

STOKESLEY TOWN COUNCIL

The Meeting of the Town Council was held on Tuesday 11 March 2025 at 7 pm
in Stokesley Town Hall

Present: Cllrs Sally Atkinson, Mike Canavan, Sean Carey, David Cook, Claire Craster, Christopher Johnson, David Oxley, Graham Sowerby and Gary Yuille.

Clerk – Mrs Julie McLuckie, Sgt. Chris Ross and PC Lisa Jones (North Yorkshire Police) and one resident (representative from the Scouts and Guides).

In accordance with the notice of meeting a public forum session took place from 7pm to 7.15pm.

Sgt. Ross confirmed that a total of 23 incidents had been reported between 1 February and 28 February 2025 and provided further information on each of the incidents. Members were pleased to note the successful outcomes to the incident that had taken place at Stokesley Motors, and the incidents reported on The Stripe. Sgt. Ross informed members that they are currently working with the Co-op on the High Street and Boyes to tackle the ongoing issues with shoplifting at both premises and had provided them with information on how to report using the 'NICE' reporting system which specifically targets shoplifting. Following receipt of a letter from the Stokesley Scouts and Guides regarding ongoing problems it was agreed that Sgt. Ross would meet with them along with a Council representative to discuss what action can be taken.

North Yorkshire Council (NYC) – Cllr Griffiths not in attendance.

1/11/03/25 NOTICE OF MEETING

RESOLVED that the public notice of the meeting had been provided in accordance with Schedule 12, paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972

2/11/03/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1. **RESOLVED** that the apologies for absence from Cllr Griffiths be received.
2. **RESOLVED** that the reasons for absence provided be agreed.

3/11/03/25 RESIGNATION

RESOLVED that the resignation with immediate effect from Cllr Andy Wake circulated on 11.3.25 be received. The Clerk would commence the co-option process. Members thanked Cllr Wake for his service as a Town Councillor and wished him well in the future.

4/11/03/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None declared.

5/11/03/25 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 11 February 2025 be agreed and signed as a true record.

6/11/03/25 PLANNING

1. The following Planning Applications were received and reviewed. **RESOLVED** to confirm approval of all the comments submitted as detailed.

Applications Received

ZB25/00084/MAN – Millbry Hill Stokesley Store, 47 Levenside – Application to determine if prior approval is required for the proposed change of use from commercial to (Class E) to 3no residential

dwellings. **RESOLVED** that the Town Council does not support prior approval of the proposed change of use from commercial to (Class E) to 3no residential dwellings, i.e. that it is not permitted development. The property sits within the Stokesley Conservation Area and will require structural changes to the property and probable changes to at least the ground floor elevations. The property sits within Flood Zone 3A and no flood risk assessment has been provided. The Town Council is concerned about the future safety of any residents, particularly children, as the doors to the proposed residential dwelling will open on to a road which provides access to both the Millbry Hill store, including HGV delivery vans, and Leven Mews. Only a white line, without any kerb, defines the pedestrian footpath.

ZB24/02472/LBC – 75 Levenside – Listed building consent for repair to existing roof. **RESOLVED** no objections.

ZB25/00343/LBC – 6 College Square – Application for extension of a brick and tile garden workshop. **RESOLVED** that Stokesley Town Council has concerns about this application. The drawings provided give only limited context of how the proposed building sits with the immediate neighbouring buildings and structures. The proposal is for a doubling of size of the current workshop to a floor area of nearly 30 square metres, which seems unduly large in the context of its location. Should approval be given then the Town Council request that any commercial use of the workshop is not permitted.

Applications Granted

ZB24/02398/FUL – 48 The Paddock – Application for single storey rear extension.

ZB24/02176/FUL – Longbeck Farm – Construction of a detached garage.

ZB24/02409/TPO – Land rear of St Josephs Presbytery, 1 Tanton Road - Application for works to trees subject to a TPO 19/00012/TPO2

ZB24/02353/LBC – Bianco Nero Ltd, 14 Bridge Road - Retrospective application for LBC for partial demolition of existing rear chimney, parapet brickwork and coping stones with roofline alteration.

