

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Northallerton Town Council held at 7.00pm on Monday 18th December 2023 in the Town Hall, Upper Hall.

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

Also present: Cllr C Dickinson & Cllr S Watson, NYC Ward Councillors; a representative of North Yorkshire Police, a member of the press and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

23/095 Apologies

It was resolved that apologies for absence be received and accepted from CIIr A Eames and CIIr P Eames

23/096 To Note any Declarations of Interest

Cllr J Hutson declared a non pecuniary interest in items relating to Northallerton BID Cllr G Ramsden declared an interest in planning application ZB23/02177/FUL

23/097 Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

23/098 Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 20th November 2023 be approved

22/099 Exclusion of the Press and Public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 It was resolved it was not necessary to resolve to exclude members of the press and public

23/100 North Yorkshire Police

A report from North Yorkshire Police (NYP) had been circulated in advance.

ASB figures were discussed and it was clarified that these are none-crimes for the purpose of this report.

It was noted that NYP has supported Trading Standards in dealing with illegal vapes and counterfeit tobacco.

Recent local crimes have been investigated, arrests made and interventions put in place.

Graffiti has been and residents are encouraged to ring 999 if they notice the perpetrators.

Sgt Hughes noted the excellent events of Bonfire and Christmas and congratulated the TC for these.

The Community Alcohol Partnership meeting on 7th December was postponed.

23/101 To receive reports from Ward Councillors

1. A report had been circulated in advance from Cllr Dickinson.

Cllr Dickinson also congratulated NTC on a successful Christmas Event.

It was noted that coach parking is making a significant difference to the town.

Cllr Watson advised that there will be an additional CCTV camera, funded by local ward members, to cover the bridge and part of the Sports Village. Certain areas of the sports village are open and Cllr Hugill commented on how positive this is.

2. Area Constituency Committee

Cllr Bell and Cllr Hugill attended the meeting and Cllr Bell will circulate some notes. All associated documents are available on the NYC website.

23/102 To receive the Mayor's Statement

A statement had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

Cllr Cornfoot reiterated that every opportunity should be taken to continue pushing for the development of the former Grammar School site.

23/103 Community Facilities

The 15th December meeting was not quorate and will be rearranged.



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23/104 Engagement and Events

- 1. To consider Planning Applications received
 - a. ZB23/02351/MRC
 - NTC supports the idea of having a link between the site and the Willow Beck path but will request that adequate safety measures be in place.
 - b. ZB23/02176/FUL & ZB23/02177/FUL
 - Councillors agreed that there are no planning reasons to request refusal of this application, since the amendments and withdrawal of comments by other consultees. However, as a number of residents have been in touch, NTC will ask they take these matters into consideration.
 - ZB23/01033/FUL
 Amended plans don't show the path extension/pedestrian link suggested re road safety concerns therefore NTC wish to reinforce original letter contents.

It was resolved that the Clerk will submit comments to the planning authority

- 2. A report from Northallerton BID had been circulated in advance summarising their recent activities.
- 3. The council's response to the Community Involvement Consultation was confirmed and Cllr Cornfoot will submit this.
- 4. Draft minutes of the Engagement and Events meeting held on 15th December 2023 were noted.

23/105 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 £155,641.42
 - 2) Unity £ £18,669.14

23/106 Staffing

1) To note any staff and councillor training.

The Clerk has recently attended the NYC Local Plan Seminar.

Cllr Hugill is attending Introduction to Planning on 9th January.

23/107 No late correspondence

23/108 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 8th January

23/109 Date of Next Meeting

It was resolved that the time and date of the next meeting is 7.00pm on Monday 15th January

Best wishes were offered to all for a Happy Christmas and New Year

The meeting closed at 19:58