



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF SELBY
TOWN COUNCIL HELD MONDAY 26 JANUARY 2026 AT THE
TOWN HALL, YORK STREET, SELBY**

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PRESENT: Cllr J Proud, M Dyson, T Beharrell, M Lawton, F Matthews,

S Andrew, R Pope, S Shaw-Wright, M Davis and K Franks

122 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

123 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr C Laskey, K Arthur, W Nichols and H Davis.

124 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

125 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

125.1 Council

The minutes of the meeting of Council, held on 24 November 2025 were considered.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of Council, held on 24 November 2025 be approved as a correct record.

125.2 Updates from last meeting

CCTV improvements – Community Safety & CCTV (North Yorkshire Council)

Work is underway to upgrade all the existing analogue cameras to digital. This will provide better quality images for surveillance and evidence. This includes cameras in Selby, Tadcaster & SIE.

Make use of the NYNET fibre network to reduce costs of running on BT fibres. The monitoring will be brought inhouse via the CCTV Control Room at Harrogate. The current contract with a third party provider is due to expire at the end of March 2026.

Police airwaves are already in place.

Evidence will be provided digitally via a NICE NYP Cloud based system so no need for officers to travel to Harrogate for reviews or evidence.

The Shopwatch radio scheme will also be moved across so that users of the scheme in Selby can talk to operators direct – deal with incidents live ie shoplifting.

The CCTV service will be working with local NPT's to promote the service nearer to the 'go live' date.

There is a strategic review taking place by NYC for public open space CCTV, happy to update once more information is available.

At the current time there are no plans to increase the number of cameras.

Cameras are sited at Park Street, James Street, Finkle Street, Gowthorpe, Scott Road, Micklegate, Toll Bridge and Selby Abbey.

Safer Streets – Selby District NPT (North Yorkshire Police)

Additional Areas – outside the town centre

These locations will be reviewed and consider whether they can be included in future phases of the initiative, particularly where e-scooter use and anti-social behaviour have been highlighted.

Anti-Social Behaviour & Street Lighting

While issues such as dangerous parking and bikes without lights are important, parking enforcement does not fall under this scheme. Street lighting is managed by the council, so they are best placed to provide updates on improvements in that area. We do however work closely with the road safety team who have been running an operation call Op Dark Night that was targeting these issues force wide with days of enforcement.

CCTV Improvements

Significant upgrades have been made to the town's CCTV system. These include improved camera coverage and the introduction of 24/7 live monitoring, which Selby has not had for several years. This brings Selby in line with other towns across North Yorkshire and York and represents a major step forward for public safety.

Speed Indicator Devices – From Area7 (North Yorkshire Council)

This has been raised several times over the last couple of weeks so a report is going to be prepared in the New Year for members to decide on the future of community owned VAS/SID's.

There will be a press release issued if there is a decision made that results in a change to the existing policy.

E scooters – Selby College

The college run a number of compulsory sessions for young people including one on our Goals (Tutorial) sessions which is designed by the charity Break which focuses on Road Traffic Collisions and has a specific focus on E scooters alongside motor bikes mopeds and cars.

They also have a College Safety Week which is happening this week – so will reiterate the key messages around e-bike/scooter safety with the young people.

School Congestion – Highways (North Yorkshire Council)

Unfortunately, we see some form of increased vehicle activity outside most schools across the area at the school pick up and drop off times. There is nothing the Highway Authority can do; any waiting restrictions will just push the vehicles that do collect children elsewhere which doesn't resolve any issues it just moves them along. I am aware that the schools tend to only let the school buses on the premises at drop off and collection times as a health and safety measure for the children.

That been said, if parents are parking in such a way as to cause an obstruction, compromise safety then it is a traffic offence and North Yorkshire Police have powers under Regulation 103 of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986 'No person in charge of a motor vehicle or trailer shall cause or permit the vehicle to stand on a road so as to cause any unnecessary obstruction of the road' to issue a fixed notice penalty. So, it may be prudent to raise with the local constabulary or PCSO as they may attend a few mornings/afternoons to speak to the parents who are parking inconsiderably.

