



Thornaby Town Council

Council Meeting Minutes from meeting held on:

Monday 27th April 2026 at 18.30

At Thornaby Town Hall, Mandale Road, Thornaby on Tees, North Yorkshire.

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2026/41	NOTICE OF MEETING: The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.
2026/42	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Ryan from the Thornaby Football Club attended the meeting to give a presentation on an idea for providing match tickets for the residents of Thornaby.
2026/43	IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Glenn Eastick Cllr Mark Fairbairn Cllr John Flynn Cllr Phil Genery Cllr Steve Godwin Cllr Julie Hodge Cllr Les Hodge (Vice Chairman) Cllr Mick Moore Cllr Terry Muldowney Cllr Sylvia Walmsley Cllr Steve Walmsley Town Clerk Pam Danks - Minute taker:

2026/43	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Ian Dalgarno Cllr Richard Eglington – Meeting invitation declined Cllr Ray Godwin - working MEMBERS ABENT: IT WAS RESOLVED: That the reasons for absence to this meeting as given should be accepted. Non prior notification absences will be recorded as absent in line with Council policy.
2026/44	CODE OF CONDUCT: Cllr Sylvia Walmsley declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2026/49 planning applications.
2026/45	Recording of this meeting: In accordance with the openness of local government bodies regulations, photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a Council meeting by any means are permitted. The Town Council accepts no liability for any material created by those recording the meeting.
2026/46	MINUTES OF MEETING: To resolve that the minutes of the following meeting minutes are a true and accurate record: Monday 30th March 2026 Proposed: Cllr Les Hodge Seconded: Cllr Sylvia Walmsley IT WAS RESOLVED: That the minutes dated 30th March 2026 were a true and accurate record. Each page of the document was duly signed by the Chair Glenn Eastick.

2026/47	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: 9th Thornaby Brownies community chest grant request for £250. Update on reason for application. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the application first considered in March was fully explained and the Community Chest grant for £250 could be paid by the Clerk. Spitfire maintenance/ possible repaint. The Clerk has asked that Airborne Colours consider this memorial for repaint when they have availability in their calendar. A reply advising this would happen was received.
2026/48	FINANCE: To consider and approve the following: • <i>March 2026 Accounts from Gresham & Gale</i> • <i>Clerks summary for end of FY 2025/26.</i> • <i>March 2026 Income & Expenditure Clerk spreadsheets.</i> 1. FOR DECISION: St Patricks community grant application £1.5k (revised amount since application in March) IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the Community grant for £1.5k could be paid by the Clerk. 2. FOR DECISION: St Marks Church community chest application £250. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the Community chest grant for £250 could be paid by the Clerk. 3. FOR DECISION: MAC club. Completed wrong paperwork for previous submission. Given Comm Chest for £250. But needs £450. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the application should be resubmitted as a Community grant application by the MAC club and then £200 additional monies could be paid by the Clerk. 4. FOR DECISION: Caretaker annual pay review IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that a 3% increase should be implemented from 1st April in line with contract of employment.

2026/49	PLANNING ADVICE: IT WAS AGREED & CONFIRMED: That the SBC lists for both Planning Applications and delegated lists have been circulated by email. • Pedestrian safety - Mandale & Victoria ward Cllrs. Email received from constituent and Clerk was asked to refer the matter to SBC who could possibly include in the cycle lanes works. • 91 Gilmour St – Access ramp installation. Constituent had called Town Clerk. This needs referring to the Home improvement agency. Cllr Richard Eglington is contacting the resident • Roundabout planters/ planting 5 lamps Acklam road, total fitness and the 2 on Thornaby road A66 entry/exit slips). There is no budget available for such an installation and ongoing maintenance. Town Clerk to contact resident. • Griffin planning application. Cllr Sylvia Walmsley departed the room while this item was discussed. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the application should have an objection raised against it by the Council. • Old Police station refurbishment. No formal plans have been submitted to SBC for review. • Lidl Thornaby Road, any update. No update was received
2026/50	INVITATIONS RECEIVED • Stockton Riverside college performance Wednesday 20th May. See document. Tickets to be requested for Cllr Steve Godwin and Cllr Phil Genery. • Mayor invited to RAFA 18th July 2026 event Toby Carvery, Marton Road. New Mayor will be appointed at the annual meeting where they can then make a decision on attendance.

2026/51	TOWN HALL BUILDING: - Repainting of rooms 5 & 8. Challenging repaint due to water damage in both rooms. Invoice recv'd and paid £2398.20 - Update on Civil ceremony 10th April. Function went very well and the couple gave permissions for images to be used on social media. - Next Civil ceremony 20th June - Plans for wedding showcase. Sunday 11th October. Town Clerk would like to arrange for this event to take place within the Town Hall allowing related vendors to have individual stalls showcasing their wares around the building. It also allows visitors to view the Hall as a location for their ceremonies. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that this should be allowed to proceed.
2026/52	VICTORIA HALL: - Door entry system – awaiting date for fitting by Oakworth. - Indoor camera purchased, awaiting installation. - Kickboxing club. Request to either rent Hall area for sole use, or alternatively keep fold up boxing ring on site IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that this should be allowed to proceed but with conditions to be notified prior to any installation. Town Clerk to contact the Manager with the relevant details.
2026/53	THORNABY TOWN COUNCIL ARCHIVES - UPDATE: Coffee pot plaque – review any Plaque install costs. Plaque wording and format agreed. To be sent for plaque fabrication. - UPDATE: Anson & Hudson signs installation & memorial plaque creation & contribution from Thirteen. Talks are continuing. - UPDATE: St Peters memorial plaque creation. Talks are continuing.

	• Head Wrightson hub. Area of room 1. Archives team have produced a document listing the items required to facilitate the storage of this collection and additional IT equipment and storage items required. This has been presented to the committee involved and a decision is awaited.
2026/54	EVENTS 2026 1. DIBBLES BRIDGE MEMORIAL TUESDAY 27TH MAY 2026 - 51st Anniversary – 11am service and refreshments in Town Hall x 25 ordered. 2. THORNAFEST – SATURDAY 18TH JULY 2026 A. Ticket sales to date are slow but anticipate rise in sales with warmer weather. Cllr Glenn Eastick to arrange for interview with Radio Tees nearer to the event to further promote. B. Line up is now fully agreed and in place with much reduced costs from 2025 event C. Cornerstone having VIP gazebo, they are aware they need to cover the funding of this. 3. THORNABY SHOW SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026 • Advertising banners can be installed as SBC allow up to maximum 6 months display on the areas agreed. • Gazebo cover received ready for event • RBL hosting the refreshment tent and their plans are underway. • Allotment committee hosting the Horticulture tent, along with caretaker and other volunteers.

2026/55	COUNCIL POLICIES FOR REVIEW • CCTV • Complaints • Confidentiality & Disclosure • Council meeting attendance • Discipline & grievance • Equal opportunities • Equality & diversity IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the policies listed were received with the agenda for this meeting and have been reviewed and should be ratified until they are due for review in 2027.
2026/56	TO RECEIVE MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making. • Town Clerk on annual leave Monday 11th May for week. Agenda for 18th meeting will be sent out on Friday 8th May.
2026/57	CONSIDERATION OF OTHER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING • Annual meeting Thursday 7th May 2026 • Full Council meeting Monday 18th May 2026. Town Clerk to add read receipts to future meeting invitations sent via email.

Meeting closed at 20.00