



Tadcaster Town Council

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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15 MARCH AT 7 PM IN THE BOYS SUNDAY SCHOOL OFF KIRKGATE

PRESENT:	CHAIRMAN	S Cobb
	COUNCILLORS	D Bowgett, F Greig, G Lodge, C Metcalfe, C Stephenson
	CLERK	J Crowther
	DEPUTY CLERK	J Mottershead
	ALSO PRESENT	D Gluck TRCIC, Cllr A Lee and 4 members of the public

C135 APOLOGIES – (Item 1) - To receive, record and approve apologies for absence: - J Chiswick, P Emmott, M Middlemiss & R Sweeting.

C136 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – (Item 2) - To receive and record declarations of interest at this point or at any other point on the agenda – None.

C137 PUBLIC SESSION – SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS – (Item 3) - To allow members of the public to speak on any matter as it relates to the town – Members of the public are asked to submit any questions in advance of the meeting to the Clerk.

Residents raised the following matters: -

- Concerns regarding the placement of large stones on a parking area on Commercial Street.
- D Gluck reported that Heineken were in the process of sending supplies to Ukraine.
- D Gluck – A Public Arts Project was being proposed in the town, a meeting was to be arranged to discuss the views of local groups. C Stephenson expressed an interest in attending.
- Tadcaster Flood Action Group reported that the group had previously asked the Council for support in the progression of Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme. Low flooding spots needed to be identified for medium- and long-term plans.

Following recent flooding businesses and property owners were considering their future in the town. Flood Insurance had not been affordable for many. The Flood Minister, Selby District Council, North Yorkshire County Council, and the MP had been contacted to seek support.

Alleviation systems had been applied rapidly during recent flooding, but further work was required.

S Cobb reported that he had approached a few businesses in town who were to remain trading. TFAG thanked the Council for their support during recent flooding.

S Cobb thanked TFAG and Tadcaster Flood Prevention Group for their support in the town during recent flooding.

TFPG asked for Council support and asked for the Council to be engaged in low spots during flooding events in the short/medium term.

F Greig reported that there was no question that the Council would support all elements of flooding in the town.

A resident was aware that funding was available for businesses, but residents funding was also vital for residents.

N Eades explained the funding sources available and reported that TFAG were pushing SDC, NYCC and the MP regarding Flood Relief Funding and would update when information was received.

C138 REIMPOSE STANDING ORDERS – (Item 4) –

C139 POLICE REPORT – (Item 5) - Members noted and discuss the Police report.

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Members were concerned regarding the lack of information in the report.

ACTION – Clerk to request a more comprehensive report for the next meeting.

C140 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR/CHAIRMAN ELECT 2022/2023 – (Item 6) -To accept nominations and agree the Chairman Elect for 2022/2023.

Members accepted nominations and agreed the Vice Chairman Elect as follows: -

Councillor D Bowgett was proposed and seconded for Mayor/Chairman Elect for 2022/2023

D Bowgett looked forward to his Mayoral year.

C141 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR/VICE CHAIRMAN ELECT 2022/2023 – (Item 7) - To accept nominations and agree the Vice Chairman Elect for 2022/2023.

Members accepted nominations and agreed the Vice Chairman Elect as follows: -

Councillor S Cobb was proposed and seconded for Vice Mayor/Chairman Elect for 2022/2023

S Cobb reported that he was grateful for the nomination and would support the Mayor throughout the Mayoral year.

C142 PLANNING – (item 8) - Members noted and commented as required on the following applications received from Selby District Council and North Yorkshire County Council: -

a. Planning Applications -

42/21 - 16 Manor Road – Raised Roof loft conversion and ground floor side extension.

RESOLVED – Members had no objection to the above application.

ACTION – Clerk to reply to SDC accordingly.

b. Granted Applications –

36/21 - 21 Willow Rise – Erection of single storey rear extension and alterations to garage roof.

38/21 - 13 Marlborough Avenue – demolition of existing conservatory and garage and construction of new single storey rear extension and detached garage.

c. Selby District Council - Planning Process Explained – Notice - Registering for an online account.

d. North Yorkshire County Council: -

- **Granted** - Consultation on planning application for the purposes of the Part retrospective planning application for the erection of a substation, switchgear container and associated electrical infrastructure on land at Jackdaw Crag Quarry, Moor Lane, Stutton, Tadcaster LS24 9BE.

- **North Yorkshire Minerals and Waste Joint Plan 2025 2030** – Members to note North Yorkshire County Councils adoption of the plan 16 February 2022.

C143 CORRESPONDENCE – (Item 9) - members noted and make commented as required: -

a. YLCA – Election’s 5 May 2022 – Advice Note. The Election process 2022 – The election timetable for 2022 as published by the Electoral Commission. Filling ordinary vacancies in different situations, guidance on the co-option process, the timing of taking office and the Annual Meeting of the Council.

b. NALC – Code of Recommended Practice – on Local Authority Publicity (England) Publicity During the Pre-Election Period.

c. Selby District Council – Parish Clerks and Chairs - Briefing Session North Yorkshire County Council and Parish Elections 5 May 2022.

d. YLCA – White Rose Weekly Bulletin – 11, 18, 24 February & 4 March 2022.

e. NALC – Levelling Up White Paper – A summary of undertakings in the Levelling Up White Paper.

f. Tadcaster Treat Association – Thank you letter for 137 Grant Aid.

g. Citizens Advice Mid North Yorkshire – Thank you letter for Grant Aid.

h. Civility and Respect Project – Newsletter Issue 2 - February 2022.

i. North Yorkshire Police Crime and Fire Commissioner – Notice of online meeting 26 May 2022 - 6.30pm 7.45pm. To include Introduction of new NYPCFC.

