

WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 28TH NOVEMBER 2022.

PRESENT: D McGeown (Town Mayor), A Younge (Dep Town Mayor)D Wilkinson,A Price, G Wroe, A Jackson,N Maher, L Reilly, C Reilly, and J Speight.

Two members of the public

TC 198/22 Fire Safety Information.

The Town Mayor explained the Fire Safety Procedure.

TC 199/22 To receive apologies for absence and accept reason.

Resolved that the following apologies for absence be accepted.

Apologies. M Cox (meeting) M Tighe (personal) D Bullock (sick) C Kirkman (work) B Eckersley Fallon (work) R Brennan (sick) L Maher (work)

TC 200/22 To read the notice convening the meeting

The Town Mayor read the notice.

TC201/22 To record any declarations in any item to be discussed

Cllr David Wilkinson in item 5 as a member of Bolton Planning committee and on planning application 14858/22 as the person is known to him.

Cllr C Reilly in item 9 The Hub as he works there.

Cllr L Reilly planning application 14951/22 as she is a member of Westhoughton Golf Club

Cllr A Price in grant application by Westhoughton Inner Wheel as his wife is a member.

TC 202/22 A member of the public asked a question in relation to council documents.

TC 203/22 To Discuss Planning and Development Matters.

The Town Council Requested that its comments on the following planning applications placed before Bolton Planning Department and Committee

Application No 14877/222 The Council objects to the proposed development with regard to the previous application and appeals for this site which have been refused. The council believes the private driveway is not suitable for the development and there are insufficient medical and educational facilities available in Westhoughton to cope with the increase of new residents.

14858/22 The council supported the application

13852/22 The council referred this planning to planning officers and that the impact on street scene and adjacent properties be looked into.

14414/22 The council referred this application to planning officers for any possible impact on adjacent properties.

12737/22 The council referred this application to planning officers for any possible impact on adjacent properties

14914/22 The council referred this application to planning officers for any possible impact on adjacent properties.

15002/22 The council referred this application to planning to consider the history of planning activity on the site.

15008/22 The council had no objection to this application.

14851/22 The council had no objection to this application and the conversion to residential.

14988/22 The council referred to the recommendation of the tree officer.

TC 204/22 To note the minutes of the Planning and Finance and General Purposes Committee on the 10th October 2022.

TC 205/22 Grant Application

The council approved a grant of £500 to Westhoughton Inner Wheel

Friends of Eatock Lodge will be deferred to the next meeting for information from Bolton Council.

TC206/22 Warm Room Grants were approved.

The Hub £500

St James Cricket Club £200

TC 207/22 To Approve Accounts for payment

The accounts listed were approved for payment

TC 208/22 Items listed in the Town Clerk's report were noted.

TC 209/22 The issue of school places in Westhoughton be raised with Bolton Council's Children Services and Bolton's Planning Department.

TC 210/22 Date of the next Town Council meeting 12th December 2022