



## MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 24 MARCH 2025 AT THE TOWN HALL, YORK STREET, SELBY

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**PRESENT: Cllrs R Harrison, F Matthews, T Beharrell, J Proud and S Andrew**

**IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk and Deputy Clerk**

**E37 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs M Davis and H Davis.

**E38 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

There were no disclosures of interest.

**E39 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on 13 January 2025 were received. It was noted that these minutes had previously been ratified at Council on 27 January 2025.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Environment Committee held on 27 January 2025 be noted.**

**E40 NATURE RECOVERY ACTION PLAN**

The Nature Recovery Action Plan was reviewed. It was noted that the Clerk has added information to the website. Members of the Committee requested that the action plan is added to teams so all members can view it.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. The updates be noted, and
- ii. The action plan is added to Teams

**E41 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN**

It was noted that there are no new updates to the climate action plan.

**RESOLVED: That the update be noted.**

**E42 COMMUNITY ACTIVITY DAYS**

It was noted that the first community activity day will be held on Thursday 29 May in the cemetery.

Members of the Committee requested that we check that our insurance will allow us to hold these days.

**RESOLVED: That the first community activity day is to be held on Thursday 29 May, pending confirmation from the insurance company that this is covered.**

**E43**

**SELBY IN BLOOM**

The theme for Selby in Bloom 2025 and the school drawing competition was considered.

Members of the Committee requested that the Deputy Clerk liaise with the schools to ask what theme they would prefer for the competition. That the bloom competition is judged from photographs and is split into three categories; Gardens, Allotments and Commercial (to include clubs and schools) with prizes being awarded to the gardens/outdoor space that are supporting nature recovery.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. **The Deputy Clerk contacts the schools regarding the theme for the competition,**
- ii. **That the competition is judged from photographs, and**
- iii. **That it is split into three categories; Gardens, Allotments and Commercial (including clubs and schools).**

**E44**

**SUSTAINABILITY CLINIC PROJECT PARTNER**

Cllr F Matthews provided an update on the partnership.

Cllr Matthews has submitted a document providing an overview of the Town Council so that the clinic can identify any projects that they can work on with us.

**RESOLVED: That the update be noted.**

**E45**

**PARISH ONLINE**

The Committee Members provided feedback about Parish Online.

It was agreed that Cllr Matthews is given administration access so that he can create some layers on the map.

**RESOLVED: That Cllr Matthews is given administration access to Parish Online.**

**E46**

**BRANCHING OUT FUND**

It was noted that the list of sites have not yet been compiled. Once completed these will be plotted onto Parish Online.

**RESOLVED: That the update be noted.**

**E47**

**OUR ZERO SELBY**

It was noted that Our Zero Selby have withdrawn their interest in planting on the Community land due to extensive clearance being needed before the planting can take place.

The Mayoral Investment Highstreet Fund proposal was received by Committee Members. The Environment Committee agreed that it is an interesting proposal but that the details need more work before the Council could get fully behind it. They asked the Clerk to respond, and request that we would like to be kept updated with the project, so we can see how we can fit in with our environmental work to support the high street.

**RESOLVED THAT:**

- i. **The update be noted, and**
- ii. **The Clerk responds to Our Zero Selby and asks that they keep the Town Council updated with the progress of the project.**

**E48**

**INVITATION TO COUNCIL MEETING**

Cllr Beharrell advised the Committee that Cllr Baumann is available on some Mondays. The deputy clerk will contact Cllr Baumann to arrange a meeting, either face to face or over Teams.

**RESOLVED: That the Deputy Clerk contacts Cllr Baumann to arrange a meeting.**

**E49**

**DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Monday 7 July 2025  
Monday 6 October 2025  
Monday 12 January 2026