

**Minutes of the Meeting of Thirsk Town Council
held on Monday, 15 September 2025 at Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall**

Present: Cllrs: F Potter (Chairman), D Duffey, S Holme, K Mountford,
A Robinson, A Trueman

Apologies: Cllrs: B Smith, D Southward, S Ward, K White

C1687 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

C1688 Police Report

There was no police representative in attendance, nor had a police report been received.

**C1689 Reports on Matters Relating to Thirsk
North Yorkshire Council**

Cllr Dadd was not in attendance at the meeting.

C1690 Open Forum

Resolved: that standing orders be suspended

Mr Tony Jordan provided a projects summary for Thirsk in Bloom. This included autumn planting, Town End Corner, Herriot Hospice baskets and the Rotary picnic area. It was also noted that weeds were an ever-present problem and that the matter needed addressing. The Clerk advised that he would approach North Yorkshire Council regarding weed spraying.

Resolved: that standing orders be reinstated

C1691 Minutes

C1691(a) Town Council Meeting held on 18 August 2025

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 18 August 2025 be approved as a correct record.

C1691(b) Matters arising

C1685 Double Devolution - Thirsk Market

The Clerk advised that he and Cllr Ward had met with the Chairman and Clerk of Northallerton Town Council and had advised that the Town Council did not want to pursue double devolution if this could be achieved without affecting Northallerton Town Council's market bid.

C1692 Committee Minutes and Reports

C1692(a) Planning Committee – Minutes of Meeting held on 18 August 2025.

The meeting received the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 August 2025.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 August 2025 be received and noted.

C1693 Burial Board Minutes, Report, Applications for Memorials

No memorial applications had been received.

C1694 Correspondence/Items Raised

C1694(a) Irish Music Festival – British Championships

The meeting received an email dated 15 August 2025 from Mr Dominic Byrne who introduced himself as being involved in an organisation which promotes Irish traditional music and dance and was hoping to bring such an event to Thirsk in the future.

Resolved: that Mr Byrne be advised that the Town Council would be interested in pursuing the event.

C1694(b) Parking & Waiting Amendment No 42 Order 2025 – Norby Estate

The meeting received an email dated 18 August 2025 from North Yorkshire Council stating that the above order was introduced on 25 August 2025.

Resolved: that the email be noted.

C1694(c) Litter – Thirsk Market Place

The meeting received an email dated 2 September 2025 from Mrs J Peckitt concerning the state of the pavement outside Bianco's restaurant.

Resolved: that Bianco's restaurant be approached to discuss the matter.

C1694(d) The Local Government Boundary Commission for England: Public Consultation

The meeting received an email dated 2 September 2025 from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England regarding draft divisions of boundaries.

Resolved: that the email be noted.

C1695 Accounts for Payment

Resolved: that the accounts for payment as at 15 September 2025 be approved and cheques signed.

C1696 Reports from Members/Representatives

The Clerk advised that the Millenium Green Trust had no active Trustees and accounts had not been submitted for a number of years. He had contacted the Charity Commission and had put his name forward as point of contact to be able to move the matter forward.

The meeting closed at 7:50 p.m.

Chairman