and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Pink proposed Cllrs Duke, Green, Burton and Madden be the Council's representatives on the Neighbourhood Plan Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Duke and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Jones proposed Cllr R. Hodgson and Cllr Jones to be the Council's representatives on the Burnby Hall Museum and Gardens Trust 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr R. Hodgson and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Pink proposed Cllr Burton and Cllr Perry to be the Council's representatives on the Pocklington and Market Weighton Crime Prevention Panel 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Green and agreed unanimously.

Cllr R. Hodgson proposed Cllr Jones and Cllr Pink to be the Council's representatives to the western district of East Riding and North Lincolnshire Local Council Association 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Perry and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Jones proposed Cllr Pink to be the Council's representative on the Pocklington and Wolds Gateway Partnership 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Green and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Green proposed Cllr Perry to be the Council's representative to Pocklington School to serve as a school governor 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Jones and agreed unanimously.

Cllr Pink proposed Cllr Cooper be the Council's representative to Pocklington Sports and Social Club 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr R. Hodgson and agreed unanimously.

7. To confirm the appointment of the chaplain for the council.

Cllr Green proposed Phil Bradish to be the Council's chaplain for this year 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Pink and agreed unanimously.

8. To consider the donations to be given to charities and groups in this financial year. The clerk confirmed the budget figure set for this financial year is £2500. Groups can apply for a maximum grant of £300 and are limited to one grant a year.

Cllr R. Hodgson proposed that £2,500 be set aside for grants for groups within the town to apply to the Town Council for 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Jones and agreed unanimously.

9. Consider the Mayor's expense allocation.

Cllr D Hodgson and Cllr R Hodgson withdraw from the meeting room whilst this agenda item was discussed.

The Clerk confirmed that £2000 had been approved in the budget for the Mayor.

Cllr Perry proposed the Mayor's allowance for the year should be £2000 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Pink and agreed.

10. To confirm the appointment of the internal auditor.

Cllr Green proposed the current auditor be appointed to undertake the internal audit for the Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Jones and agreed.

Meeting closed 19:38