

# HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

Minutes of a meeting of Haxby Town Council held on Monday 15 April 2024 at 7.30pm  
in the Oaken Grove Youth and Community Centre, Haxby.

**Present:** Cllr. R. Pearson – Chairman  
Cllr. G. Cockburn – Vice-chairman  
Cllr C. Cooper  
Cllr I. Craven  
Cllr I. Cuthbertson  
Cllr T. Fisher  
Cllr A. Hollyer  
Cllr E. Pearson  
Cllr T. Richardson  
Cllr J Secker  
Cllr G. Stow  
Cllr. I. Thompson

**Also present:** Alan Draper (town clerk), Jane Grant (cemetery clerk), Joanne Pratt (administrative officer), Kathryn Jukes (planning advisor), Julian Ridge (City of York Council’s Highways and Transport Department) and four members of the public.

## 165/2023 Apologies for absence

**RESOLVED** that apologies and the reason(s) for absence were received and accepted from:

- Cllr D. Geogheghan-Breen
- Cllr C. Hogg

## 166/2023 Chairman’s welcome

The chairman introduced the two new members of council staff and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 167/2023 Declarations of interest

Cllr T. Fisher declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 6 – “Planning applications” due to his role as vice-chair of the Planning Committee at City of York Council.

Cllr. J. Secker declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 10 – “Grant application” due to her role with the applicant.

## 168/2023 Public question time and participation

A member of the public raised the matter of the cumulative effect of housing developments and that it should be included in City of York Council’s local plan.

## 169/2023 Local Transport Plan – City of York Council

Julian Ridge from City of York Council provided an update on the local transport strategy.

## 170/2023 Planning applications

*Cllr T. Fisher left the meeting at this juncture.*

*Cllrs I. Cuthbertson and A. Hollyer also left the meeting at this juncture.*

### a) 23/00160/OUTM – Land to the south of Rose Cottage Farm

**RESOLVED** to raise objections to this application, in accordance with the advice of the council’s planning advisor.

**b) 24/00325/FULM – Land adjacent to railway line, Towthorpe Road**

**RESOLVED** to support this application but with concerns, e.g. primarily the localised impact of the proposed station.

*Cllr T. Richardson voted against the resolution and Cllr G. Cockburn abstained.*

*At this juncture Cllr T. Fisher returned to join the meeting.*

**171/2023 Minutes – full council meeting**

**RESOLVED** to approve and accept the minutes of the previous full council meeting held on 5 March 2024.

*Cllrs I. Craven and T. Richardson abstained.*

**172/2023 Minutes – committee meetings**

**RESOLVED** to accept the minutes and confirm the recommendations within of the following:

- Planning Committee meeting – 4 March 2024
- Amenities Committee meeting – 4 March 2024
- Finance Committee meeting – 5 March 2024
- Events Committee meeting – 5 March 2024

**173/2023 Rural Market Town Group**

**RESOLVED** not to join the Rural Market Town Group.

**174/2023 Grant application**

**RESOLVED** that the grant application from Wigginton Primary School PTA be declined.

**175/2023 Request for funding – Amenities Committee**

**a) Replacement of noticeboard outside the Memorial Hall**

**RESOLVED** to accept the quote to replace the noticeboard.

*Cllr G. Cockburn voted against the resolution.*

**b) Defibrillators**

**RESOLVED** that two defibrillators (and cabinets) be procured and installed, i.e. at the Parvin restaurant and another suitable location.

**176/2023 Coffee catering pod request**

**RESOLVED** that the request to have a coffee catering pod on the Ethel Ward site be declined.

**177/2023 Corporate risk assessment**

**RESOLVED** that this item be deferred.

**178/2023 Payments – April 2024**

**RESOLVED** that the payments for April 2024 be approved.

**179/2023 Biodiversity**

**RESOLVED** that this item be deferred.

**180/2023 Exclusion of public and press**

**RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it is in the public interest that the press and public be excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw.

**COUNCIL IN PRIVATE SESSION**

**181/2023 Staffing**

**a) North Yorkshire Pension Fund**

**RESOLVED** that all staff be auto-enrolled into the North Yorkshire Pension Fund.

**b) Laptops**

**RESOLVED** that three laptops be procured.

**182/2023 Legal proceedings**

*Cllr T. Richardson left the meeting at this juncture.*

**RESOLVED** to request a deferment.

**183/2023 Councillor's conduct**

**RESOLVED** to accept and reimplement the monitoring officer's recommendations.

*Cllr E. Pearson abstained.*

**184/2023 Date of next meeting**

**RESOLVED** that the next meeting of full council will be held on Monday 20 May 2024 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 10.30pm.

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

**Chairman**