

HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

Minutes of a meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 2 March 2026 at 6pm in the Haxby Town Council office, Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby.

Present: Cllr R. Pearson (chairman)
Cllr G. Cockburn
Cllr C. Layfield
Cllr J. Secker
Cllr C. Cooper (non-committee member)

Also present: Alan Draper (town clerk) and one member of the public

A96/2025 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED that apologies and the reason for absence were received and accepted from Cllr G. Stow.

A97/2025 Chairman's welcome

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

A98/2025 Declarations of Interest

Cllr G. Cockburn declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 6 (Ethel Ward playing field and pavilion).

A99/2025 Public question time and participation

No issues were raised.

A100/2025 Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED to approve and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 February 2026.

A101/2025 Ethel Ward playing field and pavilion

a) Informal working party to assist with fundraising for the Ethel Ward site

RESOLVED that:

- Cllr R. Pearson will attend the North Yorkshire Sport onboarding training with Liz Henley.
- A tender process will be undertaken for the new court surface.
- The ongoing court surface maintenance will be addressed in due course.

b) Review of the pavilion fire risk assessment and to consider another quote in respect of fire escape

RESOLVED to accept the quote to resolve the fire escape issues.

c) Request for funfair to attend at the site

RESOLVED to approve the request for the funfair to attend the site from 23-30 March 2026 for a charge of £600 with a possible future increase.

d) New play equipment

RESOLVED to recommend the play equipment quote to the full council for its consideration.

A102/2025 Allotments

RESOLVED that the recommendations within the allotments officer's report be approved.

A103/2025 Tree request

RESOLVED that as the tree concerned does not belong to the council, there be no objection to it being trimmed/reduced.

A104/2025 The Village – parking issues

RESOLVED that a polite reminder letter be issued to the resident concerned.

A105/2025 The Village – digging request

RESOLVED that the request from Openreach to conduct some digging on the Village be approved.

A106/2025 Benches

RESOLVED that a walkabout on the Village be held after the next meeting to identify possible locations for benches.

A107/2025 Planters

RESOLVED that:

- Cllr R. Pearson will arrange for the two current planters to be treated and planted.
- A walkabout on the Village be held after the next meeting to identify possible locations for further planters to be donated by Haxby Traders.

A108/2025 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.

COMMITTEE IN PRIVATE SESSION

A109/2025 Grass cutting tender

RESOLVED that the tender from MAH Garden Maintenance be accepted for the period 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029.

A110/2025 Next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the committee will be held on 13 April 2026.

The meeting closed at 7pm.

Signed Date
Chairman