NORTON ON DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 14th September 2026 at 6.30pm.
The Old Courthouse, 84b Commercial Street, Norton, YO17 9ES.

PRESENT	D Keal (Chaired the meeting) Cllr S Shaw, J Ford, L Burr (MBE), D Spiridon, S Gregory H Spencer, J Vale, A Spencer.
IN ATTENDANCE	C Harrison (Town Clerk Richard Marr, NYC Highways & PC Jane Jones NY Police
APOLOGIES	R King, P Farndale, L Horwitz.
PUBLIC	9 Members of the public

049/26 Declarations of Interest
Cllr Burr declared an interest in agenda item 10, planning application 6, as she has a business on Commercial Street. Cllrs J Vale & J Ford also declared an interest in the same item as they are residents on the street**.**

050/26 Public Session – Received and noted
Various members of the public raised concerns regarding highways issues around Norton.

Concerns included:

- Why the traffic lights suggested in the 2018 Malton & Norton Traffic and Connectivity Study have not been installed?
- Ongoing issues at the junction at the bottom of Church Street adjacent to the railway crossing since the priorities were changed by NYC in 2017
- Serious concerns regarding St Nicholas Street regarding parking, safety, congestion and speeding vehicles. A request was made to NYC officers to revisit the possibility of introducing a one-way system on St Nicholas Street. NYC officers to look at original proposals from 2018
- Problems and examples of actual collisions were raised with the turning from St Nicholas Street turning right onto Langton Road due to the parked vehicles on the junction. Cllr Duncan said he has also asked officers to consult over introducing double yellow lines at this point on Langton Road.
- Langton Road. - various parking issues along the length of Langton Road and in other areas of town, including problems on Langton Road especially around school drop off and pick up times
- Speeding in various areas including Scarborough Road, Langton Road and St Nicholas Street. Especially dangerous on Welham Road where motorist are driving on the wrong side of the road to overtake the traffic queuing when the railway crossing is down

- A member of the public also raised concerns with the lack of maintenance on the Derwent riverbank and debris in the river.

051/26 Members Welcome – Noted

Members welcomed Richard Marr from Highways who answered many of the questions raised by residents and members. It was agreed that he would have a further meeting and show some of the issues they face when considering making streets one way and introducing new systems.
PC Janes Jones also was welcomed and answered many of the issues raised. She highlighted that people must report things to 101 or online to enable the police to monitor local issues. They will continue to monitor the areas and use speed guns where necessary to combat some of the speeding issues in the town.

7 members of the public, Richard Marr & PC J Jones left the meeting.

052/26 North Yorkshire Members report - Noted
Cllr Keane Duncan gave an extensive report on projects he and North Yorkshire Council are working on. He also answered questions from members.

053/26 Minutes – RESOLVED
It was agreed that the minutes of the Meeting of Norton on Derwent Town Council Meeting on the 20th July 2026, are an accurate record (minutes 036/26 – 048/26 inclusive)

All members approved

054/26 Mayors Report – Noted

055/26 Clerks Report – No report received this month –Noted

056/26 Financial Report and Accounts – RESOLVED

a) It was agreed to pay the following accounts;

