



Thornaby Town Council

Council Meeting Minutes from meeting held on:

Monday 18th May 2026 at 18.30

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

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2026/80	NOTICE OF MEETING: The notice convening the meeting was taken as read and the agenda for the meeting was published on the Thornaby Town Council website: https://thornabytowncouncil.gov.uk/
2026/81	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.
2026/82	IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Glenn Eastick Cllr Mark Fairbairn (Vice Chair) Cllr John Flynn Cllr Phil Genery Cllr Les Hodge (Chair) Cllr Mick Moore Cllr Sylvia Walmsley Cllr Steve Walmsley Town Clerk Pam Danks - Minute taker: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Ian Dalgarno

2026/83	Cllr Richard Eglington Cllr Ray Godwin Cllr Steve Godwin Cllr Julie Hodge Cllr Terry Muldowney 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.
2026/84	CODE OF CONDUCT/ DECLARATIONS: • Cllr Sylvia Walmsley declared an interest in items discussed during the planning section and left the meeting room while they were being discussed.
2026/85	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.
2026/86	MINUTES OF MEETING: To resolve that the minutes of the following meeting minutes are a true and accurate record: Monday 27th April 2026 Monday 7th May 2026 Proposed: Cllr Glenn Eastick Seconded: Cllr Mark Fairbairn IT WAS RESOLVED: That the minutes dated as above were a true and accurate record. Each page of the document was duly signed by the Chair Les Hodge.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

1. Thornaby Football Club presentation and proposal for financial assistance presented at the 27th April meeting.

Cllr Glenn Eastick asked that the Council make a decision on the Thornafest event due to be held on 18th July this year before making a decision on TFC request. Ticket sales have not picked up and are likely to remain low thereby meaning that this year's event could ultimately not be facilitated within budget and asks for consideration on cancellation.

IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that with regret this event should be cancelled.

It was proposed that the balance of monies from the Thornafest event budget of £20k is to be diverted for use in providing assistance via Community chest grants and Community grants.

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IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that this should happen.

The proposal by TFC for a £6.5k Community grant to allow all the Thornaby residents season tickets for each match in Thornaby was then considered.

Proposed: Cllr Les Hodge

Seconded: Cllr Sylvia Walmsley

IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that this should be granted via the Community grant scheme using the monies remaining from the cancelled Thornafest event.

2026/88	FINANCE: To consider and approve the following: • <i>April 2026 Accounts from Gresham & Gale</i> • <i>Clerks summary for April 2026.</i> • <i>April 2026 Income & Expenditure Clerk spreadsheets.</i> Proposed: Cllr Glenn Eastick Seconded: Cllr Mark Fairbairn IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that the accounts be signed as a true and accurate record.
2026/89	PLANNING ADVICE: • Griffin development planning application. Cllr Mick Moore. There has been significant levels of objection to this proposed development and a local residents meeting held at the Griffin. So far 125 objections have been levied with SBC including one from TTC. • Planning application for 2 drive thru restaurants on Eagle site post demolition. Those present felt that two additional takeaways are not what is needed at the location
2026/90	INVITATIONS RECEIVED • Stockton Riverside college performance. Tickets requested will be at the box office. • Meet your Army. 2nd June 10am. Parkmore Hotel. No attendance from Cllrs as yet • Mayor invited to RAFA 18th July 2026 event Toby Carvery, Marton Road. Cllr Les & Julie Hodge will attend. • HDA studios Thornaby – Dance show @ Yarm Alexandra Theatre. Saturday 18th @6pm & Sunday 19th July 2.30pm. if attending PD will need to prebook tickets.

2026/91	TOWN HALL BUILDING: • Moves between rooms 9/ 10 completed. • Room 5 now occupied by former tenant of room 9 • Last empty room on ground floor will be room 11 and can be made available to let should it be required. • Storage items moved to garage 11th May. Robin has agreed to use half storage area. • Thornaby Mace return agreement document sent by SBC. The document was sent to the Chair and Vice Chair for review. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that PD can respond and arrange to sign and arrange date for return of item. • Jimmy Lynas suggestion for event – Cllr Glenn Eastick. This gentleman is requesting use of the Civic Chamber to host a talk re his experiences during his period with armed forces. IT WAS RESOLVED: By all Councillors present by a show of hands, that this should be allowed.
2026/92	VICTORIA HALL: Door entry system – Installed and fobs will be issued to all tenants. Electrical socket which had been burned out by speaker installed by a tenant. Repair arranged and completed FOC by electricians. Kickboxing - email with conditions sent re boxing ring. Item not on agenda due to happening this week: Little Sprouts – Use of outside tap for water supply. This was discussed as they had advised of their investigation of obtaining their own supply IT WAS RESOLVED: by the Trustee's that they should be encouraged to obtain own supply. Vic Hall is on a water meter and should not have the additional costs of watering gardens not belonging to the Hall itself.

2026/93	THORNABY TOWN COUNCIL ARCHIVES Cllr Mick Moore • UPDATE: Coffee pot plaque – review any Plaque install costs. 2 plaques ordered from GT signs, SBC will be installing and don't anticipate receiving any costs for install • UPDATE: Anson & Hudson signs installation & memorial plaque creation & contribution from Thirteen. Meeting Friday 22nd May with SBC and Thirteen to discuss further • UPDATE: St Peters memorial plaque creation. Talks are ongoing re the layout for the plaque. • Head Wrightson hub. Area of room 1. No response from the group as yet re the quote sent.
2026/94	EVENTS 2026 1. DIBBLES BRIDGE MEMORIAL TUESDAY 27TH MAY 2026 - 51st Anniversary – 11am service and refreshments in Town Hall x 25 ordered. Goldleaf catering has ceased trading so PD looking for replacement company to cater. 2. THORNAFEST – SATURDAY 18TH JULY 2026 See item 2026/87. This has been discussed and the event is to be cancelled and all purchased tickets refunded in full. There was recognition that some invoices will still need to be paid in line with booking contractual requirements including the stage set up which is likely to be around £9k. Ticket refunds will be around £850, and performers deposits already paid will also be lost. 3. THORNABY SHOW SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026 • Advertising banners - The banner from the cemetery gates has gone missing, we had 3 in stock so it can be replaced. PD to inform SBC of their installation. Traders marquee 95% full with only 4 spaces remaining inside the 48metre marquee, but outside pitches are not as popular.

	RBL are hosting refreshment tent. 1 of the allotment society hosts of horticulture tent has dropped out, they are looking for a replacement. Horticulture judges arranged. More table coverings will need to be purchased and prize cards are already in place. Video tent size reduced as last year not very well attended. Archive tent same size.
2026/95	COUNCIL POLICIES FOR REVIEW No policies for review this month – Next reviews due in September 26
2026/96	TO RECEIVE MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.
2026/97	CONSIDERATION OF OTHER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING • Full Council meeting Monday 22nd June 2026. Cllr Mark Fairbairn will be on holiday and sends apologies Town Clerk to add read receipts to future meeting invitations sent via email.

Meeting closed at 19:30