



**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of
Northallerton Town Council held at 7.00pm on
Monday 20th November 2023 in the Town Hall, Upper Hall.**

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

Also present: Cllr C Dickinson, NYC Ward Councillor; three members of the public; a member of the press and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

23/079 Apologies

It was resolved that apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr A Hugill

23/080 To Note any Declarations of Interest

Cllr Ramsden declared an interest in a planning application relating to his property.

23/081 Public Participation

1. A resident spoke regarding a planning application which impacts on the road where they live and which raises concerns. Northern Powergrid have been contacted and advised that they should be consulted and the resident has made a request for a site meeting by the planning authority.
Cllr Dickinson has requested that this application be considered by the Planning Committee and the decision for this will be made by the planning department.
The applicant also attended the meeting and noted that a redesign has been done and summarised these changes. They advised that an amended application has been submitted but this has not been received by NTC yet. The application will therefore be considered at the next meeting.

23/082 Minutes

- 1) **It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 16th October 2023 be approved**
- 2) **Draft minutes of the following committees were noted:**
 - a) Finance held on the 23rd October and 6th November 2023
 - b) Staffing held on the 23rd October

22/083 Exclusion of the Press and Public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

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 that it was necessary to exclude members of the press and public for 23/090 4 b Finance

23/084 North Yorkshire Police

- 1) A report from North Yorkshire Police had been circulated in advance of the meeting.
No trending data was provided with this report, so the Clerk will request this moving forward.
- 2) It was noted that the date of the next Community Alcohol Partnership meeting is 7th December.

23/085 To receive reports from Ward Councillors

A report had been circulated in advance from Cllr Dickinson and Cllr Watson.

Cllr Atkin asked where the monies that had been provided for a bus service in North Northallerton have gone, as this was handed over some time ago to NYC. It was reiterated that this was part of a legal agreement and that NTC should continue to look for the answer to this.

A Let's Talk Money consultation is underway and Cllr Dickinson was asked if there was going to be a stakeholder consultation.

23/086 To receive the Mayor's Statement

A statement had been circulated in advance of the meeting.



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23/087 Community Facilities

The Clerk had circulated a short update on the plans for increased allotment provision.

When the planned new plots are delivered this will bring NTC in line with national expectations for provision.

It was resolved that the Clerk be given delegated authority to progress the planning applications and consultations as per the report

23/088 Engagement and Events

1. To consider Planning Applications received.

Comments on ZB23/02176/FUL & ZB02177/FUL have been deferred as there has been an amended application. No further observations on planning applications.

2. To agree the council's response to the Community Involvement Consultation.

It was resolved that Cllr Cornfoot will review this and circulate feedback and it will be revisited on 18th December

3. To consider if the council should submit a response to the Let's Talk Money consultation as a body.

It was resolved that the council will not respond to this as a body, but as individual residents

4. To note the success of the Bonfire Night and Remembrance events and that debriefs will be via the Engagement and Events Committee. Councillors commented that the events were excellent and that the staff should be congratulated for their hard work. Thanks were also offered to councillors for their help. Further consideration will be given to the use of electronic payments to generate funds.

It was noted that feedback will be shared with the Engagement & Events Committee on 15th December

23/089 Environment and Open Spaces

1. Cllr Eames gave a short summary of the Climate Action Event on 28th October and the positive feedback received
2. Development of a Biodiversity Policy

It was resolved that the Environment and Open Spaces Committee will progress this policy at its meeting

23/090 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

- 1) HSBC £154,924
- 2) Unity £ 16,900
- 3) A full budget report and minutes of the Finance Committee meetings where the precept had been discussed had been circulated in advance of the meeting and discussion took place regarding this.

It was resolved unanimously to increase the precept requirement for the financial year 2024/2025 to £435,353

- 4) Payroll
 - a) National Joint Council Pay Award

It was confirmed that NTC will implement the National Joint Council Pay Award backdated to April

- b) See 23/095

23/0091 Staffing

The Clerk has recently completed a SLCC Project Management Course.

23/092 No late correspondence

23/093 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 December 2023

Community Engagement



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23/094 Date of Next Meeting

The time and date of the next meeting was confirmed as 7.00pm on Monday 18th December 2023.

19:48 Members of the Press and Public left the meeting

23/095 To consider 23/090 4 b Finance

It was resolved that the Clerk will receive a 1 scale point pay increment

The meeting closed at 19:57