



**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of  
Northallerton Town Council held at 7.00pm on  
Monday 16th December 2024 in the Town Hall, Upper Hall.**

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

**Also Present:** Two members of the public; Ft Lt L Kaye, Northallerton Air Cadets; two representatives of North Yorkshire Police (NYP); Cllr C Dickinson, North Yorkshire Council (NYC) and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

24/104 Apologies

**It was resolved that apologies be received and accepted from Cllr A Hugill**

24/105 To Note any Declarations of Interest

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

24/106 Public Participation

Residents raised the following:

- Schools - Northallerton College has been closed since 2021, why did this happen and what will the improved provision be. It was advised that a SEND school is planned for this site and work is underway towards this. The resident was advised to write to the NYC Executive Member with their other concerns about education.
- Public Transport goes through small villages but is not well used, especially the 74A/B. Cllr Dickinson confirmed that a study is underway, considering effective ways of connecting rural villages to the town.

Ft Lt Laura Kay attended the meeting to share an opportunity for NTC to increase its involvement with the Air Cadets. It was suggested that a Mayor's Cadet be established for Northallerton, using criteria the Council develops with an appropriate badge to recognise the chosen Cadet. It was agreed that NTC will work with the Air Cadets to facilitate this and the Clerk and Engagements and Events Committee will progress it.

24/107 Minutes

**It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 18th November 2024 be approved**

24/108 Exclusion of the Press and Public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

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

24/109 To receive a report from North Yorkshire Police

A report had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Discussion took place regarding levels of crime locally and the Officers advised that they would continue to offer support to local businesses regarding crime prevention. There had been no issues with recent Town Council events. NYP representatives were asked how the proposed CCTV camera relocation would impact them. They find that the current service is effective but 24 hour monitoring may be useful. Cllr Eames noted that Community Messaging is an excellent method of communication and well received.

A short verbal summary was shared from the Community Alcohol Partnership meeting. Youthspace wished to make a public acknowledgement of the support Malcolm Rowell, the Town Hall Caretaker, gives their group.

24/110 To receive reports from Ward Councillors

A report had been circulated in advance of the meeting and Cllr S Watson had sent apologies for the meeting. Ward Councillors plan to hold a surgery on the fourth Saturday each month and details will be shared in advance.

24/111 To receive the Mayor's Statement

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

24/112 Community Facilities

Draft minutes of a Community Facilities meeting held on 29th November 2024 were noted.

Signed  
Mayor  
Date



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24/113 Engagement and Events

Draft minutes of an Engagement and Events meeting held on 29th November 2024 were noted.

A report from Northallerton BID had been received.

Planning Applications were considered.

**1. It was resolved that Northallerton Town Council has no objections to these applications**

Cllr Eames gave a short verbal update from the Town Team meeting which took place on 3rd December.

Concern was raised about the significant increase in fly posting that has appeared around the High Street and the general amount of litter and cigarette butts. Discussion took place regarding how much resource is put into Northallerton for this and should BID, Town Team or others intervene as previous daily cleaning of the High Street, undertaken by Hambleton District Council operatives, has stopped. Cllr Dickinson advised that there have been many changes under local government reorganisation and she will investigate what the current position is.

Discussion took place regarding the NTC position on the relocation of NYC CCTV cameras in Northallerton, in particular the need to maintain the monitoring aspect which currently uses staff with local knowledge and communication methods such as Pubwatch/Shopwatch.

**2. It was resolved that NTC will submit their comments to the NYC Executive Member responsible for this**

A letter had been shared with Councillors with a view to engaging in further discussion with DFT Transpennine and Metro Mayors regarding the rail services along the geography of the lines around Northallerton.

**3. It was resolved that this letter would be sent to transport officials, local councillors and Metro Mayors**

24/114 Environment and Open Spaces

Draft minutes of an Environment and Open Spaces meeting held on 29th November 2024 were noted.

24/115 Finance

Draft minutes of a Finance Committee on 29th November 2024 were noted, including the budget recommendation.

It was confirmed that extensive scrutiny had been applied whilst preparing the budget for 2025 2026, ensuring all anticipated income and expenditure had been detailed as far as practicable.

It was noted that NTC has made a significant commitment to the town with the provision of public toilets and associated costs. However these have had a positive impact on the achievement of a coach friendly status town leading to an increase in coach visits and therefore revenue for local businesses.

It was also agreed that a focus should be maintained on generating grants to support project work.

**1. It was resolved that the budget recommended for the financial year 2025 2026 be approved**

**2. It was resolved that the precept requirement for the financial year 2025 2026 be set at £468,500, representing an increase of £6.04 per annum on a band D property**

**3. It was resolved payments be approved and receipts noted**

**4. It was resolved that bank account balances be noted as below and bank reconciliations signed.**

Unity £ 53,136      HSBC £175,293

24/116 Staff and Training

First Aid Training will take place on 22nd January 2025.

24/117 No late correspondence received

24/118 No items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting received

24/119 Date of Next Meeting

**It was resolved that the date of the next meeting is Monday 17th February 2025 at 19:00**

The meeting closed at 20:16 and Cllr Eames wished everyone a very happy Christmas.

Signed  
Mayor  
Date