Meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, the Galtres Centre 19th December 2023 7.00pm

Present: Councillors: P. Nottage (Chairman), C. Barnes (Vice-Chairman) K. Butcher, F. Johnston-

Banks, S. Shepherd, C. Bilson, N. Madden, B. Sparrow, C. Cranfield, County Councillor

N. Knapton

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

In attendance: Mrs J Fairbrother

23/149	APOLOGIES				
	Apologies were received from Councillors Buckle and Varney and reasons for absence approved.				
23/150	It was resolved to adjourn the meeting for up to 15 minutes to take questions or comments and				
	representations through the Chairman in respect of the business on the agenda. 2 members of the public were				
	present and agenda item 6 was brought forward to this point.				
23/151	NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE				
	No members of North Yorkshire Police were present and no update was received. It was AGREED to				
	email the police with meeting dates for 2024 and to email the Police Commissioner to request that more				
	speed surveys be carried out in the town.				
23/152	MINUTES				
	The minutes of the Full Meeting of the Council of 21 st November 2023 were received and approved.				
23/153	CLERK'S PROGRESS REPORT				
	• The Chairman approved the request for cake stalls under the buttercross on March 30 th and August				
	3 rd 2024 for cancer research				
	• An email was sent to NYC on 29 th November to request that the salt bin on Larch Rise/Barns Wray				
	be filled, this was confirmed by NYC and communicated to the member of the public who made the				
	request				
	• An email was sent to Councillor Butcher on 29 th November to confirm that a cherry tree could be				
	planted in front of the Curious Coffee Company				
	• An email was sent to the member of the public regarding the bench repair in the town square,				
	thanking them for their kind offer and a response was received agreeing to buy a new bench and to				
	help with the cost of refurbishing the flagpole				
	• A letter was sent to the member of the public regarding speeding on York Road on 29 th November				
	2023				
	• The SLCC membership was renewed on the 29 th November 2023				
	• The contribution of £300 to the ETIC's cost of communication was confirmed to them				
23/154	GULLIES				
	This item was moved to the start of the meeting. A request was made by 2 members of the public to help				
	create a survey of gullies and works required throughout the town. It was AGREED that Councillor				
	Knapton would obtain a map of the gullies from NYC. It was AGREED that the council would support the				
	survey and put a request forward in the town for volunteers. Next steps will be determined once the survey				
	is completed.				
23/155	PARKING OBSTRUCTION – LONG STREET				
	An email was received from Area2 Thirsk. It was AGREED that the area identified was not a priority for				
	yellow lines compared with the Crabmill Lane junction with Stillington Road and the area outside Morrisons				
	on Long Street. It was AGREED that the Clerk would copy Councillor Knapton in on the response to Area2				
	acknowledging that this illegal parking is a nuisance but if NYC resources are limited then Easingwold Town				
	Council would consider the provision yellow of lines on Crabmill Lane and outside Morrisons as a much				
22/15/	higher priority.				
23/156	ACTION PLAN The Action Plan was received				
20/17=	The Action Plan was received.				
23/157	COMMITTEE REPORTS & MATTERS				
	157.1 The minutes of the Recreation & Open Spaces Committee meeting on the 20 th November 2023 were				
	received and approved and the minutes of the Social & Events Committee meeting on the 18 th December				
	2023 were received. The Seats policy has been completed and can be removed from the action list.				

157.2 An update was received on the Memorial Park Working Group. It was agreed that as much notice as

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possible should be given to the public about the closure of the park for the refurbishment.

23/158 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

Councillor Knapton provided an update on North Yorkshire Council activities, confirming that applications for grants for Wifi and Millfields had been submitted. No further updates were received on EV charging units as the situation remains unresolved.

23/159 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Correspondence for decision

No.	Date Received	Request From	Request
N1.	30/11/2023	E&R PCC Treasurer	Request for Grant; request approved
N2.	24/11/2023	1 st Easingwold Scout Group	Request to consider the use of Millfields for the Easingwold Fireworks Spectacular on 2 nd November 2024. Councillor Bilson declared an interest. It was agreed to approve it in principle but that the Scouts should create a detailed proposal for the January meeting.
N.3	11/12/2023	St Leonard's Hospice	Dates for Light Up a Life 2024; approved
N.4	25/11/2023	Member of the Public	Request for Council Tax claim; request refused.

b) To note – was circulated prior to the meeting

23/160 EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE

Emergency expenditure actioned by the Clerk since the last meeting included batteries for the Christmas trees on the green £165.00; this was noted and approved.