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j. Resident Email – A64 Tadcaster Bar interchange – Request for Council support regarding a West Bound slip road A64.

The resident felt that a West Bound interchange would have provided a convenient connection between East and West Tadcaster during recent flooding. An interchange scheme would also result in less traffic noise congestion and pollution through the town when collisions result in carriageway closures on the A64.

The resident urged the Council to request that SDC and NYCC work with National Highways to establish a better case for the scheme.

S Cobb felt there were two possibilities for an interchange one at Islington and A162/A64 junction.

A proposal had been put forward in 2011 which was opposed by a local landowner.

C Metcalfe reported that an Islington scheme would not be forthcoming as plans would include land owned by the above local landowner.

Government funding had been secured in 2011 for a scheme off the A162 this had been objected to by a local landowner and which would have led to potential court cases, due to time elements the scheme was dropped, and funding lost.

He felt that the scheme should be kept on the Councils agenda.

Members felt that a request from the Council should be made to relevant authorities for an A64 interchange.

RESOLVED – To raise as an agenda item at the Environment Meeting 7 June 2022.

ACTION –

- **To invite the above resident to the Environment Committee meeting on 7 June 2022**
- **Clerk to deal**

C144 TADCASTER NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – (item 10) -

a. Members update – D Gluck reported that there was to be a meeting on the 21 March 2022, where the Draft Policy Document Consultation Results were to be discussed. The Document would be updated and made public in due course.

The Design Code would be complete by the end of March 2022, followed by Council approval and then would be in the public domain.

b. Tadcaster Volunteer Car Service meeting 13 December 2021 – Members approved the minutes.

ACTION – Clerk to liaise with D Gluck regarding a reply to the above letter.

C145 EMERGENCY PLANNING SUB COMMITTEE – (Item 11) -

a. Members update of meeting held earlier in the evening.

Members had been informed that 3 Environment Agency Representative had been present at the meeting.

A meeting had been arranged by the MP with The Government Flood Minister summarised as follows: -

“The latest flooding in Tadcaster, Kirby Wharfe and Brotherton, is devastating for the businesses and homeowners affected. In Tadcaster it is incredibly frustrating as the government allocated £11 million back in 2019 for improved flood defences and as yet the scheme has not started. I have been in regular contact with the Environmental Agency since the £11 million was put aside to protect Tadcaster homes and businesses, but it is high time for the EA to get its finger out and deliver the flood defences the town urgently needs.”

A Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Newsletter was due out by the end of the week.

A meeting to discuss low points during recent flood was to take place on 28 March 2022.

The Environment Agency were to hold weekly public drop ins at The Ark.

b. Members to consider and approve Tadcaster Community Emergency Plan.

RESOLVED – To be brought back to the next appropriate Council meeting for approval.

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C146 ENVIRONMENT AGENCY – (Item 12) -

a. Update of Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme – Members had been informed that Environment Agency Representatives were to be available in the Ark on Tuesday mornings for public consultation.

b. Meeting Update of EA meeting on 8 March 2022 – The meeting had been successful and had covered all elements of recent flooding.

c. Client Group Meeting – Members update of Client group meeting 10 March 2022 updates were provided at the EPSC meeting held earlier in the evening.

d. Viaduct - Update of Methane Gas emissions on Viaduct Walk – The footpath was to be closed for one day for works to remove vents.

C147 FLOODING IN TADCASTER – (Item 13) -

a. MP Update – Selby & Ainsty Flooding Update – Members noted the update.

S Cobb thanked the MP and Senior Parliamentary Assistant for their work in securing the above meeting with the Flood Minister.

b. Council email to Selby District Council – Members to discuss an email sent to Selby District Council requesting funding for shops and businesses in the town following recent flooding. Members agreed to discuss this item in Private Session.

C148 GRANT AID – (Item 14) - Members to agree retrospective remaining Grant Aid 2021/2022 for Flood Aid in the town.

The Clerk reported that four Councillors had authorised the above payment.

RESOLVED – Members agreed the above funding.

C149 TADCASTER & RURAL CIC – TEMPT – (Item 15) - Members update of future TEMPT events.

D Gluck reported that the cancelled event TEMPT was due to take place at the weekend. There was to be market and activities through the day followed by a blessing of the bridge and a Lantern Parade in the evening.

C150 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL – (Item16) - Members noted an update on progress towards a new single Council for North Yorkshire.

D Bowgett reported that there was to be Parliamentary Boundary meeting on 18 March 2022.

C151 MAYORS ALLOWANCE – (Item 17) - Mayor to update members regarding Mayors Allowance 2021/2022.

