



## Thornaby Town Council

**Council Meeting Minutes from meeting held on:**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 at 18.30**

**At Thornaby Town Hall, Mandale Road, Thornaby on Tees, North Yorkshire. TS17 6AW**

<b>2026/10</b>	<p><b>NOTICE OF MEETING:</b></p> <p>The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.</p>
<b>2026/11</b>	<p><b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b></p> <p>Cllr Ian Dalgarno  Cllr Mark Fairbairn  Cllr John Flynn  Cllr Les Hodge (Vice Chairman)  Cllr Terry Muldowney  Cllr Steve Walmsley</p> <p>Town Clerk Pam Danks - Minute taker:</p> <p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:</b></p> <p>Cllr Glenn Eastick - Holiday  Cllr Richard Eglington – Meeting invitation declined, no reason given  Cllr Phil Genery -working  Cllr Ray Godwin - working  Cllr Steve Godwin - Holiday  Cllr Julie Hodge - Illness  Cllr Mick Moore – Hospital visiting  Cllr Sylvia Walmsley - Illness</p> <p><b>MEMBERS ABENT:</b></p> <p><b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That the reasons for absence as given should be accepted. Non prior notification absences will be recorded as absent.</p>
<b>2026/12</b>	<p><b>CODE OF CONDUCT:</b></p> <p>Nothing was updated.</p>
<b>2026/13</b>	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</b></p> <p>No members of the public attended the meeting.</p>

SIGNED TO CONFIRM ACCURATE:

DATED:

2026/14	<p><b>MINUTES OF MEETING:</b></p> <p>To resolve that the minutes of the following meeting minutes are a true and accurate record: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Proposed: Cllr Steve Walmsley Seconded: Cllr Mark Fairbairn</p> <p><b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That the minutes dated 19<sup>th</sup> January 2026 were a true and accurate record.</p>
2026/15	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:</b></p> <p>RAF silver revaluation. An appointment has been made for valuation by auctioneers near York. Town Clerk to deliver and collect. Fee is £99 per item. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED</b> That this needed to happen as per the agreement with MBC, and costs should be accepted</p> <p>SBC return of Mace &amp; Bell. There is no date for return yet but SBC are drawing up an agreement document currently which will need to be signed prior to return.</p> <p>Yarm Town Council support by Town Clerk. Reduced &amp; will be ceasing. Interviews taken place today. PD to support new Clerk where required and continue to claim reimbursement for hours worked.</p> <p>Defibrillator installation on Chesterton avenue. Location agreed but no further update.</p>
2026/16	<p><b>FINANCE:</b> To consider and approve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>January 2026 Income &amp; Expenditure.</i></li> <li>• <i>January 2026 Accounts from Gresham &amp; Gale</i></li> </ul> <p>Proposed: Cllr Les Hodge Seconded: Cllr Steve Walmsley</p> <p><b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That the Income &amp; Expenditure &amp; Accounts due for payment and paid in January 2026 were a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Cllr Steve Walmsley asked that a meeting be arranged with accountants for an update from them on the current status. Town Clerk to arrange</p> <p>FOR DECISION: Tenant rent 3.4% (CPI) increases for 2026/27. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That no increase is required for this financial year, and reviewed in February 2027 for 2027/28 financial year.</p> <p>FOR DECISION: 1st Thornaby Rangers Community chest grant request £250. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this should be accepted and paid 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026</p> <p>FOR DECISION: 4th Thornaby Guides Community chest grant request £250 <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this should be accepted and paid 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026</p> <p>FOR DECISION: Gym Club Community chest grant request £250 <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this should be accepted and paid 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026</p>

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	<p>FOR DECISION: Mandale Mill Community chest grant request £250  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this should be accepted and paid 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026</p> <p>FOR DECISION: Umbrella Hugs Community chest grant request £250.  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this could not be accepted as the group made a request and were paid in November 2025. Town Clerk to advise and ask them to reapply later during next FY.</p> <p>FOR DECISION: Lupus support group Community grant request £5k  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this could not be accepted as the funds in the budget had already been claimed. Town Clerk to advise the applicant</p> <p><b>FOR DECISION:</b> Citizens Advice Bureau - request for funding to set up outreach facility for Thornaby residents. Cllr Sylvia Walmsley. As Cllr Sylvia Walmsley was not present this decision has been deferred to the March meeting</p> <p>Training course email sent by CDALC. No interest received</p>
2026/17	<p><b>PLANNING ADVICE: IT WAS AGREED &amp; CONFIRMED:</b> That the SBC lists for both Planning Applications and delegated lists have been circulated by email.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Cenotaph surrounding area cracks and access issues reported to the War memorial commission. No response received. Town Clerk to follow up.</li> <li>• Update on Lidl site plans and objection sent. No updates seen</li> <li>• Update on Thornaby FC planning application. No updates seen</li> <li>• Update on TSL site and removal of blue plaque. No updates seen</li> </ul>
2026/18	<p><b>INVITATIONS RECEIVED</b></p> <p>A. Harewood Primary – School governorship. All Councillors were sent the email and Town Clerk to respond to the sender and advise that Councillors will respond directly if able to support.</p> <p>B. Umbrella Hugs – View their project. All Councillors are invited to go and view the groups activities on any Thursday evening.</p>
2026/19	<p><b>TOWN HALL BUILDING:</b></p> <p>Emergency in lift. Phone numbers have been added for the Town Clerk and Caretaker should the lift get stuck. They can then arrange Pickering's to attend</p> <p>Town Hall roof repairs/ scaffolding tower. 3 quotes received and viewed. Cllr Mark Fairbairn declared a non-pecuniary interest in this matter and abstained from decision.  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That the 3<sup>rd</sup> quote received should be accepted and arranged for the quoted repairs to take place. Town Clerk to advise business and arrange.</p> <p>Room 9 1<sup>st</sup> tenant (shared office) Would like to move into room 5 as from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026 for £250PM. There is some work required with blinds to be fitted and cleaning and some repainting of damage due to reasons for previous use. This will be completed in interim.  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this move and costs for readying room are acceptable</p> <p>Room 9 2<sup>nd</sup> tenant (Shared office) will be moving to room 10 as from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May.</p>

	<p>Room 10 tenants moving to room 9 as from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May. If the tenants want to swap before this date, then they are able to do so, but changes in rent will become applicable from the 1<sup>st</sup> May. Town clerk to advise all tenants</p> <p>Room 8 repainting. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> The quote received is to be accepted but wait until roof repairs have been completed prior to starting works. The works will be completed over a weekend so the tenant doesn't have to move out.</p> <p>Town Clerk has requested an additional bollard change to removable/ lockable to allow wedding cars access to front of building. No update on costs as yet</p> <p>SBC advise that the reason the radiators aren't operating properly is due to the installation of wireless thermostats which cant connect with the boiler controls due to the thickness of the walls <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> To action normally used electrical company to install wired thermostatic controls due to the problems being caused for tenants.</p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> June partnership ceremony in Civic Chamber: <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That once the new Mayor is appointed in May that they should be asked but there is o hesitation in one of the Councillors being available to do this.</p>
2026/20	<p><b>VICTORIA COMMUNITY HALL:</b> Previous boxing tenant has removed all items stored and Caretaker is now repainting over scuffed paintwork and building additional storage for tenants in place.</p> <p>Athletics Club are using Vic Hall for one event before making final decision on long term</p> <p>Fob entry system needed to record use of the Hall and who by. Currently no real record of entry and exit and times used. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That the quote from the known electrical contractor is to be accepted and installation arranged asap.</p> <p>WIFI: this will be needed to connect the entry fob system to the internet. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this can commence.</p>
2026/21	<p><b>THORNABY TOWN COUNCIL ARCHIVES</b></p> <p>St Peters memorial plaque creation. Meeting arranged for 16<sup>th</sup> March. Update at next meeting</p> <p>Anson &amp; Hudson signs &amp; memorial plaque creation – Cllr Mick Moore advised prior to meeting that he is awaiting quotes</p>
2026/22	<p><b>TTC EVENT DATES 2026</b></p> <p>DIBBLES 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026 - Plans are for an 11am service at the memorial stone and refreshments afterwards inside the Town Hall. <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That the budget for this event is £100</p> <p>THORNAFEST – SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026 1st Meeting held 11th Feb and line up in place with costs for acts reduced.</p>

	<p>Ticket sales are as expected to date.</p> <p>THORNABY SHOW SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026  Size of marquee for refreshment tent ordered same as last year, video tent size reduced.  Traders marquees remain same size. Awaiting confirmation from salvation project that they wish to host refreshment tent again.</p> <p>Childrens climbing wall.  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this should be booked as an additional attraction.</p> <p>Owl display, children learn about the animal and how to look after. Non fly display  <b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b> That this should be booked as an additional attraction.</p> <p>BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026  No decision on pre church service. Discuss in March</p> <p>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2026  No update</p> <p>CAROLS ROUND THE LAMPS FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2026  No update</p>
2026/23	<p><b>TO RECEIVE MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY:</b> Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.</p>
2026/24	<p><b>CONSIDERATION OF OTHER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date of next meeting Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026</li> </ul>

Meeting closed at 19.30