23/161 FINANCE MATTERS

161.1 The income from previous month and the Income & Expenditure Report for 30th November 2023 were noted.

161.2 The accounts for payment (list circulated prior to the meeting) were approved.

EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL - LIST OF PAYMENTS DECEMBER 2023

Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid	Transaction Detail
J Hudson	BP231201	1500	Stalls contract
HM Revenue & Customs	BP231202	720.34	Tax & NI
NY Pension Fund X3300	BP231203	978.88	Superannuation
Salary 2	BP231204	609.79	Salary 2
Salary 1	BP231205	2195.19	Salary 1 plus expenses
Welcoms	BP231206	83.43	Wifi
Easingwold Town Hall Co Ltd	BP231207	399.30	Advertising Xmas, Remembrance
Chris Jackson	BP231208	173.33	Market stalls storage
Powerpoint Northern Ltd	BP231209	204.00	Cherry picker hire
ETC	BP231210	79.00	Christmas lights

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BATA	BP231211	79.21	Broom handle, rock salt, sacks
The George Hotel	BP231212	200.00	Friendliness tea
A Nelson	BP231213	2936.00	Misc. Works Contract
M E Willis	BP231214	26.08	Extension lead, chain, safety
Garden Studio	BP231215	700.00	Maintenance Memorial Park
YLCA	BP231216	60.00	Training
The Galtres Centre Charity	BP231217	366.00	Christmas fair
A & M Cleaning Services	BP231218	1254.92	Cleaning toilets
Lane Construction	BP231219	16745.00	Memorial Park Bandstand
BT	DDR	227.10	Quarterly business bill
Total		29537.57	

161.3 The budget and precept proposals for 2024/25 were reviewed; the budget was agreed and a precept of £186,762 was agreed.

161.4 The investment strategy was deferred until the January meeting.

23/162 TOWN REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

Requirements and actions to be taken included putting cones outside Costa to prevent parking on the new path, the loose paver in the market place and the manhole cover in the bus stop.

23/163 A19 SIGN DESIGN PROPOSAL

The revised proposal was received from NYC for A19 tourist signage and it was **RESOLVED** to reduce the sign to 2 lines, delete the word free, delete the theatre sign, delete the golf sign, make the bed smaller if possible and cover up the EV & petrol sign for future use. If it were possible to retain the picnic sign on 2 lines then the picnic sign should be retained but if it will not fit then it should be deleted.

23/164 | PLANNING MATTERS

This item was taken at 8.00pm

164.1 To consider Town Council response to planning applications received (see list attached).

Ref No	Application details	Address
ZB23/02336/HNA	Application for Hedgerow Removal Notice of 140 metres Wish to see APPROVED	Cottage Farm Meadowfields Close Easingwold
ZB23/02325/TPO	Works to tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order 1997/12 Wish to see APPROVED	1 Rowan Avenue Easingwold York
ZB23/02330/ADV	Advertisement Consent for Replace 1no Projecting signage, replace 1no. Lozenge logo, replace 1no. ATM tablet and decals, replace statutory signage and Existing Projecting sign bracket to be painted to match fascia. NO OBJECTIONS	Nationwide Building Society Spring St
ZB23/02413/LBC	Retrospective application for alterations and change of fuel use in lounge. Removal of gas fire, cast iron surround and slate hearth and replace with a log burner, brick surround and york stone hearth NO OBJECTIONS	11 Uppleby Easingwold
ZB23/02422/MRC	Application for variation of condition No:7 (varied to allow for non-agricultural storage) to previously approved application 15/02666/FUL (allowed on appeal ref: APP/G2713/W/17/3179392) for the construction of an agricultural storage building NO OBJECTIONS	Longbridge House Farm Stillington Road Easingwold

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164.2 Decisions on planning applications considered by Hambleton District Council and total of applications for new dwellings approved were noted.

The meeting finished at 20.28
Signed

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Correspondence to Note December 2023				
Note	Date Received	From	Subject	
N1	01/12/2023	Barry Connor Consultancy	Update on EV charging points	
N2	17/11/2023	NYC	CIL Monies	
N3	20/11/2023	YLCA	Training forum bulletin	
N4	20/11/2023	Easingwold Hunt	Boxing Day Meet	
N5	01/12/2023	Rialtas	Pricing for 2024/25	
N6	01/12/2023	Easingwold Park run	Lighting power supply/ gritting/parking	
N7	01/12/2023	Market stall contractor	Extension bars	
N8	08/12/2023	NY Net	Easingwold WiFi	