Leaflets have been sent schools regarding parking.

Council requested that the Clerk contacts North Yorkshire Council, Selby and Ainsty area Committee to request that there is a joined up approach on the above issues, where North Yorkshire Highways work with the police to ensure public safety around issues of streetlighting and congestion outside schools.

Council requested that the Clerk contacts North Yorkshire Highways to ask that the leaflet they have produced contains information on not leaving the engine running on a car when waiting to pick their children up from schools. A member of council requested that the schools are contacted to ask if the school children could be involved in handing the leaflets out as this has proven to have more impact when done at a local school.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The updates be noted,**
- ii. The Clerk contacts Selby and Ainsty Committee to request a joined up approach between North Yorkshire Highways and the police,**
- iii. The Clerk contacts North Yorkshire Highways to ask that their leaflet is updated with information regarding switching off car engines, and**
- iv. The Clerk contacts the local schools to ask if the children could be involved in handing out the leaflets.**

125.3 Council Special Budget Meeting

The minutes of the Council Special Budget Meeting held on 15 December 2025 were considered. The wording of agenda item 120 resolution points ii and iii has been amended to:

- ii) Cemetery Charges are amended as per the schedule presented at the meeting.
- iii) The awarded land tenants are notified of the increases to rents as per the schedule presented at the meeting.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Council Special Budget Meeting, held on 15 December be approved as a correct record subject to the abovementioned amendments.

125.4 Environment Committee

The minutes of the Environment Committee, held on 12 January 2026 were considered.

Chair of the Environment Committee thanked Cllr Pope for the document that was produced listing the planters around the town.

Council requested that the Clerk contacts North Yorkshire to ask for an update on the camera at Gowthorpe traffic lights.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting, held on 12 January 2026 be approved as a correct record subject to the,**
- ii. The Clerk contacts North Yorkshire Council to request an update on the camera at Gowthorpe traffic lights, and**
- iii. The following recommendation be approved.**

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

E35 SUSTAINABILITY CLINIC PROJECT PARTNER

That a request is made to North Yorkshire Council for a traffic survey to be completed in and around the town due to visible increases in traffic volumes.

126 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

126.1 Email regarding Vehicle Activated Signs

The request regarding VAS was considered. A member of council is aware of the issue and has been in contact with the resident.

Council are unable to fund a VAR on Leeds Road.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The correspondence be received, and**
- ii. The Clerk contacts the resident and Keir Mathers office to advise that the Town Council are unable to fund the VAR on Leeds Road.**

127 ACCOUNTS

127.1 Payments

A folder containing all payments made since the last Town Council meeting will be presented to Council. The RBS report detailing the list of payments,

petty cash payments and credit card transactions between 1 – 30 November 2025 and 1 – 31 December 2025 were considered.

The Deputy Clerk updated that the payment to SSE on 01/12/25 was for the 1811 electric and the payment to Fairfax on 11/12/2025 was for the cemetery storage fencing.

Payments for approval over £1,500 are listed below:

N2E - £2,340.00 – Fire Strategy Drawing 1811
N2E - £3,000.00 – Fire Strategy Drawing Town Hall
Christmas Plus - £2,347.20 – Dismantle of Festive Display 30% now due
Groundwork - £1,800.00 – Works to thin the woodland at Bondgate

The following payment made by the Clerk using delegated powers since the last meeting of Council for over £1,500 to be noted

Christmas Plus - £5,476.80 – Installation
Empire - £4,773.00 – Bonfire Security

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The list of payments between 1 – 30 November 2025 in the sum of £82,040.22, the credit card payments made between 1 – 30 November 2025 in the sum of £1,440.61 and the list of petty cash payments made between 1 – 30 November 2025 in the sum of £499.82 be approved,**
- ii. The list of payments between 1 – 31 December 2025 in the sum of £74,372.30, the credit card payments made between 1 – 31 December 2025 in the sum of £934.58 and the list of petty cash payments made between 1 – 31 December 2025 in the sum of £103.94 be approved, and**
- iii. The abovementioned payments over £1,500 be approved.**

127.2 Balances

The balance at the Unity Bank on 31 December 2025 was £929,614.62, the balance at the Lloyds Bank on 31 December 2025 was £10,688.47 and the value of the funds on term deposit are:

- £87,980.29 with Unity Trust Bank Savings Account (Instant Access)
- £85,000 with Unity Trust (12 month term deposit)
- £100,000 with Hinkley & Rugby (90 day notice account)
- £95,726.33 (Bid Market Valuation as of 31 December 2025, Mid-Market Valuation £97,233.43) with Churches, Charities and Local Authorities (CCLA) Property Fund.

