

## STOKESLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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

**Present:** Cllrs Sally Atkinson, Mike Canavan, David Cook, Claire Craster, Bryn Griffiths, Christopher Johnson, David Oxley, Andy Wake and Gary Yuille.  
Clerk – Mrs Julie McLuckie and one resident.

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

A representative from the Climate Action Stokesley and Villages Group asked if they could have approval from the Town Council to carry out traffic surveys as part of accessing the speed of traffic on particular stretches of road. **RESOLVED** that Stokesley Town Council support this initiative but advised that they would have to liaise with North Yorkshire Council (NYC) to seek their approval as the responsible authority for Highways.

**North Yorkshire Council (NYC)** – Cllr Griffiths informed Members that NYC are due to host a special meeting on Friday 14 February 2025 to review the budget and the proposal is that there will be a Council Tax increase of 4.99%. Cllr Wake expressed his concern about the pre-action letter that NYC had submitted to the Government regarding the withdrawal of funding and the threat to take this to judicial review because of the cost implications this course of action would have.

A172 Lay-by – NYC are in the process of trying to find suitable accommodation for the gentleman and his pets so he can vacate his caravan.

Tilia Site – Lighting Scheme – Cllr Griffiths has asked for a progress update on this scheme and is awaiting a response. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would ask Planning Enforcement for an update on the bungalows on the site that still have not had planning approval but are occupied.

Westlands Road – following a report of the deterioration of the road and the flooding on the corner, NYC have chosen to replace the kerb stone and retarmac the footpath, neither of which was required. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk contact NYC to ask why they have carried out this work rather than repair the problem reported.

Unauthorised Street Collections – **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would report this to the appropriate department at NYC.

### **1/11/02/25 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

### **2/11/02/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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

### **3/11/02/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None declared.

#### **4/11/02/25 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 14 January 2025 be agreed and signed as a true record.

#### **5/11/02/25 PLANNING**

***Cllr Griffiths as a member of NYC Planning Committee observes and offers advice only regarding planning applications discussed.***

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

#### Applications Received

**ZB24/02398/FUL – 48 The Paddock** – Application for single storey rear extension. **RESOLVED** no objections.

**ZB24/02409/TPO – Land rear of St Josephs Presbytery, 1 Tanton Road** – Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order 19/00012/TPO2. **RESOLVED** that a request for additional photographs has been requested. Following this meeting the additional information was received and it was agreed that there are no objections.

**ZB25/00001/TPO – Land rear of St Josephs Presbytery, 1 Tanton Road** – Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order 19/00012/TPO. **RESOLVED** that a request for additional photographs has been requested. Following this meeting the additional information was received and it was agreed that there are no objections.

**ZB25/00018/LBC – 73 Levenside** - LBC to build floors/ceilings in lieu of rebuilding the stairs. Additional minor internal alterations to create corridors. Removal of the current entrance to 73s for shared entry to 73. **RESOLVED** no objections.

**ZB25/00038/FUL – Chelston, 24 Station Road** – proposed extension to front elevation of dwelling creating an entrance porch, shower room/wc and enlargement to existing garage. **RESOLVED** no objections.

**ZB24/02265/FUL – 8 Elmwood Close** – single storey extension to front and rear of property. Converting garage to extra bedroom. **RESOLVED** no objections.

**ZB25/00083/LBC – 41 College Square** – Listed building consent for the replacement front 2 windows. **RESOLVED** no objections.

**ZB24/02425/TPO – 45 The Firs** – Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order – Reduce the height of 8 trees. **RESOLVED** that this TPO was introduced to ensure that screening continued to be provided between the existing houses on Woodlands Walk and the new dwellings forming part of the new Tanton Fields development. It is noted that the location of the trees which are the subject of this application is on land which is not within the ownership of the applicant. The Local Planning Authority should satisfy itself that any approval of work specified in this application does not compromise the above objective.

**ZB25/00096/FUL – Stanley House, 1A North Road** – Installation of solar panels to south facing roof of property. **RESOLVED** no objections.

## Applications Granted

**ZB24/01967/ADV – The Green Man, 63 High Street** – Application for advertisement consent for non-illuminated 60cm circular projecting sign.