ZB25/0001/TPO – Land rear of St Josephs Presbytery, 1 Tanton Road – Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order 19/00012/TPO2, as amended 29 January 2025.

2. Planning and Development Issues:-

- a. Taylor Wimpey Estate – **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would notify NYC that a site construction area has been established and ask what work is going to take place as the Town Council is not aware of any approved works.
- b. British Legion Club Site – **RESOLVED** that the Clerk had asked for an update as the Section 215 notice period has now passed and had been informed that a site visit would need to take place. The Clerk would ask what date this would happen so that interested parties could also be in attendance.
- c. Tilia Estate –. **RESOLVED** no further update received. The Clerk was asked to report the increase in rubbish to the Site Manager.
- d. Brierley Development – **RESOLVED** that North Yorkshire Council have confirmed that the car park is not permitted development and that they have written to Brierley regarding this and will report back on the agreed outcome. Cllr Cook advised that work had been taking place on a Sunday which is outside of the permitted working hours, the Clerk would report this to NYC Enforcement.
- e. 47 High Street (formerly the Pack Horse Pub) – **RESOLVED** no further update received.
- f. Morrisons, High Street – **RESOLVED** no further update.
- g. Costa Coffee, High Street – **RESOLVED** no further update.
- h. Millbry Hill – **RESOLVED** no further update.
- i. Golden Lion Mews – **RESOLVED** that the response regarding the removal of the cobbles and that they would be reinstated be received.

RESOLVED that Cllr Griffiths raise the lack of response and updates at the next North Yorkshire Council Area Committee meeting.

7/11/03/25 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. **RESOLVED** that the monthly statements February 2025 circulated on 5.3.25 be received.
2. **RESOLVED** that the payments made in February 2025 (attached at Appendix 1) be received and agreed.
3. **RESOLVED** that the Investment Report for the period ending 31 December 2024 circulated on 18.2.25 be received. It was noted that the investment had seen a decrease, but it was agreed that this still proved more beneficial than if the funds had just been left in the bank.

8/11/03/25 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Town Council

1. Strategic Objectives for 2024/25:-
 - a. Cobbles. **RESOLVED** that the meeting that should have taken place on 17 February 2025 has now been rearranged for 17 March 2025, the Clerk has requested confirmation of the time so that Town Council representatives can be in attendance.
 - b. Parking – the Off-Street Parking Places Order consultation is due to be delivered with the Market Place magazine over the coming days. The Clerk would confirm if the businesses receive a copy of the Market Place and if not arrange for a copy of the consultation document to be delivered.
Parking adjacent to the Police Station – **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would arrange for a quote to draw up a legal agreement as requested for the parking outside the Police Station.
2. Press Releases / Newsletter – **RESOLVED** that the newsletter as circulated via e-mail along with the parking consultation document be approved.
3. Maintenance of Northumbrian Water Assets – **RESOLVED** that the Clerk confirm with the Environment Agency that the Tame has been cleared to an appropriate standard.
4. Pavement Blockage adjacent to The Leven Hotel – **RESOLVED** that Cllr Canavan has asked Cllr Griffiths to ascertain when this repair work will take place and if it is not completed if NYC can carry out the work and invoice the business owner.
5. Tree to the rear of Rosehill Drive – **RESOLVED** that following confirmation that NYC had removed the tree and left all the branches etc and are now refusing to remove them that the Clerk arrange for our Contractor to remove the debris and provide a report on any further work required to the tree. The Town Council are still waiting for a response to the following questions ‘Under which of the clauses of the Local Government Act 1976 Part I Section 23 Dangerous Trees and Excavations did NYC take action?’ and ‘Was a Land Registry search completed to identify the owner?’ The Clerk was asked to write a letter of complaint highlighting the issues above and also that the workmanship of the contractor was not satisfactory.
6. Town Hall Clock – **RESOLVED** that following the initial visit via a cherry picker, the clock could not be repaired on site and that the mechanism would have to be removed to be repaired in the workshop. A quote to carry out the repairs was circulated on 5.3.25. It was agreed to accept the repair quote of £1260 +vat, it was noted that this includes a 10 year warranty subject to routine servicing which the Clerk would obtain a price for.

