



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

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PRESENT: Cllrs M Davis, S Andrew, F Matthews, T Beharrell and R Pope.

IN ATTENDANCE: Deputy Clerk

E1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE
Cllr M Davis was appointed Chair and Cllr R Harrison was appointed Vice Chair.

E2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from Cllr J Proud, S Shaw-Wright and R Harrison.

E3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS
There were no disclosures of interest.

E4 MINUTES
The minutes of a meeting of the Environment Committee held on 24 March 2025 were received. It was noted that these minutes had previously been ratified at Council on 31 March 2025.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 24 March 2024 be noted.

E5 COUNCILLOR BAUMANN
The dates that the Committee are available for a Teams meeting with Cllr Baumann were considered. Committee members have opted for 4 September via teams.

RESOLVED: That the Deputy Clerk contacts Cllr Baumann to arrange a teams meeting on the evening of 4 September via teams.

E6 NATURE RECOVERY ACTION PLAN
It was noted that the Nature Recovery Action Plan is now saved in Teams. The Deputy Clerk is adding to the Plan as actions are completed.

Cllr Matthews advised the committee of the upcoming consultation on the North Yorkshire & York Local Nature Recovery Strategy that they may be interested in attending.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E7 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

It was noted that the Climate Action Plan is now saved in Teams.
There are no updates to the Climate Action Plan.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E8 COMMUNITY ACTIVITY DAYS

It was noted that the Community Activity Day was held in the Cemetery on Thursday 3 July 2025.

The insurance company has confirmed that they will cover the public for light gardening work in the communal areas but not on the individual grave sites.

The Deputy Clerk updated that there were two volunteers in attendance and that they are interested in coming back to another activity day.

Committee requested that the Deputy Clerk plans a schedule of activity days throughout the year, on different days and times.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The update be noted, and
- ii. The Deputy Clerk plans a schedule of activity days throughout the year, on different days and times.

E9 SELBY IN BLOOM

It was noted that Selby in Bloom competition was judged week commencing 30 June 2025. The presentation day is planned for 10 July 2025.

The Deputy Clerk updated that the Primary School artwork competition was a success with three schools entering with over 270 pieces of artwork submitted.

There was little interest in the Bloom gardens and allotments competition with fewer entrants than last year.

Committee agreed that the Bloom competition should be reviewed for 2026.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The update be noted, and

- ii. **The Deputy Clerk plans a review meeting for 2026 Bloom competition.**

E10 SUSTAINABILITY CLINIC PROJECT PARTNER

Cllr Matthews provided an update on the partnership that is due to commence in September.

Cllr Pope asked if there was budget for the Town Council to invest in diffusion tubes to monitor air quality in the Town. Committee requested that Cllr Pope produces a report to discuss at the next Environment Committee meeting.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E11 PARISH ONLINE

It was noted that Cllr Matthews has been given access to parish online to create layers, and that a new layer has been created showing residents who have been sent a nature recovery champion window sticker.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

E12 TREE PLANTING PLAN

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.

E13 ALLOTMENT TUMBLERS

The email from Our Zero Selby regarding the allotment tumblers was received.

RESOLVED: That the email was received.

E14 DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday 6 October 2025
Monday 12 January 2026
Monday 23 March 2026