**ZB24/02213/LBC – The Green Man, 63 High Street** – Application for Listed Building consent to put an advertisement sign on the front of the building.

**ZB24/01812/FUL – 10A Bridge Road** – Proposed juliet balconies, windows and rendering as amended 27 January 2025.

### 2. Planning and Development Issues:-

- a. Taylor Wimpey Estate – **RESOLVED** no further update received.
- b. British Legion Club Site – **RESOLVED** no further update received.
- c. Tilia Estate –. **RESOLVED** no further update received. The Clerk was asked to report the blocked culverts on the estate to both Northumbrian Water and Tilia.
- d. Brierley Development – **RESOLVED** no further update received.
- 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 Clerk report that cobbles have been removed and a ramp installed to the rear of this property in a conservation area to the Planning Enforcement Team.

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

## **6/11/02/25 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

1. **RESOLVED** that the monthly statements January 2025 circulated on 6.2.25 be received. It was agreed that the Clerk write to YLCA to express the disappointment at the Government awarding the Principal Councils a grant towards the increase in the employers NI payments but that this excludes Parish and Town Council.
2. **RESOLVED** that the payments made in January 2025 (attached at Appendix 1) be received and agreed.

## **7/11/02/25 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **Town Council**

#### 1. Strategic Objectives for 2024/25:-

- a. Cobble. **RESOLVED** that the Town Council have been advised that NYC are due to meet to discuss this on 17 February 2025 at which time they will notify us of what they have agreed. Cllr Griffiths to request that representatives from the Town Council be included in this meeting.

#### b. Parking

Parking adjacent to the Police Station - **RESOLVED** that it is disappointing to note that over the last week on at least four occasions, Officers have parked their vans in the bays that are clearly marked for cars only. The Clerk continues to liaise with the Police Estates Team to try and ensure that this does not happen going forward on the grounds of health and safety because of the problems it causes when drivers are trying to negotiate the junction.

Parking Permits – **RESOLVED** that the e-mail from NYC Reference CLS/142/ParkPermits circulated on 28.1.25 be received. The Clerk to confirm their continued support of the NYC resident permit scheme.

2. Press Releases / Newsletter – **RESOLVED** that the newsletter copy deadline for the next edition is 10 March, any articles for inclusion should be submitted to the Clerk by Friday 28 February 2025.

3. Riverslea Flooding – **RESOLVED** that following the meeting earlier in the year and the report at the last meeting, Northumbrian Water have confirmed that they have managed to source replacement parts for the pump and that these will be replaced in the coming week. The Clerk was asked to contact the Environment Agency to ask that they clean out the Tame on the North side of the Grange Estate as it is now severely blocked.
4. Lady Hullocks Court – Hedges – **RESOLVED** that the Clerk has wrote to Broadacres requesting that this hedge be cut back and is awaiting a response.
5. Repair Work – North Road – **RESOLVED** that this repair where the paving had lifted due to the tree roots is now complete. Whilst carrying out this repair the contractor advised that the tree is planted on a concrete bed and that it is inevitable the problem will reoccur, therefore it was agreed to look at removing the tree and replacing with a planter. The Clerk was asked to request a full maintenance plan from NYC so it was clear what they are / are not responsible for.
6. Public Toilets – Accessible facility – **RESOLVED** that following the recent vandalism the Clerk was in the process of arranging for the door to be repaired. However, the problem is because the door swells in the wet weather and this means it does not open and close correctly which is why the radar key system failed, and entry was gained. It was agreed to look to replace the doors with hard wood doors or if approved by the Conservation officer, an appropriate plastic door.
7. Community Care Association Representative – **RESOLVED** that following the resignation of Cllr Doherty we have not had a representative on the Community Care Association. Cllr Gary Yuille was confirmed as the replacement, the Clerk would notify Community Care.

### **Committees and Working Groups**

1. **RESOLVED** that the minutes from the Parking Committee held on 3 February 2025 be received. Parking Consultation document – **RESOLVED** that the document be approved and circulated with the Market Place magazine in March. Information will also be provided on our website and through social media channels. The Clerk would discuss the option to complete the survey online with our website provider.

