



**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of  
Northallerton Town Council held at 7.00pm on  
Monday 17th July 2023 in the Town Hall, Upper Hall.**

**Present:** Cllr P Eames, Mayor; Cllr P Atkin; Cllr S Barber; Cllr S Bell; Cllr D Calvert; Cllr P Cornfoot; Cllr A Eames; Cllr A Hugill; Cllr C Hutson; Cllr J Hutson; Cllr M Holmes and Cllr G Ramsden.

**Also present:** Cllr C Dickinson and Cllr S Watson, NYC Ward Councillors; Sgt C Hughes, NYP; a member of the press and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

**23/032 Apologies**

All councillors were present.

**23/033 To Note any Declarations of Interest**

No Declarations Interests

**23/034 Public Participation**

No Members of the Public

**23/035 Minutes**

**It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 19th June 2023 be approved**

**It was resolved the minutes of the JBC meeting 7th March and draft minutes of 6th June be noted**

**22/036 Exclusion of the Press and Public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**

**It was resolved it was not necessary to exclude members of the press and public**

**23/037 North Yorkshire Police**

A report from North Yorkshire Police and Police Report Summary had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Discussion took place around the reporting methods of Violence Against a Person.

Cllr Hughes updated councillors that a spate of car thefts had taken place and a number of suspects have been detained. Some crime prevention work is being done locally. Anti Social Behaviour in Northallerton has reduced recently but, with the start of the school holidays, this will continue to be monitored closely. Sgt Hughes noted that Youthspace has a huge positive impact on the Young People in our community.

Cllr Atkin gave a short summary of the Police and Crime Panel work in the area.

An annual report from the Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP) has been received and will be circulated by the Clerk. Cllr Cornfoot gave a brief report from the local CAP meeting. He noted disappointment that some local retailers had failed the spot checks. Unfortunately the school survey has still not been done and this is causing frustration to the CAP. The Clerk will contact the leadership team at Northallerton School to ask if they need further support.

**23/038 To receive reports from Ward Councillors**

A report from Cllr Dickinson had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

Cllr Cornfoot asked if NYC will respond to the consultation process for Ticket Office Closures and Cllr Dickinson will check this and advise the Clerk.

Cllr Watson updated that the roundabout on Stokesley Road had been cut. He has attended the groundbreaking for the new school at North Moor Road, an Executive Headteacher has been appointed and a Sept 2024 phased opening is expected.

North Northallerton Sports Village will be inspected in the next few days and is expected to open in a few weeks.

Cllr Ramsden asked that both NYC Councillors respond to the ticket office closure consultation.

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Mayor

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**23/039 To receive the Mayor's Statement**

A Mayor's statement had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

Cllr Eames fed back on his discussion with the Mayor of Richmond, who agreed that it is important for NYC and RTC to attend the Area Constituency Committee (ACC).

Mill Hill School Auction of dotty pictures took place on 13th July and 3 lots were secured for the council to display. These represent an excellent part of the Imaginosity project which Councillors support. Cllr Barber was thanked for his involvement in this event which raised over £600 for charity. Children involved will be invited to see the pictures in situ in the Town Hall.

**23/040 Administration and Initiatives**

A report was circulated with recommendations from the Engagement and Events Committee regarding support for Youthspace. Councillors discussed the possibility of finding food from other sources, such as local supermarkets.

**1. It was resolved that the following actions will be undertaken:**

- Northallerton Town Council will provide a grant of £500 for food supplies
- Staff will advise councillors of specific items required, if they wish to donate
- The Clerk will share the termly forward plan, when this is received
- Lower Hall Kitchen Equipment will be checked by the Clerk and any items in need of replacement to be ordered to ensure an appropriate cooking facility is available to the group
- NTC will ask both NYC councillors if they will consider match-funding the NTC donation to Youthspace
- The Clerk will discuss with the Youthspace team the option of food being provided by local supermarkets

The Mayor shared recommendations from the Engagement and Events Committee regarding support for Northallerton Camera Club Calendar 2024.

**2. It was resolved that Northallerton Town Council will assist the Camera Club in the development of their calendar with some administrative support**

A response to the NYC Let's Talk Transport survey was considered, alongside the Local Transport Plan engagement process for stakeholders such as NTC. The elements of this include a survey, written response and focus groups. Cllr Cornfoot noted the importance of NTC being involved in all aspects of this process and should include Brompton and Romanby Parishes.

**3. It was resolved that Cllrs Cornfoot and Hugill will develop responses with neighbouring councils to arrange an initial submission to the survey and written response and to represent NTC on the focus group**

A draft communication to the Rail Delivery Group regarding potential Ticket Office closures had been circulated in advance. This questions the impact of the Northallerton closure and the significant reduction of staffing hours from 92 to 49 hrs per week.

The following comments were also noted for inclusion:

- Potential of vandalism at the station when this was unmanned
- Reassurance that the station is safe in a growing town
- Requirements for accessibility to cross country trains
- Importance of this valuable service in a rural area, especially the London connection as people travel a long way locally to join this
- This decision goes completely against the model for sustainable travel

**4. It was resolved that this template will be edited to include councillors comments and be submitted to the Rail Delivery Group and sent to the MP, Rishi Sunak, requesting his support**

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**23/041 Assets and Facilities**

It was confirmed that the date of opening for the Public Toilets will be week beginning 31st July. Councillors were updated on progress of decor on the exterior of the Town Hall, which has been refreshed to preserve the existing woodwork. The Clerk noted that the council IT provision had been successfully transferred to a cloud based function.

**23/042 Finance**

- 1) **It was resolved payments be approved and receipts noted**
- 2) **It was resolved that bank account balances be noted as below and bank reconciliations signed**  
Unity £ 43,432  
HSBC £163,840

**23/043 Planning**

Planning Applications were considered.

**It was resolved that councillors have no objections to these applications**

**23/044 To receive late correspondence**

*Emails for information have been circulated between meetings and require no further action.*

An update on the Cherry Croft community garden was shared.

**23/045 To receive items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting**

*Items to be added to the next agenda should be notified to the Clerk by midday on Monday 11th September 2023*

**23/046 Date of Next Meeting**

**It was resolved that the time and date of the next meeting is 7.00pm on Monday 18th September 2023**

**The meeting closed at 8.08pm**

Signed:  
Mayor

Date: