

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Northallerton Town Council held at 7.00pm on Monday 18th November 2024 in the Town Hall, Upper Hall.

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

Also Present: Cllr C Dickinson and Cllr S Watson, North Yorkshire Council (NYC) Ward Members and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

24/087 Apologies

It was resolved that apologies be received and accepted from Cllr S Bell and Cllr A Hugill.

24/088 Declarations of Interest

Cllr J Hutson declared a non pecuniary interest in items relating to Northallerton BID.

24/089 No Public Participation

24/090 Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 21st October 2024 be approved

24/091 Exclusion of the Press and Public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 It was resolved it was 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 item 24/100

24/092 Report from North Yorkshire Police

A report had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

24/093 Reports from Ward Councillors

A ward councillor report had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Once the library subway is repainted it will be monitored to try to find the perpetrators drawing on it. NYC, in discussion with Sgt Hughes, are considering the use of a mobile camera. Police are talking to some potential suspects regarding this and work is being done with schools to deter young people from graffiti. It was noted that NTC agrees it is a good idea to put a camera there.

Cllr Watson gave some verbal feedback from the Area Committee Meeting which had been held today.

- Northallerton Sports Village had been signed off, but remedial work is needed prior to handover.
- Home to school transport was discussed, this is difficult to determine and a further meeting will take place in January to agree next steps and will only be resolved when actual admission numbers are received.
- Emergency out of hours information was shared, in case of flooding.
- Negotiations are ongoing regarding EV charging units and reimplementing them using the Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) scheme. Northallerton Applegarth ones will be put back into service once a contractor is appointed, but this is likely to be next June.
- Ex Hambleton CCTV control centre needs to be relocated, following the closure of Stone Cross and an option appraisal of what should happen is underway.
- Cllr Cornfoot commented on the matter of the Community Resilience Plan and NYC position that it is most effective if each parish has its own, but is held by NYC.

24/094 To receive the Mayor's Statement

A statement had been received in advance of the meeting and Cllr Eames added how positive it is to have a good relationship established with the local press.

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24/095 Community Facilities

A meeting had been held between Councillors, staff and Committee Members of the Cemetery and Knotto Bottom Allotment Associations to review their operating procedures and offer support as required.

North Northallerton Allotments land has been signed over to NYC a draft lease received via NTC solicitor. Confirmation is required that NYC will clear the site and secure the sheds prior to handover before this is signed. It was resolved that the Clerk will progress this matter

24/096 Engagement and Events

A report from Northallerton BID had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Planning Applications were considered.

1. It was resolved that Northallerton Town Council objects to application ZB23/01033/FUL and the Clerk will submit this in writing

2. It was resolved that the council has no objections to the remaining applications

A summary of feedback from the recent NYC Parish Liaison Drop In had been shared with councillors. A further Parish Liaison meeting will take place on 20th November at 19:00.

Cllr Eames had been waiting for a response from the Community Resilience team for 4 weeks, this matter will be picked up at the EE Committee Meeting.

It was confirmed that the unveiling of the Halifax Memorial Stone and a dedication service will take place on 2nd December at 10:40, followed by refreshments in the Town Hall.

24/097 Environment and Open Spaces

It was resolved to plant a commemorative Canadian Maple tree at the site of the Halifax Memorial Stone

24/098 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 \pm 25,507.59
 - HSBC £224,237.73

24/099 Staffing

Two staff members had attended a seminar on Cemetery Management.

Cllr Cornfoot and the Clerk attended an information session regarding support for those seeking Asylum. It was noted that the team working with asylum seekers found the community in Northallerton positive and welcoming.

24/100 To consider an item of correspondence received following 24/056 2 and agree actions

This item was moved to the end of the agenda.

24/101 No late correspondence

24/102 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 9th December 2024. Budget and precept will be added to the agenda for December.

24/103 Date of Next Meeting

- 1. The time and date of the next meeting is Monday 16th December 2024 at 19:00.
- 2. The meeting closed at 20:00.

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Members of the press and public left the meeting.

24/104 To consider an item of correspondence received following resolution 24/056 2 and agree actions It was resolved that the Clerk will respond to the complainant to advise that the matter is concluded and no further communication will take place regarding it, in line with the Council's Vexatious policy

> Signed Mayor Date