### **North Yorkshire Council**

1. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence regarding the Proposed 30mph speed limit – C1, Stokesley to Tame Bridge circulated on 15.1.25 be received. The Clerk was asked to report that one of the speed signs is leaning against the fence adjacent to the Brierley Development and needs to be reinstated.
2. **RESOLVED** that the update about the Local Plan circulated on 31.1.25 be received and Members were encouraged to review and comment.

### **Police**

1. **RESOLVED** that the monthly statistics report circulated on 3.2.25 be received. A total of 36 incidents had been reported between 1 January and 31 January 2025. The Clerk was asked to report the issue of inappropriate parking on the footpath outside the White Swan on a Thursday evening.

### **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 from a resident requesting additional disabled parking bays circulated on 23.1.25 be received. The Clerk to advise them that they would need to speak to NYC as the area is there responsibility.
2. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence from a resident requesting that Stokesley be designated a ‘smokeless zone’ with no fires from gardens by law and that dogs to be kept on leads around the town to prevent dog fouling circulated on 23.1.25 be received. The Clerk to advise the resident to contact NYC Environmental Health.
3. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence regarding the speeding campaign circulated on 15.1.25 be received.
4. **RESOLVED** that the S137 grant application from Broadacres Housing Association requesting £152 to cover the hire charges for using the Town Hall to host the annual ‘Community Action Day’ circulated on 8.1.25 be received and approved.
5. **RESOLVED** that the S137 grant application from North Yorkshire Citizen Advice & Law Centre (NYCALC) requesting £162 to cover the market rent for their monthly attendance at our Friday Market circulated on 28.1.25 be received and approved.
6. **RESOLVED** that the S137 grant application from NYCALC requesting £990 to cover 22 sessions in The Globe circulated on 28.1.25 be received. The Clerk to contact NYCALC to offer the Town Hall as an alternative cheaper option for this service.
7. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence from Costa Coffee regarding access onto the riverside circulated on 30.1.25 be received. The Clerk to confirm that this would be considered once the improvement work to the front of the building was complete.
8. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence about Vibrant and Sustainable High Street Fund circulated on 4.2.25 be received. It was agreed to share this with the businesses at the meeting scheduled to take place on 12 February 2025 to ask them for any ideas they may have. The Clerk was asked to obtain further information on what would be considered and then the Town Council would agree some schemes to submit.
9. **RESOLVED** that the correspondence from Northallerton School & Sixth Form about ‘Our Young People’ circulated on 4.2.25 be received. The Clerk would respond to advise that the Town Council has just started working with our local schools and want to focus on this at the moment, but wish them every success with their proposals.

**Items tabled for information**

**No items received.**

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Signed .....Date .....

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

## Payments

<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Value £</b>
Salaries	Weeks 40 - 43	5834.48
HMRC	PAYE/NIC Month 10	1113.16
Sage	IT Support	121.20
HFC Systems	Office 365 – IT Support	124.08
Town Hall Trust	Officer Rent	484.00
Clear Business	Phone / Internet	84.50
Wigin Landscaping	Monthly Contract – Grass Cutting and Trees	2944.50
MBP Groundcare	Monthly Hedges SLA – Tree Work	322.50
PPS	Cleaning Materials – Open Spaces / Toilets	110.94
British Gas	Electricity – Open Spaces / Toilets	50.20
Westclean	Cleaning Holiday Cover – Open Spaces / Toilets	722.40
Initial	Hygiene Contract – Open Spaces / Toilets	155.13
Lesley Palmer	Newsletter	160.00
NSALG	Membership – Allotments	84.00
Allotment Tenant	Deposit Refund – Allotments	50.00
Barclays	Bank Charges - Miscellaneous	10.76
Screwfix	Light Switch – Miscellaneous	3.59
Allotment Tenants	Donation Payments following Fire – Miscellaneous	973.98
Bilsdale Band	Remembrance Day – Events	60.00
BRAVURA	PA System hire – Events	318.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>13727.42</b>