



Minutes of an Engagement & Events Committee Meeting of Northallerton Town Council held at 10:00 on Friday 21st March in the Town Hall

Present: Cllr S Bell; Cllr S Barber and Cllr P Cornfoot.

Also present: S Garside, Assistant Clerk and A Robson, Clerk.

EE24/028 To receive and consider Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

It was resolved that apologies be received and accepted from Cllr P Eames and Cllr J Hutson

EE24/029 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 not necessary to resolve to exclude members of the press and public

EE24/030 To approve the Minutes of the Engagement & Events Committee Meeting held on Friday 29th November

It was resolved that minutes of the Engagement & Events Committee Meeting on Friday 29th November be approved

EE24/031 To consider options and agree an outline for the Christmas Event 2025

Discussion took place regarding the 2025 Christmas Event and the opportunity to collaborate with the organisers of the County Show/TractorParade to deliver an enhanced event for residents and visitors with the following outline:

- A Gift from Santa to be free to families
- Entertainment and Santa's Grotto to be situated in Treadmills
- Little Bird Market Stalls to be positioned along Zetland Street
- Event on Saturday 13th December including the evening

It was resolved that the Clerk will liaise with stakeholders and council staff team to plan this event

EE24/032 To review the Bonfire Event planning for 2025 and agree a theme

Feedback from a variety of courses regarding the 2024 event was considered including:

- Music not being synced to fireworks
- Lack of a finale to the firework display
- Stage performance cost and effectiveness
- Significant noise and lighting coming from attractions that are not connected to the Town Council

1. It was resolved that a meeting will take place with the owner of the attractions and an alternative location for the bonfire event be considered

Tenders had been sought from three providers for the 2025 event and two had been received

2. It was resolved that the tender from Reaction would be accepted for the 2025 event

3. It was resolved that the theme for the event will be based around rock music

It was agreed that the Clerk and Finance Officer will undertake a site visit to confirm locations for donation points and will liaise with the Scouts and Air Cadets along with ROTary to support collections on the night.

EE24/033 To consider and agree how NTC will commemorate VE Day 2025

It was resolved that the Mayor lay a wreath and the Community Coffee Morning on 7th May will be a VE Day themed event

EE24/034 To consider a request to support yellow lines on Linden Road, in line with recent email communication

It is resolved that the Town Council would refer this matter to NYC Highways for decision

EE24/035 To receive an update on NTC support required for Youth Activities in Northallerton in Summer 2025

A short verbal update was given about the planned engagement for children in the school holidays via Northallerton School And Sixth Form.

Discussion also took place regarding the possibility of upgrading the area at Ashlands including the provision of some benches and raised beds and this will be looked at further with a view to including some young people in the project.



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EE24/036 To review the quality of engagement with North Yorkshire Council via Parish Liaison

It was resolved that the Clerk will request a meeting with the Parish Liaison team at NYC

Councillors will put together a list of positive areas of communication and where they see room for improvement.

EE24/037 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting

It was resolved that the next meeting will be Friday 6th June at 10 am

The meeting closed at 11:05