

**Meeting of the COST OF LIVING CRISIS COMMITTEE
held 25th OCTOBER 2022**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillors: Boggis, Guilfoyle, Needham, Stevens & Wood.

Clerk: J. Boom.

1. **APOLOGIES & SUBSTITUTES**
Cllr Fraser with Cllr Wood acting as a substitute.

See below.....Proposed by Cllr Stevens

Seconded by Cllr Wood

RESOLVED that: Cllr Needham be chair of this committee.

Proposed by Cllr Wood

Seconded by Cllr Boggis

RESOLVED that Cllr Stevens be deputy chair of this committee.

Cllr Guilfoyle declared a non-pecuniary interest as a volunteer at Calder Food Support.

Cllr Boggis declared a non-pecuniary interest as chair of Governors at Burnley Road school.

1. **DELEGATED POWERS & BUDGET**

The meeting reviewed and confirmed their understanding of the powers delegated to them along with a budget of £30K that has been allocated for this committee with powers delegated from full council as follows:

To decide and incur expenditure within budget on schemes and grant applications that support efforts to reduce the impact of the cost of living crisis on residents of Hebden Royd.

2. **HRTC REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES**

- a) Local Action Groups – Luddendenfoot & Calder Wards

Proposed by Cllr Stevens

Seconded by Cllr Guilfoyle

RESOLVED to nominate Cllr Boggis as the representative on the Luddendenfoot Ward Action Group.

Proposed by Cllr Guilfoyle

Seconded by Cllr Stevens

RESOLVED to nominate Cllr Needham as the representative on the Calder Ward Action Group.

- b) Anti – Poverty Steering Group

Proposed by Cllr Guilfoyle

Seconded by Boggis

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk and Cllrs Needham & Cllr Hayes as previously nominated by Full Council.

c) Food Poverty Network

The meeting agreed to not provide a representative at the moment but remain vigilant to their actions.

3.

POSSIBLE AREAS OF HRTC SUPPORT

The meeting considered the application form/guidance notes submitted for consideration and the principles contained within.

Changes were agreed and made along with the formal application form.

Proposed by Cllr Stevens

Seconded by Cllr Guilfoyle

RESOLVED to adopt the papers as amended.

These forms should be circulated and completed with the first meeting to be held on Monday 31st October at 1.30pm.

The forms should be circulated widely and the Local Action Groups to be included in this.

The meeting discussed the support of HRTC Staff with the options that a fund be created for staff to apply for or a standard payment made staff after application. This was rejected.

Proposed by Cllr Guilfoyle

Seconded by Cllr Stevens

RESOLVED to award an amount of £150 per member of staff for the period to the end of March 2023 as an employer supporting staff.

In line with many employers HRTC are providing all staff with a modest grant to help with the cost of living crisis recognising the challenges that are affecting us all. These payments will be made out of existing staffing budgets in December 2022.

A data set from the Anti-Poverty Steering Group specific to Hebden Royd should be sort to allow the creation of a base line from which to measure progress as the work of the committee develops.

Date of Next Meeting – Monday 31st October at 1.30pm for consideration of applications