

Thornaby Town Council

**Council Meeting Minutes from meeting held on:
Monday 27th January 2025 at 18.30
At Thornaby Town Hall, Mandale Road, Thornaby, TS17 6AW**

FC-25-489	NOTICE OF MEETING: The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
FC-25-490	IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Ian Dalgarno Cllr Glenn Eastick (Vice Chairman) Cllr Mark Fairbairn Cllr Steve Godwin Cllr Ray Godwin Cllr Les Hodge (Chairman) Cllr Julie Hodge Cllr Mick Moore Cllr Steve Walmsley Cllr Sylvia Walmsley Town Clerk Pam Danks – Minute taker Caretaker Rob Dunn
FC-25-491	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Phil Genery NO RESPONSE: Cllr Richard Eglington Cllr Tina Large
FC-25-492	CODE OF CONDUCT: Nothing to update
FC-25-493	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Leanne Oxley and Jade Conway from Stockton Borough Council Sport and Active life team attended asking for support with a new initiative held in Victoria Park each Saturday morning. Can they use the Hall for 8 x Saturdays FOC. IT WAS RESOLVED: That this can be allowed to encourage children to attend.
FC-25-494	MINUTES OF MEETING: To resolve that the minutes of the following meeting minutes are a true and accurate record: Monday 25 th November 2024 Proposed: Cllr Sylvia Walmsley Seconded: Cllr Mark Fairbairn IT WAS RESOLVED: That the minutes dated 25 th November were a true and accurate record.

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FC-25-495	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: 1. <u>Items completed since last meeting:</u> Gate plaques returned & installed. Both flagpoles serviced and flag on roof replaced. Exterior cement around windows and plant removal completed. Clocktower exterior lighting installed Additional CCTV cameras installed Window pane on stairwell replaced Umbrella Hugs Grant paid awaiting receipt. Original radiator missing thermostats. These have been fitted by SBC 2. <u>Items still awaiting completion</u> Awaiting quote for cleaning of Aldermans robe. Lantern window pane & Civic Door rehanging – Still awaiting date from Old Town Entrance door refurbishment – GT Signs advising will be March/April IT WAS RESOLVED: Vineyard Church WW1 memorial can remain in the church but the Council need to be informed of any change of ownership or accessibility for the public to the memorial. An email has been sent and records kept.
FC-25-496	FINANCE: To consider and approve the following: - Income & Expenditure since last meeting & Accounts Due for payment. IT WAS RESOLVED: That the Income & Expenditure & Accounts due for payment were a true and accurate record. - Thornaby Litterpickers grant application IT WAS RESOLVED: That this should be granted. - Brownies Community Chest application. IT WAS RESOLVED: That this should be granted. - Rangers Community Chest application. IT WAS RESOLVED: That this should be granted. - Rainbows Community Chest application. IT WAS RESOLVED: That this should be granted. - Messy Play Community Chest application. IT WAS RESOLVED: That this should be granted. - Thornaby Girl Guides made a late application which was after the Agenda was sent out. IT WAS RESOLVED: That this should be granted. IT WAS RESOLVED: That we should provide refreshments for the RAFAC post church service event which will be in the Civic Chamber
FC-25-497	PLANNING ADVICE: IT WAS AGREED & CONFIRMED: That the SBC lists for both Planning Applications and delegated lists have been circulated by email. - Thornaby Council did raise an objection against plans to change the use of the current Town Centre post office into a fast food outlet. - A meeting with Stockton Borough Council is to be held on 4th February at the Town hall to be shown the plans for the Teesdale development.

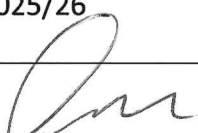
FC-25-498	CHAIRMANS PROPOSAL: Cllr Les Hodge The Town Hall needs to be placed into a guardianship or trust for the people of Thornaby to ensure that it remains open and maintained by all future Councils and is not sold for profit. IT WAS RESOLVED: To investigate the feasibility of creating a trust relating to the Town Hall via legal methods.
FC-25-499	INVITATIONS/ EVENTS Can Councillors please respond to invites via email so the Town Clerk can respond on their behalf and inform of attendees.
FC-25-500	TOWN HALL BUILDING: - Roof leaking above room 8. Investigated and we have missing slates and flashing. IT WAS RESOLVED: to allow Corinthia to complete all the necessary works to ensure the roof is sound. - Clockface lighting, old timer mechanism can't be altered. IT WAS RESOLVED: to allow Oakworth to complete the works. - Dumb waiter. IT WAS RESOLVED: to investigate getting it back in working order - Sensors in Kitchen, Ladies toilets and gents on 1st floor need to be checked IT WAS RESOLVED: to allow Oakworth to check the sensors during works on clockface etc. Other items for information only also discussed Further gate plaque found and sent for refurbishment Bin store lock damaged. Replaced Graffiti on back wall – Has been removed. Cllr Mark Fairbairn to get graffiti remover from SBC in future First aid cabinet fitted beside Town Clerks office door for all users of building to use. Needed to be in place due to Hall being fully occupied.
FC-25-501	VICTORIA COMMUNITY HALL: IT WAS RESOLVED: Lease draft needs to be amended to be signed by the Hall trustees. Cllr Phil Genery, Cllr Glenn Eastick & Cllr Steve Walmsley. Town Clerk to request amendments via TBI. Other items for information only also discussed Exterior repairs should be completed this month by SBC CCTV installation was not agreed and we are to investigate other recording methods, but this is to be delayed until FY2025 A late request was received re blinds being required in the Hall. IT WAS RESOLVED: That no decisions would be made on the balance of Bread & Butter monies until the lease is signed. IT WAS RESOLVED: That the Fob entry system and blinds can be installed but not until the lease is signed. IT WAS RESOLVED: that Little Sprouts can use the hall for the Youth café twice per month.



FC-25-502	THORNABY TOWN HALL ARCHIVES. Team are holding a 200th Railway Anniversary event on 5th April in the Civic Chamber. Social media designs are under way.
FC-25-503	TOWN HALL TENANTS: Mrs Mopps move from room 10 to room 6: IT WAS RESOLVED: To keep room 6 as a Council room and to be furnished accordingly. Room 9 Ad Astra. Accident resulting in injury and will need to take time to recover IT WAS RESOLVED: To allow the tenant to keep the room until she is well enough and forego any rent owed in support.
FC-25-504	SPITFIRE ROUNDABOUT: Simon Dale No further update since works planned for Spring. SBC have been contacted by Simon about necessary safety plans around the roundabout to allow works to take place
FC-25-505	THORNABY DEFIBRILLATORS: 3 new Defibs & cabinets ordered via Cromas and all now installed as per below. - Woodside Grange care home, Eltham Crescent - Victoria Hall - Town Hall All include bleed kits and are registered on the Circuit and will be weekly checked to ensure they remain available. A list of all defibs in Thornaby has been collated.
FC-25-506	THORNABY PRIDE: Cllr Steve Walmsley - Spring 2025 edition under preparation. - Cath Harrison – Remembering Thornaby member. Funeral is Tuesday 28th January @ St Patricks Church. - Stockton information Office would like to receive copies of each edition going forward. This has been arranged - Thornaby show – Horticulture competition categories and traders request can go into this edition. - Dibbles Memorial service will also go in spring edition.
FC-25-507	HAROLD WILSON PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENT Spring start date probably in March.
FC-25-508	THORNABY STORIES PUBLICATION. - Copies of both of the books have been delivered to all Thornaby Schools. - Mayor & Mayoress are delivering to nursing homes when visiting them. IT WAS RESOLVED: That we will not reduce charges to allow for postage costs to other retailers. Book sales are strong enough to allow for current outlets to continue as currently.
FC-25-509	VE DAY ANNIVERSARY THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2025 A small reception in the Civic Chamber can be held if required.



FC-25-510	DIBBLES BRIDGE 50th ANNIVERSARY: WEDNESDAY 27th MAY 2025. • NYCC are very interested in our plans and we are having another call with them to discuss their plans and try to advertise the event further. • Invites to all known family members, persons known who were involved at the time of the incident and local MP's have been sent. Now collating acceptances for catering numbers • Initial catering number of 150 people sent to Goldleaf catering, this can be amended when real figures known. • Liturgy prepared and order of service to be printed by GT Signs • St Pauls have confirmed a native species small growing tree can be planted. Awaiting their decision on what type of tree is to be purchased. • Town Clerk to order memorial plaque to be installed beneath the tree when planted. Cllr Steve Walmsley to provide wording for the plaque
FC-25-511	THORNAFEST 2025 SATURDAY 19TH JULY 2025 • Wristbands ordered and Town Clerk to provide document for those issued out for sale. • Next Events team meeting Wednesday 19th February @ Cricket Club
FC-25-512	VJ DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST 2025 No update
FC-25-513	THORNABY SHOW 2025 – 80TH ANNIVERSARY – SUNDAY 31ST AUGUST 2025 • Meeting with Coopers fun fair arranged for Wednesday 5th Feb to confirm pricing and layout for this years event • 1 of the traders marquees is already full.
FC-25-514	CLERKS REPORT: • Utilities have all become up for reagreement for both Town Hall and Victoria Hall. Agreements reached via Bionic and savings achieved. • The cenotaph plaque engraved with the missing name has been completed in the wrong place by the company who completed it and this will be rectified free of charge as this was their error. Town Clerk to notify the RAF when it has been completed properly and a dedication service can be arranged. • CZ events is going to use the same layout for this years Carols event as we used in 2024 and use barriers and fencing to ensure pedestrians are kept away from the road. • Town Clerk has applied for the SBC singing Xmas tree but we wont know for some months if we have it or not. • Investigating possibility of having somewhere for Santa and his helpers to have again to give our the selection boxes. • Possibility of having stalls on the car park this year and extend the timing of the function to commence at 5pm with the Carols starting at 6.30pm All the non Catholic primary schools have been invited to join in with this years event by the singing of Carols. No responses as yet
FC-25-515	TO RECEIVE MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making. •
FC-25-516	CONSIDERATION OF OTHER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING Meeting dates for 2025/26



FC-25-517	NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON: Full Council Meeting Monday 24 th February 2025 @ 6.30pm
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Meeting closed at 2015

Pamela Danks

7th February 2025

SIGNED TO CONFIRM ACCURATE:



DATED: 24/2/25.