Accounts Paid (August) & Accounts to Pay Sept 2026						
09.09.2026	480	Outstanding	DD	£33.44	Telephone	EE
09.09.2026	479	Outstanding	ONLINE	£459.00	Hedge Cutting	Tom Ruston Hedge Cutter
09.09.2026	478	Outstanding	ONLINE	£6.00	Bin Bags	R YATES AND SONS
09.09.2026	477	Outstanding	ONLINE	£48.06	Skatepark Electric	HARRISON HIRE
09.09.2026	476	Outstanding	ONLINE	£8.85	Photocopying	IT SPECTRUM
09.09.2026	475	Outstanding	ONLINE	£360.00	Mini Digger	HAINSWORTH PLANT HIRE
09.09.2026	474	Outstanding	ONLINE	£125.00	Electric	Just Electrical
07.09.2026	473	Paid	DD	£176.80	Telephone	BT
07.09.2026	472	Paid	ONLINE	£6,423.31	Salaries	Salaries
26.08.2026	471	Paid	ONLINE	£528.00	Skatepark Shelter	Ryedale Steel Fabrications
26.08.2026	470	Paid	DD	£23.47	Heating	E.on
26.08.2026	469	Paid	ONLINE	£48.00	Petrol	TYKE 2000
26.08.2026	468	Paid	ONLINE	£450.00	Playground Inspecti	STREETSCAPE
26.08.2026	467	Paid	ONLINE	£2,443.90	HMRC	Hmrc
26.08.2026	466	Paid	ONLINE	£1,360.29	PENSION	NY Pension
26.08.2026	465	Paid	DD	£33.55	Electric	BRITISH GAS
26.08.2026	464	Paid	DD	£17.07	Electric	BRITISH GAS
26.08.2026	463	Paid	DD	£15.99	Electric	BRITISH GAS
25.08.2026	462	Paid	DD	£126.43	Water Chamber	BUSINESS STREAM
25.08.2026	461	Paid	DD	£2.44	Electric	BRITISH GAS
25.08.2026	460	Paid	DD	£424.00	Business Rates	NYC
25.08.2026	459	Paid	DD	£221.00	Business Rates	NYC
18.08.2026	458	Paid	ONLINE	£3,180.00	Norton in Bloom	Cedarwood & Son Ltd
18.08.2026	457	Paid	ONLINE	£2.05	Bin Bags	R YATES AND SONS
18.08.2026	456	Paid	ONLINE	£18.69	Bin Bags	R YATES AND SONS
18.08.2026	455	Paid	ONLINE	£288.36	Norton in Bloom	A M METCALFE
18.08.2026	454	Paid	ONLINE	£460.80	SMITH OF DERBY	SMITH OF DERBY
18.08.2026	453	Paid	ONLINE	£63.22	Skatepark Electric	HARRISON HIRE
18.08.2026	452	Paid	ONLINE	£60.00	computer repair	COPPINS SERVICES
06.08.2026	451	Paid	ONLINE	£6,337.26	Salaries	Salaries
06.08.2026	450	Paid	DD	£262.28	Water Allotments	BUSINESS STREAM
06.08.2026	449	Paid	DD	£149.99	Water Allotments	BUSINESS STREAM
06.08.2026	448	Paid	DD	£132.03	Water Allotments	BUSINESS STREAM
06.08.2026	447	Paid	DD	£19.74	Water Cemetery	BUSINESS STREAM
06.08.2026	446	Paid	DD	£48.93	Water Allotments	BUSINESS STREAM
06.08.2026	445	Paid	DD	£119.18	Telephone	BT
06.08.2026	444	Paid	DD	£42.32	Electric OCH	BRITISH GAS
06.08.2026	443	Paid	DD	£18.00	Electric Cemetery	BRITISH GAS
06.08.2026	442	Paid	DD	£15.29	Electric Cemetery	BRITISH GAS
06.08.2026	441	Paid	DD	£26.33	Heating OCH	E.on

All members approved

b) The financial summary to 31st August 2026.(information)

NOTED

c) The bank reconciliations to 31st August 2026.(information)

Balance between accounts £170,381.04

NOTED

057/26 Planning Matters- RESOLVED

Decisions Received

1) **ZE26/00171/HOUSE** - Erection of a two storey side extension with dormers, a single storey rear extension, front porch, and associated internal alterations, siting of an office pod in the garden and associated landscaping works - 1 Paddock Close Norton North Yorkshire YO17 9AG

Our Recommendation - Approval

NYC Decision - Approved

2) **ZE26/00551/ADV** - Installation of 1no. internally illuminated building mounted fascia sign, 1no. Glazing mounted vinyl sign and 2no. internally illuminated free standing signs - Aldi 27 Commercial Street Norton North Yorkshire

