## HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Horwich Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Monday 8 May 2025 commencing at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: V. Rigby (Chair), I Aldcroft, G. Campbell, S,

Chadwick, D. Grant, J. Scoble, K. McKeon, C. Sears,

J. Walton, P. Wright, S. Rock.

Town Clerk, M Brady 1 member of the public

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE: TC 4952 Councillor Rigby outlined the procedure.

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTE THE REASON: TC4953 Apologies from Councillors Bamforth, Burke, and Williamson were received and noted.

TO REMIND MEMBERS TO MAKE A DECLARATION CONCERNING AND MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING OF WHICH THEY MAY HAVE AN INTEREST:

TC 4954 Councillor Grant declared an interest in item 8 but would be taking part in the discussion and voting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT MAY PUT QUESTIONS OR MAKE OBSERVATIONS REGARDING MATTERS IN RELATION TO WHICH THE TOWN COUNCIL HAS POWERS OR DUTIES OR WHICH AFFECT THE PARISH, INCLUDING PLANNING APPLICATIONS. MAXIMUM PERIOD 15 MINUTES.

TC 4955 None

TO APPROVE THE MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 14 APRIL 2025.

TC 4956 Resolved to approve the minutes of the Town Council held 14 April 2025.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON 24 APRIL 2025.

TC 4957 Resolved to approve the minutes of the Town Council held 24 April 2025.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION WORKING PARTY HELD ON 30 APRIL 2025.

TC 4958 Resolved to approve the minutes of the Public Consultation Working Party Town held 30 April 2025.

TO AGREE HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL WRITE TO BOLTON COUNCIL REQUESTING AN IMMEDIATE ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION BE PLACED OVER HORWICH BY BOLTON MBC, THIS WILL SUBJECT ANY FUTURE PROPOSED HOMES OF MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY (HMO) TO FULL PLANNING APPLICATIONS ACROSS THE TOWN, BRINGING THEM INTO LINE WITH OTHER CHANGES OF USE AND DEVELOPMENTS.

TC 4959 Resolved a letter be sent to Bolton Council requesting an immediate article 4 direction be placed over Horwich by Bolton MBC.

## TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED: TC 4960 Resolved to approve the accounts for payment amounting to £5683.00

Payee	Summary	Amount
Namesco **	(Renewal of cPanel Starter monthly for <a href="https://www.horwich.gov.uk">www.horwich.gov.uk</a> March/April)	31.18
Bromilow's Florist	Wreath for VE Day 80 Service	77.00
Sage UK *	Accounts software May	100.80
HR Solutions *	HR Retainer May	173.88
CDS Events	Shared cost of VE Day Illumination Rivington Pike	176.00
Image-Tech Sign Services	Updating 3 Honours Boards in Council Chamber	240.00
LALC/NALC Combined Membership	Annual Subscription 2025/26	2004.14
Peak Fabrications (Bolton) Ltd	Refurbishment of crest & new frame	2880.00

Payments marked \* were made by direct debit, \*\* authorised out of committee.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AS 22 MAY 2025.

TC 4961 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Town Council as 22 May 2025.

The meeting closed at 7.46pm.

Chair	Date