

Northallerton Town Council

Action Plan 2026 2027



This action plan outlines the objectives of Northallerton Town Council for the coming year in line with the Strategic Plan 2022 - 2027 and details activities to be undertaken alongside measures that will evidence success.

Community Facilities

Strategic Objective	2026/27 Actions	Success Measure
Increase Allotment Provision	Review current allotment demand and waiting lists. Identify opportunities for additional plots.	Waiting list reviewed. Recommendations reported to Council. Additional plots identified where feasible.
Enhance Play Parks	Develop a town-wide play park improvement programme. Prioritise equipment replacement and maintenance needs.	Annual inspection completed. Improvement programme approved.
Increase Access to Town Hall	Continue promoting Town Hall facilities. Develop and implement maintenance and refurbishment priorities. Explore external funding opportunities.	Increased bookings and community use. Funding applications submitted.
Community Facilities in North Northallerton Development Area	Continue engagement with NYC and developers regarding sports, allotments, pedestrian and cycling infrastructure.	Representation at planning discussions. Progress reports received.
Permanent Heritage Hub	Continue stakeholder discussions and investigate potential locations and funding sources.	Feasibility options identified. Partnership discussions documented.

Engagement and Events

Strategic Objective	2026/27 Actions	Success Measure
Improve Communications	Refresh communications plan. Increase website and social media engagement. Undertake resident survey.	Survey completed. Engagement statistics reviewed quarterly.
Active Member of the Town Team	Continue participation in Town Team initiatives. Support projects that increase town centre footfall.	Attendance at meetings. Delivery of agreed projects.
Increase Involvement in Forward Planning	Continue reviewing planning applications and strategic developments. Engage in Local Plan Consultation.	Formal responses submitted. Commencement of Neighbourhood Development Plan.

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Engagement and Events

Strategic Objective	2026/27 Actions	Success Measure
Improved Events Experience	Deliver annual programme, including Christmas, Bonfire Night and Remembrance. Review event feedback.	Events delivered within budget. Resident satisfaction recorded.
Support a Vibrant Market	Work with NYC and traders to identify improvements to the market offer.	Market review completed. Improvement proposals agreed.

Environment and Open Spaces

Strategic Objective	2026/27 Actions	Success Measure
Develop Green Corridors	Progress enhancement projects at Willowbeck, Springwell Lane and Winton Road corridors.	At least one corridor improvement project completed.
Improve Pedestrian and Cycle Facilities	Continue working with NYC and neighbouring parish councils. Support delivery of active travel projects and community consultation.	Responses to consultations submitted. Priority schemes identified.
Enhance Green Spaces and Environment	Deliver environmental improvements within parks and gateways to the High Street. Continue tree planting and biodiversity initiatives.	Improvement programme completed. Additional planting delivered. Biodiversity Policy approved.
New Public Park on Former Grammar School Field	Continue supporting protection and development of the site as community open space.	Ongoing engagement with stakeholders. Progress reported to Council.
Community Gardens	Support development of Cherry Croft and identify further opportunities across the town.	Existing gardens supported. New opportunities explored.

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Based on the Strategic Plan progress to date and the Town Council's current position, the following are high priority projects:

Priority 1 – Town Hall Development

- Refurbishment planning
- Income generation through hire
- External funding bids

Priority 2 – Active Travel and Green Infrastructure

- Cycling and walking improvements
- Green corridor enhancements
- Engagement with NYC transport planning
- Protection and enhancement of green spaces

Priority 3 – Town Centre Vitality

- Market devolution
- Town Team projects
- Events programme with Northallerton BID

Priority 4 – Strategic Influence

- Planning consultations
- North Northallerton development engagement
- Neighbourhood Development Plan

SMART Actions for 2026/27.

1. Submit a Neighbourhood Development Area Request to NYC by August 2026.
2. Produce a Town Hall Improvement and Funding Plan by December 2026.
3. Develop a Green Spaces Enhancement Programme by October 2026.
4. Undertake a resident satisfaction survey by January 2027.
5. Deliver at least four major community events during 2026/27.
6. Submit formal responses to all major planning applications affecting Northallerton.