

EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, the Galtres Centre
20th January 2026 7.00pm

Present: Councillors: P. Nottage (Chairman), C. Barnes (Vice-Chairman), N. Madden, K. Butcher, C. Bilson, D. Bream, R. Varney, F. Johnston-Banks, E. Whiteside, Assistant Clerk J. Fairbrother and County Councillor N. Knapton

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

25/153	APOLOGIES Apologies were received from Councillor K. Colwell and approval of reasons given.
25/154	There was 1 member of the public present and no questions were asked, therefore the meeting was not adjourned.
25/155	MINUTES The minutes of the meeting of the Council of 16 th December 2025 were received and approved.
25/156	CLERK'S PROGRESS REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An email was sent to the Inspector regarding policing in Easingwold and he has confirmed that there will be staff in place by March The Clerk has spoken to NYC regarding CCTV and is arranging a meeting with interested councillors and a representative of NYC Welcoms has confirmed closure of the account A skip has been arranged for the Miscellaneous Works Contractor's allotment An email was sent to M E Willis to approve the quote for a new lawnmower for £749 An email was sent to the Furry Tails Dog Training company to refuse the request to use Millfields for commercial enterprise, but alternative solutions were offered The fence contractor has amended all the outstanding issues at Claypenny playground The Clerk has been in contact with the Hesley Group regarding the path in Millfields and has received an interim response with commitment to responding to the specific questions The precept request has been sent to NYC, along with a breakdown of the budget and an acknowledgement received The Easingwold 10k road race request to be held on 26th May 2026 by the running club was approved under delegated authority by the Chairman
25/157	NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE No update was received from North Yorkshire Police.
25/158	ACTION PLAN The action plan was received and updated.
25/159	NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL An update was received from County Councillor Knapton. Revised NYC boundary proposals will be laid before parliament that will create an Easingwold and Stillington Ward. Revised bus stop proposals in the Market Place are being considered. The installation of a bus shelter on Long Street is being considered. There is no further progress on the EV project in the Galtres rear car park. The Redrow & Linden path has been inspected by a new officer and is being moved forward. Councillor Bilson asked why Easingwold did not qualify for a bleed pack and Councillor Knapton agreed to investigate the reason.
25/160	SUSTRANS BENCH Quotes were received for a replacement bench and it was RESOLVED to approve the Oak & Rope teak bench. It was AGREED to remeasure the site to ensure the correct sized bench is ordered.
25/161	COMMITTEE REPORTS & WORKING GROUPS UPDATE The minutes of the Social & Events Committee meeting of the 15 th December were received and approved and the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting on the 19 th January were received. An update was received from Councillor Bream on the Chase Garth Working Group, and on the potential for a disabled toilet in the market place. It was AGREED that the Clerk should ask NYC for help on a public consultation for Chase Garth. Councillor Barnes provided an update on a MAPS (Multi Agency Problem Solving) meeting. An update from the Mayoral Fund Working Group was provided and it was AGREED that regular updates should be provided under this agenda item.

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25/161	FENCING AT LONGLANDS Quotes were received for the fencing at Longlands and it was RESOLVED not to proceed with the fence.			
25/162	CORRESPONDENCE			
	a) Correspondence for decision			
	Correspondence for Decision: January 2026			
	No.	Date Received	Request From	Request
	1.	09/01/2026	NYC	Urban Highway Grass Cutting, offer to pay for grass cutting; request approved
	b) To note – was circulated prior to the meeting.			
25/163	EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE No emergency expenditure was actioned by the Clerk since the last meeting.			
25/164	FINANCE MATTERS			
	164.1 The income from previous month and the Income & Expenditure Report for 31 st December 2025 were noted. 164.2 The accounts for payment were approved			
	EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL - LIST OF PAYMENTS JANUARY 2026			
	Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid	Transaction Detail
	J Hudson	BP260101	1750.00	Market stalls contract
	HM Revenue & Customs	BP260102	1018.77	Tax & NI
	NY Pension Fund X3300	BP260103	1073.10	Superannuation
	Salary 2	BP260104	458.51	Salary 2
	Salary 1	BP260105	2066.84	Salary 1 & Subscription
	YLCA	BP260106	27.40	Training E. Whiteside
	GB Sport & Leisure UK Ltd	BP260107	1194.00	3 x Annual inspections
	The George Hotel	BP260108	299.20	Chairman drinks & friendliness tea
	Garden Studio	BP260109	50.00	Removal of dead hawthorn tree
	North Yorkshire Council	BP260110	360.00	Salt bins
	A & M Cleaning Services	BP260111	1575.51	Cleaning toilets
	Chris Champman	BP260112	623.99	Market stalls storage
	David Copley	BP260113	276.00	IT
	SLCC	BP260114	316.00	Annual Membership
	Welcoms	BP260115	56.70	Telephone

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	Easingwold Town Hall Co Ltd	BP260116	33.00	Ads friendliness
	Robin Hannaway	BP260117	425.00	Various
	Acorn Festive Lights Ltd	BP260118	558.00	Work on Xmas lights
	A Nelson	BP260119	1686.21	Miscellaneous Works Contract
	YLCA	BP260120	27.40	Training D. Bream
	G H Brooks	BP260121	103.68	Gravel
	HAGS	BP260122	1016.73	3 x stepping stones for Memorial Park
	Total		14996.04	
25/165	PLANNING MATTERS <u><i>This item was taken at 8.00pm</i></u> 165.1 The Town Council's response to planning applications received was considered and approved			
	Ref No	Application details		Address
a	ZB25/02110/FUL	Retrospective erection of outbuilding NO COMMENTS		44 Galtres Drive Easingwold
b	ZB25/02126/FUL	Proposed barn conversion to create 2no two-bedroom single storey dwellings and 1no commercial unit for use by the occupiers of the proposed dwellings NO COMMENT , although Easingwold Town Council remains concerned about the potential increase in traffic from 2 new dwellings and a commercial unit.		Land and Buildings Rear of Linton House, North Moor Road, Easingwold
c	ZB25/02203/TPO	Application for works to trees subject to a tree preservation order 1997/12 T110 beech (canopy reduction of 1.25m in height and 0.5-1m laterally and 1997/12 T109 (whitebeam) (crown reduction no more than 1.25m in height and up to 0.5 laterally) NO COMMENT		20 Copperclay Walk Easingwold
e	ZB25/02230/FUL	Retrospective application for the installation of a CCTV Camera Wish to see APPROVED		Coop Market Place, Easingwold
f	ZB25/02231/LBC	Listed building consent for the retrospective installation of a CCTV camera		Coop Market Place, Easingwold

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			Wish to see APPROVED	
	g	ZB25/02261/FUL	Proposed conversion of agricultural building to single dwelling NO OBJECTIONS	Blake Stiles Farm, North Moor Road
	h	ZB25/02177/FUL	Conversion of garage to allow division of existing dwelling into two dwellings (Extension to rear of dwelling being undertaken under permitted development) Wish to see REFUSED	Wren House Back Lane
	i	ZB25/02160/FUL	Application for works for extension onto existing garage, extension to rear of property, add porch and toilet at front of property NO OBJECTIONS	6 The Nurseries, Easingwold
	165.2 Decisions on planning applications received from North Yorkshire Council and total of applications for new dwellings approved were noted.			
25/166	TOWN REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE It was agreed that the Handyman should inspect all of the posts on the Crescent to identify any repairs required.			

The meeting finished at 8.23pm