

**Minutes of an Environment and Open Spaces Committee Meeting
of Northallerton Town Council held at 1.30pm on
Friday 24th February 2023 in the Town Hall**

Present: Cllr A Hugill, Cllr S Bell, Cllr Paul Cornfoot, Cllr A Eames and Cllr P Eames.

Also Present: S Garside, Assistant Clerk and A Robson, Clerk.

EOS 22/020 To receive and consider Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest
No Apologies or Declarations of Interest were received.

EOS 22/021 To consider if it is necessary to resolve to exclude members of the press and public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of any agenda items
It was resolved it was not necessary to exclude members of the press and public

EOS 22/022 To approve the minutes of the Environment and Open Spaces Committee meeting held on Friday 16th December 2022

It was resolved that the minutes of the Environment and Open Spaces Committee meeting held on Friday 16th December 2022 be approved

EOS 22/023 To update councillors on a review of the records relating to council owned amenities
Cllrs Hugill and Cornfoot had reviewed the maps and land registry documents with the Clerk. A new map with overlays is needed, detailing all areas under NTC management.

It was resolved that the Clerk will arrange for a CAD version of the mapping to be produced

Deeds also need to be reviewed, along with ownership of all sections of Bullamoor, the Church yard and tree area.

It was resolved this be progressed by the Clerk

EOS 22/024 To agree a meeting date and format for interested parties for all allotment sites
Following consultation in 2022 and the opening of a waiting list, it was confirmed that over Northallerton 100 residents are keen to have an allotment plot. As there are more people than plots, it will be important to manage expectations.

1. It was resolved that the Clerk will establish the criteria for the North Northallerton site from HDC

2. It was resolved that the list will be separated into sites and residents will be invited to attend a meeting to discuss formation of an allotment association for each of these

Councillors wished to note how positive these developments are for the town.

EOS 22/025 To consider progress of the Community Garden projects and agree NTC support for Incredible Edible Northallerton

Discussion took place around the success of the Applegarth community garden and upcoming development at Cherry Croft. An area at Ashlands was identified as a possible location for some planting and this will be discussed with the Incredible Edible team

It was resolved that support for the group will be given through staff time and with the land being made available as appropriate

EOS 22/026 To update councillors on progress made towards the ongoing management of the Town Square and Library areas

An outline of the Town Square responsibilities and costs was shared with councillors.

The Clerk is still awaiting NYCC Highways response to the licence, despite several calls and emails.

It was resolved that the Clerk will continue following this up and undertake the next steps as appropriate

EOS 22/027 To receive an update on the Pedestrian and Cycle Working Group (Active Travel)

Cllr Cornfoot gave a short summary of the working group meeting attended by Brompton, Romanby and NTC and NYCC officers. 4 routes have been prioritised and this will be a long term project. Romanby needs to continue to lobby for pedestrian/cycle access to underpasses. Limited budget means focus should be on one corridor initially to deliver this, then generate momentum for the others including work to incorporate 20's Plenty criteria.

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An event (during cycle awareness week) to raise awareness of potential improvements may be organised. Further meetings with the working group will take place to discuss next steps and consideration given to making requests for significant contributions from developers.

EOS 22/028 To agree the date and time of the next meetings

It was resolved that the next meeting will be held at 1.30pm on 14th April, 14th July, 13th October and 12th January 2024

Meeting closed at 14.42