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Official Notice of the Environment Committee Meeting of TADCASTER TOWN COUNCIL

Date: Tuesday 6 October 2026

Time: 7pm

Venue: The Ark, 33 Kirkgate, Tadcaster, LS24 9AQ

In attendance: Cllr D Bowgett (Chair), Cllr G Butcher, Cllr R Sweeting and Cllr P Tunney.
NDP Consultant David Gluck (DG) and 1 member of the public

Officers: J Crowther, Town Clerk. L Tate, Administration Assistant.

Late arrivals: None

Early departures: 19:25 DG

The meeting opened at 7pm

MINUTES

E/27/13	APOLOGIES a) To receive and record apologies for absence. Apologies were received in advance of the meeting from Cllr J Chiswick, Cllr S Cobb, Cllr C Metcalfe and Cllr C Stephenson. No apologies received from Cllr D Mackay. b) To resolve to approve reasons for absence. Resolved: to accept and approve the reasons for absence received in advance of the meeting from Cllr J Chiswick, Cllr S Cobb, Cllr C Metcalfe and Cllr Stephenson. Unanimous.
E/27/14	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & DISPENSATION REQUESTS a) To note any written requests for dispensation the Clerk may have received from members. None b) To consider any new dispensation requests. None c) To receive Declarations of Interests from members not already declared under the members Code of Conduct or members Register of Interests, in any business to be transacted. None
E/27/15	PUBLIC SESSION (15 Minutes) – Suspension of Standing Orders To allow members of the public and representatives from other organisations to speak on any matter as it relates to the town – Members of the public are requested to submit any questions in advance of the meeting to the Clerk. Standing orders will be reinstated on the closure of this agenda item. Resolved: to suspend Standing Orders 2(f) to allow members of the public to raise items of interest in the public session. <i>Public 1: Interested in the discussion on cycle routes- member of the public volunteers for Walk, Wheel, Cycle Trust (was Sustrans) and helps maintain the routes and would like to see more link routes to Tadcaster, which would increase footfall. There are some good mountain biking routes around Tadcaster (Bridleways) too.</i>

