

NORTON ON DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 21st October 2024 at 6.30pm.
The Old Courthouse, 84b Commercial Street, Norton, YO17 9ES.

PRESENT Councillors D Keal (Chair)
P Farndale, A Spencer, H Spencer, J Vale,
L Burr MBE, S Shaw, M Brampton
D Lloyd Williams, Cllr R King

IN ATTENDANCE C Eade (Town Clerk)

OTHERS PC Jane Jones & 4 Police Cadets.
Cllr Keane Duncan

APOLOGIES Cllr N Witteveen

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC 2

77/24 Public Session

A member of the public thanked the council and commended the support he and his wife have received since moving to the town. Also the support from Norton Hive and the use of internet and IT facilities. He also asked regarding the neighbourhood plan and the possibility of the cycle lane on Norton Road.

Cllr K Duncan confirmed that the current arrangement of the one way will stay in place until all the information has been collated. A second phase will hopefully be put in place pending the results from the information currently being studied by the relevant parties.

78/24 North Yorkshire Police

The police cadets gave all the latest statistics regarding crimes and incidents of the last 12 months for Norton and Malton. [See Link](#)

79/24 North Yorkshire Members Reports

Cllr Keane Duncan gave an extensive update on various issues and improvements made by North Yorkshire Council. Plans for improved waste and recycling services and wheelie bins to contain litter rather than the current boxes that spill litter onto the streets during windy periods.

Much work is being done regarding the bus services for the area. He has concerns regarding the current low fees and if the government will continue to support funding after December. Also trials are taking place with the latest machinery for mending pot holes.

Cllr Duncan then answered all Councillors questions.

80/24 Declarations of Interest

Cllr L Burr (MBE) abstains from all Norton Town Council planning decisions as she is a member of North Yorkshire Planning Committee.

Cllr D Keal expressed an interest in agenda item 11 as she knows the applicant on a personal basis.

81/24 Minutes – RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Meeting of Norton on Derwent Town Council Meeting on the 16th September 2024 (minutes 64/24 to 76/24 inclusive) be approved and signed as correct. [See Link](#)

All members approved, 1 abstained

82/24 Mayors Announcements [See Link](#)

83/24 Clerks Report [See Link](#)

84/24 Financial Report and Accounts – RESOLVED

- a. To authorise payment of accounts. [See Link](#)

All members approved

- b. To receive the financial summary to 30th September 2024 [See Link](#)

- c. To receive bank reconciliation to 30th September 2024 [See Link](#)

- d. To receive deposit account reconciliation to 30th September 2024 (Information)[See Link](#)

- e. To note the External Audit Report & Notice of Completion of Audit [See Link 1](#) [See Link 2](#)

Cllr L Burr (MBE) wished for it to be recorded that the Clerk had done well for the first time completing the Audit and all the work that goes with it.

All members approved

85/24 Planning Matters - RESOLVED

ZE24/04794/HOUSE

151 Welham Road, Norton, Malton, North Yorkshire, YO17 9DU [See Link](#)

Erection of single storey rear extension, erection of open porch to front elevation, erection of bay window to front elevation and widening of vehicular access to include extension to dropped kerb.

All members approved, 1 abstained

86/24 Grants - RESOLVED

It was agreed that Cllr S Shaw, D Keal and J Vale would form a working group to consider and recommend to council Grant applications at November meeting.

All members approved

Members of the public left the chamber

87/24 Excluded item – Co-option- RESOLVED

To resolve to exclude members of the press and public under that Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960 due to the nature of the business to be transacted as follows;

to discuss the applicants for Co-Option and to vote on applicants, candidates 2 and 4 received 1 vote,

Second vote, candidates 1 and 3, members voted 3 for candidate 1 and 5 for candidate 3 and 2

abstained therefore candidate 3 Stephen Gregory, was co-opted to the Council. [See Link](#)

88/24 Remembrance Day

It was agreed that Cllr Keal would attend Malton service, Cllr J Vale to attend St Peters, Norton service and Cllr S Shaw to attend Old Malton service.

89/24 Awards – RESOLVED

All members agreed with the awards scheme as proposed by Cllr D Keal and for this to be an annual award. [See Link](#)

All members approved

90/24 Memorial Plaque – RESOLVED

It was agreed that the clerk should order a plaque for the bench on the riverbank with costs up to £100 for engraving.

All members approved

91/24 SLCC Membership –RESOLVED

It was agreed to renew the membership for another year at a cost of £238.00

All members approved

91/24 Council Chamber – RESOLVED

It was agreed that the clerk should begin a provisional plan to buy the building, 84b Commercial Street from current landlord Yorkshire Housing. The Clerk to bring back to council reports and findings for council to make decision on how to move forward. Estimated fees for survey approximately £500.

All members approved

92/24 Representatives

Cllr A Spencer reported that the Dispensary Fund banking issues were still ongoing.

Cllr J Vale reported that the library will need to close again for phase two of the works required for the building and he would notify the council when the dates have been confirmed.

93/24 Members Questions

Cllr A Spencer enquired about the MNAP Newsletter and the distribution and costs. Cllr R King also raised concerns regarding the costs.

Cllr M Brampton confirmed that there had been issues and that MNAP were perusing a full refund from the company that failed to deliver as agreed.

Cllr L Burr requested that the clerk remove all councillors address details from all publications.

Cllr Hugh Spencer asked if Norton Town Council should have a climate & biodiversity Policy.

Also that the clerk should revisit the possibility of a sound system for the chamber.

94/24 Date of the next Norton on Derwent Town Council Meeting

It was agreed that the next Norton on Derwent Town Council meeting be held on Monday 18th November, at the Council Chamber, 84b Commercial Street, Norton.

The meeting closed at 9.07pm

Claire Eade, Town Clerk

Signed Date

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