Committees and Working Groups

1. **RESOLVED** that the minutes from the Employment Committee held on 19 February 2025 be received.
2. **RESOLVED** that the minutes from the Health and Safety Committee held on 25 February 2025 be received.

3. **RESOLVED** that the minutes from the Communications and Events Committee held on 26 February 2025 be received. Cllr Atkinson provided an update on the proposed submission for the Mayoral fund and that a special meeting has been arranged for 12 March 2025 to firm up the proposal prior to the submission deadline of 21 March 2025.

North Yorkshire Council

1. **RESOLVED** that the licensing policy consultation circulated on 11.2.25 be received.

Police

1. **RESOLVED** that the monthly statistics report circulated on 7.3.25 be received. A total of 23 incidents had been reported between 1 February and 28 February 2025, Sgt. Ross had provided additional information in the public session.

YLCA

1. **RESOLVED** that the White Rose Updates be received.
2. **RESOLVED** that the Training E—Bulletins be received.
3. **RESOLVED** that the Law and Governance Bulletins be received.
4. **RESOLVED** that the Information Requests and Vacancies Information be received.
5. **RESOLVED** that the Chief Executive bulletins be received.

Correspondence/Complaints received

1. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence regarding land on Pannierman Lane circulated on 3.3.25 be received. The Clerk would notify the residents that this is outside of the Stokesley boundary and direct them to Great Ayton Parish Council.
2. **RESOLVED** that the responses from North Yorkshire Citizens Advice & Law Centre about hosting their sessions in the Town Hall be received. To consider their S137 grant application for £990 to cover the costs for hosting 22 sessions in The Globe. It was agreed to establish what the £45 per session pays for prior to making a decision.

Items tabled for information

No items received.

9/11/03/25 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that in accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that the Town Council exclude the press and public from the meeting to deal with items of a confidential nature.

RESOLVED that a meeting be arranged with representatives from SPIOTA to discuss the possible relocation of the Ziggurat.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

SignedDate

STOKESLEY TOWN COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 2025**ACCOUNTS REPORT**

Payments

Supplier	Reason	Value £
Salaries	Weeks 44 – 47	5770.64
HMRC	PAYE/NIC Month 11	1095.77
Sage	IT Support	121.20
HFC Systems	Office 365 – IT Support	124.08
Town Hall Trust	Officer Rent	484.00
Clear Business	Phone / Internet	119.81
Canon	Photocopier Contract	64.26
Canon	Photocopier Contract	82.37
LHC Hire	Cherry Picker Hire – Clock Maintenance	189.00
Wigin Landscaping	Monthly Contract – Grass Cutting and Trees	2944.50
MBP Groundcare	Monthly Hedges SLA – Tree Work	322.50
Wigin Landscaping	North Road Repairs – Tree Work	690.00
Loorolls	Toilet Rolls – Open Spaces / Toilets	261.00
British Gas	Electricity – Open Spaces / Toilets	120.27
Westclean	Cleaning Holiday Cover – Open Spaces / Toilets	361.20
NYCALC	S137 Grant for attendance at Friday Market (paid direct to Manorial Lands Trust)	162.00
Broadacres	S137 Grant to cover the venue hire for the Community Action Day (paid direct to the Town Hall Trust)	152.00
Signs and Plastics	Parking Signs – Allotments Maintenance	88.74
Christmas Plus	Dismantle Christmas Lights – Christmas Lights Maintenance	2070.30
Town Hall Trust	Meeting Rent	111.50
Barclays	Bank Charges - Miscellaneous	8.50
YLCA	Councillor Training	43.80
Catch Designs	Website Amends	120.00
Total		15507.44