	<i>Ev chargers – The company he works for are moving to an electric fleet so would like to see public Ev chargers in Tadcaster.</i> <i>Edgerton Drive consultation tomorrow – concerns about traffic around the proposed development especially at the junction of A162 and asks that the council considers this.</i> <i>The main reason for attendance is to draw the Councils attention to the report on biodiversity loss and impacts on national security- The report has had little publicity, its interesting and concerning, he wishes to make the council aware of what's in the report, is there anything the council can do to help with food security?</i> Members had a brief discussion on cycle paths through Tadcaster. A suggestion the options have been looked at over the years including using the viaduct. One member suggested this route be re-explored. Resolved: to reimpose Standing Orders 2(f). Unanimous. At the discretion of the Chair agenda item FC/27/18 b) was moved forward for discussion FC/27/18 b) To receive an update from the lead Councillor on the Visa & Nationwide, Lets Celebrate Towns Funding. The Lead Councillor presented the proposals, explaining that the scheme is an opportunity for Town Councils to put in a bid for funds to help the town. DG is in attendance and assisted the Lead Councillor with the proposal and the application. The discussion moved onto which category to apply for as only one application per town can be made- Community Pride or Backing Local Business. Members discussed extending the contract of the former Totally locally lead to take this project further, along with suggestions of funding Christmas illuminations, the Tadcaster in Bloom entry and supporting the Christmas market. Resolved: Cllr Bowgett and DG to write a proposal applying for the Community Pride funding to present to council at the next appropriate meeting. Unanimous																		
E/27/16	To NOTE as a true and correct record, the MINUTES of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 2 June 2026. Noted																		
E/27/17	PLANNING Members to note and resolve to comment on the following applications received (North Yorkshire Council): a) Planning Applications: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Valid date</th><th>Planning Reference</th><th>Proposal</th><th>Address</th><th>Deadline</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>14/09/26</td><td>26/04393/TPO</td><td>Application for consent to thin crown by approximately 10% and reduce the height and width of the crown size by approximately 3m to 1No Sycamore tree covered by TPO 2/1984</td><td>9 Beech Walk Tadcaster LS24 9TH</td><td>9/10/26</td></tr> <tr> <td>15/09/26</td><td>26/05317/FUL</td><td>Replacement of existing conservatory with enlarged single storey rear</td><td>5 Heatherdene Tadcaster LS24 8EZ</td><td>9/10/26</td></tr> </tbody> </table>				Valid date	Planning Reference	Proposal	Address	Deadline	14/09/26	26/04393/TPO	Application for consent to thin crown by approximately 10% and reduce the height and width of the crown size by approximately 3m to 1No Sycamore tree covered by TPO 2/1984	9 Beech Walk Tadcaster LS24 9TH	9/10/26	15/09/26	26/05317/FUL	Replacement of existing conservatory with enlarged single storey rear	5 Heatherdene Tadcaster LS24 8EZ	9/10/26
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	25/09/26	26/05137/FUL	Erection of rear single storey extension	20 Queens Gardens Tadcaster LS24 9HD	19/10/26
	28/09/26	26/05548/FUL	Formation of a new vehicular crossover and driveway.	12 Station Road Tadcaster LS24 9JG	22/10/26
	29/09/26	26/05699/FUL	Conversion of two ground floor shop units into one shop unit, forming two separate first floor dwelling flats.	Woodlands Post Office 58 Stutton Road Tadcaster LS24 9HJ	23/10/26
	26/04393/TPO A The Parish Council has no objections. 26/05317/FUL A The Parish Council has no objections. 26/05137/FUL A The Parish Council has no objections. 26/05548/FUL A The Parish Council has no objections. 26/05699/FUL D The Parish Council supports the application. b) To note Granted Applications / Decision Notices since the last meeting- None				
E/27/18	EVENTS MANAGEMENT a) To receive an update from the lead Councillor regarding the Christmas Market on 29 November 2026. Arrangements for the market are in hand, stall bookings are being handled by the office, there are some spaces for stalls and pitches. The Lead Councillor thanked the office staff for their work. Santas grotto will be in St Marys church, activities in the Methodist church and a craft fayre in the Riley Smith Hall. b) To receive an update from the lead Councillor on the Visa & Nationwide, Lets Celebrate Towns Funding. This item was discussed higher up the agenda				
E/27/19	ASSET MANAGEMENT a) To consider a memorial at the Stutton Road and Middlemiss Allotments Resolved: More research required, move to the next appropriate meeting. Unanimous b) To consider cycle routes in Tadcaster. Discussion over Cycle tracks, members expressing that improvements can be made, anything to help bring more cycles through the town will help the community. Discussion around previous plans for an East to West connection to be explored and increase use of the viaduct. If other land owners agree then look at progressing with a public right of way connection including a cycle track. Resolved: Cllr Sweeting to speak to local landowners to find out if they would be open to a cycle route across their land and also add a discussion over cycle routes to the next Council meeting agenda. Unanimous c) To consider EV charging in Tadcaster. A discussion surrounding the problem of not having any public Ev chargers in the town, due to the layout of the town and lack of off-street parking many houses are not able to have charging points put into their own properties. Members questioned if new developments proposed in the town could be asked to provide public EV charging points. Could larger businesses be approached? -Sainsburys says Tadcaster are on their list, but not high priority. Questions need to be asked of NYC, as EV chargers were part of the bus park upgrade.				

	Resolved: to e-mail NYC Cllr Poskitt, asking if she could pursue Ev charging provision in Tadcaster with NYC and come back to the council with an update. Unanimous d) To consider the results of Yorkshire in Bloom and the positioning of the plaque. Feedback received that we should increase the amount of year-round plants. Weeds were commented on, but this seems to be a county wide issue. Resolved: to display the plaque outside the Ark. Unanimous. e) To consider replacing the existing waste / dog bins on the riverbank. Resolved: to recommend the purchase of 2 double and one small bin to replace 3 bins to the next appropriate meeting. Unanimous
E/27/20	POLICY & GOVERNANCE – a) To consider the revised Allotment Rules and Regulations and the addition of a Pond Request Policy Form. Resolved: to approve the Allotments Rules and Regulations and adopt the Pond Request Policy Form. Unanimous.
E/27/21	CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED a) To consider a report from a member of the public – HM Government, Global biodiversity loss, ecosystem collapse and national security. Action: Cllr Bowgett to review the Town Councils Biodiversity policy, taking into consideration this report. Resolved: Food security to be an agenda item at the next Emergency planning sub committee. Unanimous b) To note a consultation event invitation: Proposed residential development at the land to the north of Edgerton Drive, Tadcaster – Wednesday 7 October 3pm-7pm, Riley-Smith Hall. Noted c) To note the York and North Yorkshire Council Inclusive Communities Joint Coordinating Group Hate Crime Awareness Week 2026 Monday 12th – Friday 16th October 2026. Noted
E/27/22	To consider agenda items for next meeting. Clover leaf junction (A162/A64 Intersection) Emergency Planning sub Committee meeting and Emergency Plan Community Projects Working Group
E/27/23	To note date, time and location of next meeting. 3 November 2026, 7pm at the Ark

The meeting closed at 20:08