HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby YO32 3HT

AGENDA FULL COUNCIL MEETING

1 September 2025

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Haxby Town Council to be held on Monday 8 September 2025 at 7.30pm in the Oaken Grove Youth and Community Centre, Haxby.

Yours faithfully,

Alan J Draper Town Clerk

Recording of Meetings

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, members of the public may now film, photograph and make audio recordings of the proceedings of the formal council meeting, though not, under current legislation, of the public participation session, as this is not part of the formal agenda of the meeting. Recording activity should be respectful to the conduct of the meeting and behaviour that disrupts the meeting (such as oral commentary) will not be permitted.

1. Apologies for absence

Members are asked to receive apologies for absence for this meeting and to approve the reason(s) for absence.

2. Chairman's welcome

The Chairman will welcome councillors and residents to the meeting and will remind all present of the council's civility and respect pledge.

3. Declarations of interest

Members are asked to receive declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 Part III and the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

Members are reminded that should you declare a pecuniary interest at a meeting, it is your responsibility to inform the monitoring officer.

4. Public question time and participation

Members of the public are advised that they are welcome to ask questions about items on the agenda. It is not always possible to give a verbal response at the meeting and questions may receive a written reply. No resolution can be made under this item.

Questions should relate to matters of town council policy or practise and not relate to the individual affairs of either the questioner or any other named person.

5. Minutes - council meetings

To approve the respective minutes of the council meeting held on 14 July 2025 and the extraordinary council meeting held on 4 August 2025.

6. Minutes - committee meetings

To receive the minutes of the following committee meetings:

- Planning Committee 7 July 2025
- Amenities Committee 7 July 2025
- Planning Committee 4 August 2025
- Finance Committee 13 August 2025

7. Grant application – temporary post office

To consider a grant application from Haxby & Wigginton Youth & Community Association for up to £6,000 to support a temporary post office at Oaken Grove Community Centre.

8. Grant applications

To consider the following grant applications and the according respective recommendations from the Finance Committee:

- a) Grant application from Wigginton Recreation Hall regarding the production of a booklet to celebrate the hall's 90th anniversary (recommendation: decline).
- b) Grant application from 'The Wednesday Club' for £180 towards the cost of the coach hire for a Christmas day trip for local pensioners (recommendation: approve).

9. Police report

To consider the latest police report regarding Haxby and the issues to raise with Inspector Plumb at the Wigginton Parish Council meeting on 17 September 2025.

10. Broadband telecoms (20) poles in West Nooks, Haxby - consultation

To consider a consultation from Quickline Communications regarding the installation of 20 poles in West Nooks, Haxby, as part of the government's full fibre broadband roll out.

11. Recording of council meetings policy

To review the recording of the council meetings policy and to consider the inclusion of the pre-requisite that those persons recording any meeting must announce it at the commencement of the meeting and in such circumstances the council will make its own (separate) recording.

12. Planning bill

To consider the government's proposed planning bill and to authorise any resultant action(s) accordingly.

13. Events

To consider the following events, three of which have according recommendations from the Events Committee:

- 'World Kindness Day' on 13 November 2025.
- A Yorkshire Day celebration on 1 August 2026 including awarding the freedom of Haxby to deserving members of the community (recommendation: approval)
- A Haxby Proms event on 21 June 2026 (recommendation: approval)
- An 'Open Garden' event in May or June 2026 (recommendation: approval).

14. River Foss Society

To consider joining the River Foss Society.

15. Request for letter of support from Haxby Traders Association

To consider a request for a letter of support from Haxby Traders Association regarding further (decorative) lights and planters along York Road.

16. Pavilion at Ethel Ward playing field

To review progress on the future of the pavilion and to authorise any action(s) accordingly.

17. National Joint Council (NJC) pay award 2025-26

The town clerk to report accordingly.

18. Internal audit report 2024-25 - non-material recommendations

In accordance with minute no 49/2025, to consider the Finance Committee's review (minute no F23/2025) of the non-material recommendations from the internal audit report for 2024-25.

19. Internal auditor 2025-26

To appoint the council's internal auditor for 2025-26.

20. Payments - August and September 2025

To reaffirm the payments for August and to approve the payments for September 2025.

21. Payments - quarter 1, 2025-26

To reaffirm the payments for the first quarter of 2025-26.

22. Exclusion of public and press

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable and in the public interest that the public and press be excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw.

23. Legal proceedings

To receive an update on the legal proceedings brought against the council by an individual and to authorise any further action deemed necessary.

24. Next meeting

To confirm the date of the next full council meeting on 20 October 2025.