



**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of
Northallerton Town Council held at 7.00pm on
Monday 19th May 2025 in the Town Hall Upper Hall**

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

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

25/001 To Elect the Mayor of Northallerton for 2025 2026

It was resolved that Cllr A Hugill will be the Mayor of Northallerton for 2025 2026

Cllr P Eames offered his thanks to everyone around the table, he pleased to say that we have a stable council and one which is fulfilling its duty professionally and representing the people of Northallerton positively.

25/002 To receive the Mayor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr Hugill signed the Mayor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

In accepting the office, Cllr Hugill offered thanks to Cllr P Eames for the work done during his 4 years as Mayor and before, echoing his words about the council's position. Cllr Hugill is keen for councillors to continue to share their skills and areas of knowledge and he committed to working together with the Clerk, the staff team and with organisations such as NYC, Northallerton BID and others who are important to the town, building on the work done already and developing the Strategic Plan for the next term of Council.

25/003 To receive apologies for absence and consider approval of reasons for absence

All councillors were present.

25/004 To note the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 20th May 2024

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25/005 To elect the Deputy Mayor of Northallerton for 2025/2026

It was resolved that Cllr P Cornfoot will be the Deputy Mayor of Northallerton for 2025 2026

Cllr Confoot reiterated Cllr Hugill's comments. During the time Cllr P Eames has been Mayor, Northallerton Town Council (NTC) has made huge changes and some difficult decisions. Cllr Eames had focussed on key issues, improved engagement with stakeholders and staff and been instrumental in developing initiatives such as the petitioning for the development of the former Grammar School site, the Halifax Memorial Stone in Applegarth and much more. Cllr Cornfoot looks forward to working with Cllr Hugill and to his term of office being equally productive.

25/006 To update Councillors Register of Interests

Councillors were reminded to update their Register of Interests as necessary.

25/007 To appoint representatives to the following committees

1. Community Facilities
2. Engagement and Events
3. Environment and Open Spaces
4. Finance
5. Staffing
6. Northallerton and Romanby Joint Burial Committee

It was resolved that representatives be appointed to the committees as appendix i

Signed:

Mayor

Date:



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25/008 To confirm Terms of Reference for the following committees:

1. Community Facilities
2. Engagement and Events
3. Environment and Open Spaces
4. Finance
5. Staffing
6. Northallerton and Romanby Joint Burial Committee

It was resolved that the Terms of Reference be approved

25/009 To elect Town Council representatives to the following organisations

1. Grace Gardner Trust
2. Bienvenue Ormesson Northallerton
3. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations
4. Town Team
5. Brompton, Northallerton and Romanby Councils Walking & Cycling Group
6. Area Constituency Committee
7. Area Planning Committee
8. Community Alcohol Partnership
9. Rural Transport Working Group

It was resolved that representatives be appointed to the organisations as appendix i

25/010 To confirm adopted Standing Orders

It was resolved that the adopted Standing Orders be confirmed

25/011 To adopt updated Financial Regulations

It was resolved that the adopted Financial Regulations be confirmed

25/012 To note the current Strategic Plan

The Strategic plan was noted and work towards the 2027-2032 plan will begin this year

25/013 To receive a report from North Yorkshire Police

A pilot had taken place in North Yorkshire trialling joint working against cybercrime and was identified as a positive model in combating this and fraud. The government is looking to make this a national programme.

Discussion took place regarding whether appropriate organisations have been informed of the people spending time in the doorway of a shop behind the Town Hall. The Clerk advised that they had.

25/014 To receive reports from NYC Ward Councillors

A report had been circulated in advance of the meeting

A question was asked about the launch of tailored investments for 32 towns and other sectors in North Yorkshire. It was noted that a letter will be finalised and sent to the York and North Yorkshire Mayor expressing the hope that towns affected will be consulted on the benefits of these projects before funding is spent.

Local Plan Consultation is ongoing and NTC will input to the next stages

The Heritage Hub opening at the Library was considered to be positive and Councillors were encouraged to visit. .

25/015 To receive a report from Northallerton BID

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25/015 To consider and approve the minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on 12th May 2025

It was resolved that the minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on 12th May 2025 be approved

Following the Annual Town Meeting these items will be progressed by the Clerk:

Look into the NYC Town Square charges.

Establish the position on Charity Market Stall charges.

Arrange a Food Festival Stakeholders Meeting

25/016 To receive agenda items for the next Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council
Items to be notified by 9th June

25/017 To agree the dates of the Town Council meetings for 2025 2026 as follows:

It was resolved that the meeting dates will be as follows:

Monday 16th June 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Monday 15th September 2025

Monday 20th October 2025

Monday 17th November 2025

Monday 15th December 2025

Monday 19th January 2026

Monday 16th February 2026

Monday 16th March 2026

Monday 20th April 2026

Monday 11th May 2026 Annual Town Meeting

Monday 18th May 2026 Annual Council Meeting

The meeting closed at 19:34

Signed:
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Date: