

Thornaby Town Council

**Council Meeting Minutes from meeting held on:
Monday 24th February 2025 at 18.30
At Thornaby Town Hall, Mandale Road, Thornaby, TS17 6AW**

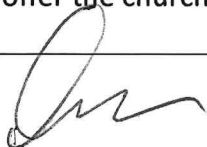
FC-25-518	NOTICE OF MEETING: The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
FC-25-519	IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Mark Fairbairn Cllr Les Hodge (Chairman) Cllr Julie Hodge Cllr Mick Moore Cllr Steve Walmsley Town Clerk Pam Danks – Minute taker Caretaker Rob Dunn
FC-25-520	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Ian Dalgarno Cllr Glenn Eastick (Vice Chairman) Cllr Phil Genery – On holiday Cllr Steve Godwin – On holiday Cllr Ray Godwin – On holiday Cllr Sylvia Walmsley Cllr Richard Eglington Cllr Tina Large. A notice of request for exemption has been received who has long term health issues which have forced non attendance for the last 6 meetings. NO RESPONSE:
FC-25-521	CODE OF CONDUCT: Nothing to update
FC-25-522	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Gareth McManus from Harewood Primary school attended asking for support in resolving the ongoing triple parking issues being encountered daily on Eric Avenue, Thornaby when the school day starts and ends IT WAS RESOLVED: Town Clerk to contact SBC Highways and ask them to investigate this situation and put in some method of parking controls as yellow lines are not working. Pedestrian barriers the length of Eric Avenue have been discussed.
FC-25-523	MINUTES OF MEETING: To resolve that the minutes of the following meeting minutes are a true and accurate record: Monday 27 th January 2025

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	Proposed: Cllr Steve Walmsley Seconded: Cllr Mark Fairbairn IT WAS RESOLVED: That the minutes dated 27th January 2025 were a true and accurate record.
FC-25-524	FINANCE: To consider and approve the following: Income & Expenditure since last meeting & Accounts Due for payment and paid in January 2025. IT WAS RESOLVED: That the Income & Expenditure & Accounts due for payment and paid in January were a true and accurate record.
FC-25-525	PLANNING ADVICE: IT WAS AGREED & CONFIRMED: That the SBC lists for both Planning Applications and delegated lists have been circulated by email. Thornaby Council to raise an objection to the plans submitted for a drive thru at the Asda petrol station on Allensway.
FC-25-526	INVITATIONS/ EVENTS - Mayor & Mayoress attending Recar & Cleveland Ball at Guisborough Hall - Early intervention training 26th February at Town Hall. Town Clerk to send out reminder to all Councillors.
FC-25-527	CHAIRMANS PROPOSAL FOR TOWN HALL BUILDING TRUST: Cllr Les Hodge No update from Solicitor yet.
FC-25-528	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: <u>Items completed since last meeting:</u> Roof repairs TV for presentations in place Dishwasher in place awaiting connection Fridge for events in place <u>Items still awaiting completion</u> Lantern above stairwell. Waines are coming to quote as Old Town didn't respond. Will need to install scaffolding first for safety. Awaiting return of repaired & cleaned Mayors robe. Civic Door rehanging – DWH property now completing. Original pin method cannot be used. Will need to be hinges. Entrance door refurbishment – GT Signs advising will be March/April Refurbished plaque installation location: IT WAS RESOLVED: Town Clerk & Caretaker can decide where to hang, must be in prominent location. Installed on Mayors Parlour door.
FC-25-529	TOWN HALL BUILDING: Faith in God international church use of Civic Chamber each Sunday. £80 for 3 hours IT WAS RESOLVED: This would interrupt other events held on Sundays which are annual events. We can offer the church the use of Victoria Hall @ £15 per hour used.

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	• Thornaby RAF Silverware. Middlesbrough Council have offered a long term loan of the items to Thornaby. IT WAS RESOLVED: That to accept this would then acknowledge their claim that the silver was belonging to Middlesbrough and this is not the case. Town Clerk to involve the Archive team to look for documentation proving the items belong to Thornaby. Proof of decision to return the items to Stockton/ Thornaby has been sent to Middlesbrough.
FC-25-530	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. • New memorial plaque for Head Wrightson now ready for fabrication. GT signs are okay to install, and £3k promisory note received from the remembrance group involved.
FC-25-531	TOWN HALL TENANTS: • Mrs Mopps staying in room 10, some repainting and remodelling completed by Caretaker. They are aware room needs to be white again when and if they leave.
FC-25-532	VICTORIA COMMUNITY HALL: • Exterior repairs should be completed this month by SBC • Need to sign surrender of previous lease signed by trustee's • New lease being drafted with 3 trustee's ready to sign
FC-25-533	SPITFIRE ROUNDABOUT: Simon Dale • No update
FC-25-534	THORNABY DEFIBRILLATORS: • Cromas given notice to cease weekly checks as from week ending 6th April, but we will retain them for new installations and any spares. • Caretaker to commence checks from following week
FC-25-535	THORNABY PRIDE: Cllr Steve Walmsley • Spring 2025 edition will be out at the end of March
FC-25-536	HAROLD WILSON PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENT • No further update. Town Clerk to ask again for a start date.
FC-25-537	THORNABY STORIES PUBLICATION. • No further update • Pavilion are returning 12 boxes of unsold books.
FC-25-538	VE DAY ANNIVERSARY THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2025

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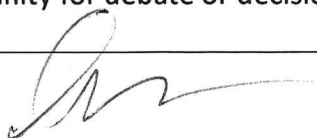


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	IT WAS RESOLVED: A small service at the cenotaph to be planned with post reception in the Civic Chamber of the Town Hall.
FC-25-539	DIBBLES BRIDGE 50th ANNIVERSARY: WEDNESDAY 27th MAY 2025. - Tree type has been confirmed as being a Malus evereste (white apple blossom tree). IT WAS RESOLVED: Tree to be purchased as soon as possible and planted. - Mark Nozedar from SBC has offered to plant and add support posts. Caretaker to arrange - Wording for plaque to go under the tree has been agreed. - Buffet pre ordered for 150 but can amend closer to event date.
FC-25-540	THORNAFEST 2025 SATURDAY 19TH JULY 2025 - Fairground and food provider agreed as Frank Smith who also does Hardwick festival. - Cricket club considering having cans only outside, bar will be available for those who wish to purchase also. To be decided before next events meeting in March. - Andys man club confirmed as attending event. Suicide awareness. - Town Clerk has sent out mailshots to local businesses looking for sponsorship. 3m deep x 6 m long Banner on fencing surrounding Cricket pitch: £200 per banner. 3m deep x 6 m long Banner on fencing surrounding event: £200 per banner. 3m deep x 6 m long Banner front of mainstage: £500 per banner.
FC-25-541	VJ DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST 2025 No update
FC-25-542	THORNABY SHOW 2025 – 80TH ANNIVERSARY – SUNDAY 31ST AUGUST 2025 Tables and chairs for marquee's. IT WAS RESOLVED: To keep getting the chairs from the pavilion as they are FOC Rings for performances to be separated. Need to order more corner posts and stakes for fencing IT WAS RESOLVED: To order 6 more corner posts Not much response re military vehicles etc for main field. Town Clerk has emailed.North East military vehicles asking for assistance. Meeting with Fairground provider completed. They will advise what they are able to bring. Reconfirmed rates for attractions via letter. No exceptions.
FC-25-543	BATTLE OF BRITAIN 85TH ANNIVERSARY – SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2025 No update
FC-25-544	CAROLS ROUND THE LAMPS – FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2025 - Non Catholic school invitations to sing – No responses - Singing xmas tree applied for with SBC - Phil Day singers booked to support general singing. Not during childrens parts. IT WAS RESOLVED: To retain the event as a small event based on Carol singing.
	CLERKS REPORT: - Council Meeting dates for 2025/26. Town Clerk on holiday for May 19th as the meeting date is early due to Bank Holiday. Other Cllr to do minutes - Councillor vacancy. No applications received by Town Clerk. Decision to Co opt IT WAS RESOLVED: To Co opt John Flynn ex Councillor. Proposed by Cllr Steve Walmsley. Seconded by Cllr Mick Moore
FC-25-515	TO RECEIVE MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.

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	• Funeral for the Churchwarden Mr Steve Durham at St Marks Church this Thursday 6pm
FC-25-516	CONSIDERATION OF OTHER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING
FC-25-517	NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON: Full Council Meeting Monday 24 th March 2025 @ 6.30pm

Meeting closed at 19:45

Pamela Danks

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