

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Shildon Town Council held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 11th November 2024.

Present: Councillor S Quinn in the Chair
Councillors K Ambrosini, D Reynolds, S Luckhurst, D Childs, M Johnson, R A Bell, D Bell and P Quinn.

Two members of the public in attendance.

TC 100/24 Notice of Meeting

The Notice convening the Meeting was taken as read.

TC 101/24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors N Hanratty, H M Hanratty, A Farlow, D L Mather, G Mather, W Keal and A Turner.

TC 102/24 Public Question Time

There were no questions from members of the public.

TC 103/24 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

TC 104/24 Members' Dispensations

No written requests for dispensations had been received.

TC 105/24 Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 14th October 2024 be approved.

TC 106/24 Committee Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the following Committees be approved and adopted:-

a) Service & Amenities - 14th October 2024

b) Resources - 14th October 2024

TC 107/24 HR Committee Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the HR Committee held on 10th October 2024 be approved.

Signed
Chairman

TC 108/24 Presentation of Mayoral Award

Councillor S Quinn presented the following Mayoral Award for recognition of dedication and support to the local community.

- November Award – Mike Amos

Resolved that the Mayoral Award be received.

TC 109//24 Police Report

The Town Clerk presented details of the crime statistics for the month of October 2024.

The Town Clerk informed Members that the police staffing levels in Shildon had decreased due to a number of factors and that a PCSO was also to leave the Shildon Neighbourhood Team.

Resolved that:

- a. the report be received.
- b. Shildon Neighbourhood Policing Team be approached to include monthly comparison statistics in the police report.
- c. a letter be sent to the Chief Constable, Durham Constabulary, requesting an update on policing levels in Shildon.

TC 110/24 Durham County Councillor Updates

Councillors M Johnson and S Quinn provided an update to Members on an unauthorised encampment at Sunnydale, Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre and Remembrance Day Services.

Resolved that:

- a. the Durham County Councillor updates be noted.
- b. thanks be extended to everyone who took part in the Remembrance Day Parades on Saturday 9th November and Sunday 10th November 2024.
- c. Durham County Council Chief Executive be contacted to provide an update on Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre.

TC 111/24 Town Councillor Updates

Councillor D Reynolds informed Members that a community meeting was to be held on Thursday, 14th November 2024 at the Shildon Civic Hall to discuss the S&DR Bicentenary Celebrations 2025. Councillor S Quinn and the Town Clerk had attended a meeting with DCC to receive an update on bi-centenary plans.

Signed
Chairman

Resolved that the Town Councillor updates be noted.

TC 112/24 Announcements

Resolved that the schedule of mayoral engagements and announcements by the Town Mayor and Town Clerk be received.

Signed
Chairman