



**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY
13 JANUARY 2025 AT THE TOWN HALL, YORK STREET, SELBY**

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PRESENT: Cllrs M Davis, T Beharrell, S Andrew, R Harrison, H Davis and F Matthews

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk and Deputy Clerk

E25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

E26 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interest.

E27 MINUTES

The minutes of a meeting of the Environment Committee held on 7 October 2024 were received. It was noted that these minutes had previously been ratified at Council on 28 October 2024.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Environment Committee held on 7 October 2024 be noted.

E28 NATURE RECOVERY ACTION PLAN

It was noted that there are no new updates on the Nature Recovery Action Plan.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E29 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

It was noted that no further updates have been made to the Climate Action Plan.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E30 NATURE ACTION BADGE

It was noted that a sticker has been sent to all entrants of Selby in Bloom for 2024.

The committee requested a press release is sent to the Selby Times about the bloom competition and the nature action sticker.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. **The update be noted, and**
- ii. **That a press release is sent to the Selby Times about the bloom competition and a the nature action sticker.**

E31

FRIENDS OF GROUPS

It was noted that there have been no new applications to join the friends of groups. The Deputy Clerk will plan and publicise some activity days for the spring and summer months at the Cemetery, Bondgate Woodland and Community Land Pond. These dates will be communicated at the next Environment Committee meeting in March.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. **The update be noted, and**
- ii. **The Deputy Clerk provides information regarding the activity days at the Environment Committee in March.**

E32

WEBSITE

It was noted that the Nature Recovery Facebook page is now set up and this will be added to monthly along with website updates.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E33

PARISH ONLINE

It was noted that members of the Environment Committee have been set up with read only access to the Parish Online site, and that the site must be used for business only purposes.

A demonstration was received of how the site works and view the layer that the Deputy Clerk has added showing the land that the Town Council own and manage.

The Committee members will spend some time viewing the site and will provide feedback at the next meeting in March.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. **The update be noted, and**
- ii. **The Committee members will provide feedback on the site at the Environment Committee meeting in March.**

E33

WILDLIFE HABITAT AND PLANTER

It was noted that the planter is being held in storage until after winter when it will be placed in the cemetery and year round pollinators planted in it.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E34 BRANCHING OUT FUND

It was noted that the fund closed early due to the number of applications so we were unable to make an application this year.

The Clerk and Deputy Clerk will compile a list of sites that could be used for tree planting.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The update be noted, and**
- ii. The Clerk and Deputy Clerk compile a list of sites that could be used for tree planting.**

E35 OUR ZERO SELBY

It was noted that the Clerk met with Our Zero Selby and showed them some land on the Community Field that could be used for tree planting. The cost of clearing the site was considered.

The Committee requested that the Clerk contacts Our Zero Selby to obtain more information on what clearance is needed before and agreement can be made. And to provide a plan of the area that has been identified for the tree planting.

It was noted that a letter has been drafted and sent to allotment holders regarding the compost tumblers that are available through their project. These were sent out with the annual agreements in December.

The Deputy Clerk updated that there had been three people interested in the tumblers. The Deputy Clerk has requested that Our Zero Selby provides feedback on how the tumblers are working.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The updates be noted,**
- ii. The Clerk contacts Our Zero Selby for more information on the site clearance, and**
- iii. A plan of the tree planting area is provided.**

E36 DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday 24 March 2025