Our recommendation - Approval

NYC Decision – Approval

NOTED

Planning Applications

1) **ZE26/00513/73A** - Variation of condition 02 of planning approval ZE24/09011/MFUL dated 23.07.2025 to allow for alterations to the layout of the stable yard, rehabilitation building and stable block, in addition to revisions to the development phasing to better align with current requirements - Land West Of Beverley Road Norton North Yorkshire YO17 9PJ

Comments - 1 – Neutral

All members recommended approval

2) **ZE26/00519/FUL** - 94 Beverley Road Norton North Yorkshire YO17 9BU - Removal of shutter to front of unit and installation of single door

Comments – None

All members recommended approval

3) **ZE26/00681/HOUSE** - Demolition of existing garage and Erection of replacement attached garage extension - 64 St Nicholas Street Norton North Yorkshire YO17 9AQ

Comments – None

All members recommended approval

4) **ZE26/00638/HOUSE** - Erection of single-storey extension and alterations to existing dwelling, with demolition of existing outbuilding | 16-18 Langton Road Norton North Yorkshire YO17 9AD

Comments – None

All members recommended approval

5) **ZE26/00700/FUL** - Demolition of existing pre-fabricated concrete garage and replace with larger steel portal frame building for the purpose of hobby storage | Holly Bank 128 Welham Road Norton North Yorkshire YO17 9DU

Comments – None

All members recommended approval

6) **ZE24/07750/ADV** - Display of 3no. face fixed acrylic signs (retrospective) | 45 Commercial Street Norton Malton North Yorkshire YO17 9HX

Comments - None

8 members recommended refusal as this is in the conservation area. 1 member recommended approval. All members agreed that if the application was amended for reconsideration, then this should come back to council.

057/26 Auditor Services – RESOLVED

Members agreed to continue to use Elkerlodge Bookeeping for the services of the independent internal audit 2026-27.

058/26 Review the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations polices – RESOLVED

Members approved the Financial Regulations Policy and Standing Orders policy.

059/26 Dispensary Fund – RESOLVED

a) Members agreed to dissolve the Dispensary Fund as per the minutes.
b) Members agreed that the funds should be shared equally between Malton and Norton Town council and ring fenced for community grant awards only.
c) Members agreed to write to Mrs Maureen Danby Smith thanking her for her hard work.

All members approved.

Member of the public left the meeting.

060/26 Norton in bloom – RESOLVED

It was agreed that a group should be formed and Councillor Burr would lead that group.

All members approved

061/26 CiLCA – NOTED

The clerk informed the council that she had successfully achieved the CiLCA qualification. She thanked Mrs C Pillow for her encouragement and support to achieve this. Council acknowledged the work put into achieving this and also thanked the clerk.

062/26 Representatives –NOTED

Cllr J Ford confirmed that she has now been formally accepted by the Milton Rooms as the Norton Town Council representative.

Cllr S Gregory said that he had attended the Next Steps Community Anchor Group open day event and that another event was planned for January 2027.

Cllr L Burr & D Spiridon left the meeting.

063/26 Members Questions – None –NOTED

064/26 NALC Pay Scales – RESOLVED

Members agreed to the NALC National Salary Award 2026-27.

All members approved

Excluded Item – RESOLVED

a) Members agreed to exclude members of the press and public under the Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960 as agenda item 20 involves discussion regarding commercial sensitivity.

All members approved.

b) Members agreed give delegated authority to the Clerk, Mayor and Deputy Mayor to enter into negotiations with Yorkshire Housing over a purchase price for the council chamber.

c) Members agreed to the Clerk, Mayor & Deputy Mayor to pursue quotations for internal works so final costings can be determined. All costs and plans will still be brought back to council for full council discussions and approval.

All members approved

065/26 Date of the next Norton on Derwent Town Council Meeting -NOTED

Members agreed that the next Norton on Derwent Town Council meeting be held on Monday 19th October 2026, at the Council Chamber, 84b Commercial Street, Norton

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed …….. Date …….