S Cobb reported that due to Covid 19, Mayoral Events were unable to be held. The Mayoral Allowance was to be donated to Kelbar Community Café, Tadcaster Flood Action Group and Martin House.

Members commended S Cobb for the above decision.

ACTION – Clerk to deal.

C152 COUNCIL MEETINGS – (Item 18) - Members to discuss and agree a location for Council meetings 2022/2023.

The Clerk reported that the last booking in the Boys Sunday School Room was 17 May 2022.

Members felt that consideration was required for the return of meetings in The Ark.

RESOLVED – To raise as an agenda item at the Council meeting on 26 April 2022.

ACTION – Clerk to deal.

C153 COUNCIL COMPUTER SECURITY – (Item 19) - Members discussed a way forward for Council Computer Security.

The Clerk reported that the Councils Computer Security system was initially Russian owned but had since been moved to Switzerland.

ACTION – Clerk to seek further information regarding the Councils Security System.

Suspend Standing Orders

A resident reported that the Councils Website states that it is insecure.

ACTION – The Clerk to check.

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Reimpose Standing Orders

C159 BENCHES – (Item 20) - Members considered and agreed the placement of benches by the river. The Clerk reported that two benches made by a local company through Section 106 and Welcome Back Funding were ready to be placed where required.

A request had been made for a memorial bench by the river.

RESOLVED – The above two benches to be placed by the river near to the kissing gate.

ACTION – Clerk to deal.

C160 FINANCE – (Item 21) -

a. Payment of Accounts – Three Councillors approved and signed the cheques and stubs. Schedule to be circulated at the meeting.

		NET	VAT	TOTAL
9808	TEMPT	516.00	0	516.00
9809	Tadcaster Sunday School	247.00	0	247.00
9810	Broxap	547.00	109.40	656.40
9811	Selby District Council (TEN) QPJ	21.00	0	21.00
9812	Selby District Council (TEN Christmas Market)	21.00	0	21.00
9813	D C Cleaning Solutions	112.00	0	112.00
9814	D C G Tree Surgery	95.00	0	95.00
9815	TEMPT	250.00	0	250.00
9816	Pullan Landscapes	180.00	0	180.00
9817	VIKING	52.40	10.48	62.88
9818	VIKING	245.87	49.17	295.04
9819	York RI Golden Rail Band	300.00	0	300.00
9820	Administration	144.90	0	144.90
9821	Administration	142.20	0	142.20
9822	Tadcaster Flood Action Group	200.00	0	200.00
9823	Martin House	200.00	0	200.00
9824	Kelcbar Social Club	300.00	0	300.00
9825	D Gluck (Survey Monkey)	99.00	0	99.00
9826	Petty Cash	183.41	0	183.41
9827 – 9831	Administration	5857.37	0	5857.37

Direct Debits

	Date	NET	VAT	TOTAL
EON	22/03/22	21.45	1.07	22.52
EON	18/03/22	3494.17	724.06	4344.36
NYCOM	25/02/22	42.00	8.40	50.40
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b. Online Banking – Members update of Council online banking.

The Clerk reported that NatWest had improved the online system.

RESOLVED – That NatWest online banking be pursued.

ACTION – Clerk and D Bowgett to deal.

C161 REPORTS BY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS – (item 22) -Members update regarding County and District matters.

A Lee reported that following recent flooding he and R Sweeting had requested Flood Funding of £5,000 per affected business. Belwin Scheme Government Flood Funding was also being investigated; this was to be discussed at the SDC Council meeting on 16 March 2022. Any information would be sent to the Council.

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A Lee reported that North Yorkshire County Council would exist for a further year before becoming North Yorkshire Council, transition arrangements and new polices were ongoing.

C162 WEBSITE NEWSLETTER AND MEDIA ITEMS – ((Item 23) - To suggest appropriate matters from this meeting to place on the website, Newsletter, Facebook and before the media.

S Cobb felt that a Ukrainian Flag should be included on the Councils Website.

ACTION – D Bowgett to design a Ukrainian layout and wording and circulate to members.

A Lee reported that NYCC were working with the Government Refugee Department.

Members were informed that a Council Donation for the Ukraine Crisis was to be discussed at the Council meeting on 26 April 2022.

C163 APPROVAL OF MINUTES – (Item 24) - Members approved as a correct record the Minutes of the following Council and Committee meetings: -

a	Council	held	8 February 2022
b.	Environment Committee	held	15 February 2022
c.	Finance & General Purposes Committee	held	15 February 2022

To consider exclusion of the press and public by virtue of the Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed at the following agenda items only.

C164 SELBY LOCAL PLAN – Email – (Item 25) - members considered a request for Council information. Following discussion members agreed the following: -

RESOLVED – Following a unanimous vote members agreed not to provide the advice received.

ACTION – Clerk to reply.

C165 FLOODING IN TADCASTER - Council email to Selby District Council – Members discussed an email sent to Selby District Council requesting funding for shops and businesses in the town following recent flooding.

RESOLVED – That the matter be discussed at the Council meeting on 26 April 2022.

ACTION – Clerk to deal.