



ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee held at **6pm** on **Tuesday 3rd June 2025** in the Function Room of the Town Hall, Sherwood Drive, New Ollerton

Present: Cllrs D Batey, A Brazier, L Brazier, J Munroe, L Shilling

Mrs K Wakefield – Town Clerk

Mr P Munday – Admin Assistant

Apologies and reasons for absence: Cllrs P Beedle and M Staley for personal reasons & Cllr R Fazil due to work

Resolved: That these apologies be noted

Declarations of Members Interests: None

Declarations of any intentions to record the meeting: None

Due to the absence of the Chair & Vice Chair, Cllr L Brazier, as Chairman of the Council, opened the meeting and it was

Resolved: That Cllr J Munroe chair the meeting.

ENV/25/21 To note the following were elected at the Annual Town Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025:

Chairman: Cllr Paul Beedle

Vice Chairman: Cllr Mark Staley

ENV/25/22 To approve the Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Tuesday 22nd April 2025 (enclosed).

The minutes, having been previously circulated, were signed as a true and correct record.

ENV/25/23 Amenity Work – Grass cutting, litter picking, street cleaning etc

1. To receive any relevant updates

The Clerk reported that we now have 2 seasonal workers who are settling in well.

ENV/25/24 Amenity Space and Play Areas

1. To receive an update on the installation of a Youth Shelter at Central Park

Discussion took place regarding the proposed siting of the Youth Shelters and it was agreed that a further site visit will take place on Wednesday 4th June.

2. To receive any relevant updates on repairs and maintenance.

The Clerk reported that repairs have been carried out on the screen and carpet on the Toro equipment on Whitewater playground.

3. To receive any updates on Mill Field

Nothing to report

ENV/25/25 Cemetery

1. To receive any relevant updates

The Clerk reported that with reference to the purchase of the adjacent land our solicitor is currently liaising with the 3rd party's solicitor to try to move this forward.

ENV/25/26 War Memorial Gardens

1. To receive any relevant updates

The Clerk reported that they had been in contact with the Environment Agency and had been advised that they do not display warning signs. There had been no further reports of anti social behaviour but the area was being monitored.

ENV/25/27 St Giles Churchyard (Closed)

1. To receive a verbal report from the Clerk

The Clerk gave a brief report on a meeting with the Vicar and Church Warden of St. Giles Church, and reported on their intention to install a stair lift to aid access to the church.

The Clerk also reported that, after the closure of the Church Yard in 1997, The Town Council took the option of taking responsibility of maintaining the Churchyard, including the trees, pathways and wall adjacent to the public highway. These responsibilities were confirmed after consultation with NALC and ICCM.

The Clerk also reported that we are awaiting quotes for the removal of branches overhanging the highway.

ENV/25/28 Allotments

1. To receive a report on current tenancy

The Clerk reported that there is currently only one vacant plot, and a recently reported issue of a potentially offensive flag being displayed has been resolved and the flag removed.

ENV/25/29 Trees

1. To receive any updates from the Town Clerk

The Clerk reported that they have reviewed the most recent tree survey and is in the process of getting quotes for the relevant tree works, including those on Griffin Road (adjacent to the phone mast) and St Giles Church.

ENV/25/30 Biodiversity & Environmental Issues

1. To receive updates on the NSDC "Greening" project.

The Clerk reported that the NSDC Greening Project has been carried out in and around Boughton, and noted that a site visit with NSDC regarding the project may lead to similar projects around Ollerton.

ENV/25/31 Date and Time of Next Meeting – Tuesday 15th July 2025 at 6pm