



**Minutes of an Environment & Open Spaces Committee
Meeting of Northallerton Town Council held at
12:30 on Friday 24th April in the Town Hall**

Present: Cllr P Eames; Cllr S Bell; Cllr P Cornfoot; Cllr A Eames and Cllr A Hugill.

Also Present: Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

EOS25/26 To receive and consider apologies for absence and declarations of interest.

All councillors were present.

EOS25/27 To approve the minutes of the Environment & Open Spaces Committee meeting held on 6th February.

It was resolved that the minutes of the Environment & Open Spaces Committee meeting be approved

EOS25/28 To consider if it is necessary to resolve to exclude members of the press and public by virtue of the Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, due to the confidential nature of any agenda items.

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

EOS25/29 To receive an update on the North Northallerton allotments and the Bankhead improvement project.

NNA all allocated

Waterbutt went missing

Kids climbing - consider a camera at some stage

Noticeboard on the fence of the allotments

Get this

And look at one in the housing at the opposite side.

Bankhead

Fenced and new play equipment

marked up for 8 plots and shed

Promote that these are within walking distance of the plots

Water being put in - Dave

No further complaints

EOS25/30 To receive an update on the Asset of Community Value nomination for land at Tom Umpleby Way.

Advised that there would need to be significant further details for an ACV. Residents need to provide this information.

James Campbell Planning dept if there are not material considerations

Route through Local Plan designation of green space

And add to our Neighbourhood Plan if we do that.

EOS25/31 To consider a request from NYC to add a grass cutting verge to the internal grass cutting programme.

Yes

EOS25/32 To consider issues relating to Dene Road including:

- Land Ownership
- Footpath Maintenance
- A written request to allow access across council land to support electric vehicle charging

Footpath - land and responsibility to access peoples houses (but also walking into the park area)

Her crossing the land to get into her driveway

Broadacres residents parking being managed by us

Hospital parking issue

Resident who is also parking on our grass



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Vicars Croft has Broadacres managed car parking so they do look after it.

Agree to arrange a meeting with Broadacres team to find a solution

Explain the above to them in a letter/email and get them in.
It is a liability to the TC currently.

Interim solution - to let the householder have access across our grass.
This needs to be a separate legal agreement with Broadacres not the individual.

Cut back the footpath to tidy it up in the meantime.

Have a parking management company to deal with the additional spaces?
Or give it to the Hospital.

EOS25/33 To discuss the management of the planted areas at entry to the library underpass and agree actions.
Strip of land beside the Boston Avenue/Thirsk Road Houses and the two slopes of the underpass at the bus stop and the wall side of Walkland Way.
All NYC but managed by us under licence.

Concern that there are plants that could look nice should they be left to flower.
There was a lot of rubbish left after the pruning (17 bags removed by a councillor).
Planting needs to be refreshed as some plants are dying and some are unsuitable for the environment.
Time to be devoted to do the work - what is reasonable?

High traffic area, entrance to the town and well used.
Key through route.
Benches - have we taken some out? Near the Tesco entrance.

Consider the area as part of the underpass redevelopment?

One off bit of work to develop/redesign it.
Team to incorporate this with their future works.

Agree it is important and we should look after it.
Meet on site with Paul etc. to decide what we want it to look like.
Incorporate volunteer involvement at this stage. (Shirley)

Is there any landscape design and planting funding money available?

EOS25/34 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting.
TBC after the annual meeting in May.

EOS25/35 To note the closure of the meeting.
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