

## GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 2024

**PRESENT:** Councillor J Lewis in the Chair

Councillors S Arif, D Coupar,  
L Cunningham, W Dixon, J Lennox,  
J Pryor, A Rontree, R. Stephenson and  
I Wilson

### 10 Appeals against refusal of inspection of documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

### 11 Exempt Information - possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no resolutions to exclude the public.

### 12 Late items

There were no late items.

### 13 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

### 14 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors E Flint, S Golton and W Kidger.

Councillor T Smith was in attendance as substitute.

### 15 Minutes of the last meeting

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 24 July 2024 be approved as a correct record.

### 16 Proposed Community Governance Review of Horsforth Town Council

The report of the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment informed the Committee of correspondence from the Clerk to Horsforth Town Council requesting that a Community Governance Review be undertaken.

The review had been requested following changes to polling districts in the Horsforth ward of Leeds City Council during the polling district review undertaken in early 2024.

The Committee was required to take a decision as to whether a Community Governance Review should be undertaken.

Following a question from a Member, it was confirmed that there would be no financial implications and that there would be no changes to polling stations and details of polling arrangements would be set out in the review.

**RESOLVED –**

- (a) Approve that a Community Governance Review of Horsforth Town Council is undertaken
- (b) Approve the terms of reference and timetable at Appendix A

**17 Amendments to Elected Member Appointments to Outside Bodies**

The report of the City Solicitor sought consideration of amendments proposed to the Elected Member appointments to Outside Bodies last considered by the Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024:

- The Robert Salter Charity
- Environmental Protection UK
- Leeds Playhouse Theatre Board

With regard to the Robert Salter Charity, it was proposed that the Charity no longer be considered to meet a Strategic or Key role as set out in the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules any future appointments be delegated to the relevant Community Committee.

Members were also asked to consider a proposed amendment to the Outside Bodies Schedule with Councillor B Gettings replacing Councillor C Campbell on the Leeds Playhouse Theatre Board.

**RESOLVED –**

- a) Having considered the current position in respect of the Robert Salter Charity as detailed in paragraphs 5 to 11 and Appendix 1 of the report, the Committee determined that the Charity now fell within the Community and Local Engagement category of Outside Body and delegated future appointments to this Outside Body to the Outer West Community Committee as the relevant appointing body.
- b) To note that Environmental Protection UK has ceased to operate and this Outside Body will be removed from the schedule of organisations to which Council appoints elected Members.
- c) To note the information in respect of the Leeds Playhouse Theatre Board at paragraphs 15 to 18 of the report and to agree that Councillor B Gettings (Local Independents Party) replace Councillor C Campbell (Liberal Democrats) on the Leeds Playhouse Theatre Board for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

**18 Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Wednesday, 12 February 2025 at 11.00 a.m.