RESOLVED: That the balance at the Unity Trust Bank, Lloyds Bank and funds on long term deposit be noted.

127.3 Wedding Virement

There is no virement to transfer funds from the Wedding Budget to the Staffing Budget for December 2025 and January 2026.

Virements – Wedding Budget £500		
Details 2025/26	Cost £	Balance against Budget
Balance b/fwd.		£500.00
December 25	£0.00	
January 26	£0.00	
Balance		£500.00

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

128 TRAINING

128.1 Staff Training

It was noted that there has been no staff training completed.

128.2 Councillor Training

It was noted that there has been no councillor training completed.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

129 POLICIES TO BE REVIEWED

It was noted that there are no policies due to be reviewed.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

130 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's report was received from the Deputy Clerk.

Clr Franks thanked Cllr Proud, Cllr Harrison and the staff for their contribution and work at the Christmas Market.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

131 INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

The report from the internal auditor was received.

The Deputy Clerk confirmed that there are no outstanding amounts due from or to HMRC. The portal has been checked and all payments match.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. **The audit report was received, and**
- ii. **That the update regarding the payments to HMRC be received.**

132 BOUNDARY REVIEW

It was noted that the boundary review has been published and that subject to approval by parliament the boundaries will be effective from May 2027.

Cllr Matthews provided an overview of the changes to council.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

133 SHOP FOR THE FUTURE

The project summary was received.

Council noted the summary but did not agree to sign the letter of support.

RESOLVED: That the project summary be noted.

134 PLANNING CONSULTATION RESPONSES

134.1 Planning Consultations

The report on Planning Consultations dealt with under delegated authority since the last meeting of Council was received.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

134.2 Planning Application

The following planning application was received:

ZG2025/1238/FUL Conversion of first and second floor to form 3 No flats. The Wedding Shop, 8 The Crescent, Selby [ZG2025/1238/FUL | Conversion of first and second floor to form 3 No flats | The Wedding Shop 8 The Crescent Selby YO8 4PD](#)

Council requested that the Clerk responds asking that the application should ensure that the front of the building is treated sympathetically and that vehicular access is prohibited at the rear of the building.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk responds to the application asking that the application should ensure that the front of the building is treated sympathetically and that vehicular access is prohibited at the rear of the building.

135 PRIVATE SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the Public and press will be excluded from the meeting for the discussion of the following exempt business.

(Items 136 to 138).

136 FIRE COMPARTMENT SURVEY

The quotation for the Fire Compartment Survey remedial works was received.

Council asked that a report is presented at the next Land and Property Meeting outlining the timeline and appropriate costs.

RESOLVED: That the Facilities Manager provides a report for Land and Property Meeting in March.

137 SALARIES AND OVERTIME

The December 2025 and January 2026 Schedule of Salary Payments were approved.

RESOLVED THAT:

- i. The December 2025 Schedule of Salary Payments in the sum of £22,808.49 be approved, and
- ii. The January 2026 Schedule of Salary Payments in the sum of £21,743.90 be approved.

138 SUPPORT FOR REFUGEES IN OUR COMMUNITY

Cllr M Davis provided an update.

RESOLVED: That the update be noted.

139 There was no item 139 in the agenda.

140 CLOSURE OF MEETING AND DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday 16 February 2026	Finance & Staffing Committee
Monday 23 February 2026	Council
Monday 9 March 2026	Town Hall Management Committee
Monday 16 March 2026	Land & Property
Monday 23 March 2026	Environment Committee
Monday 30 March 2026	Council