

Minutes of the meeting of the Resources Committee held in the Council Chamber, Civic Hall Square, Shildon, Co Durham on Monday, 20th July 2026.

Present: Councillor D L Mather in the Chair
Councillors S Townsend, S Quinn, S Luckhurst, S Hall, A Farlow, S Ring, T Hillary, N Cleasby, D Gisby, D Bell, R A Bell, N Hanratty, and P Quinn.

R 17/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors D Thompson.

R 18/26 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

R 19/26 Members' Dispensations

No written requests for dispensations had been received.

R 20/26 Budgetary Control Statement for June 2026

The Town Clerk gave a brief statement for the absence of a report and outlined the current developments.

Resolved that the statement be noted.

R 21/26 Grant Aid

No Grant Aid applications had been received.

R 22/26 Accounts

Recommended that the accounts awaiting payment and accounts paid in advance for the month of June 2026 in the sum of £67,151.92 be approved.

R 23/26 Bank Reconciliations

The Town Clerk gave a brief report for the last financial month. Due to the current situation, there was no bank reconciliation to submit.

Recommended that the report be noted.

R 24/26 Live Music Festival – Hackworth Park

The Town Clerk advised Members that an application had been received from Northern Productions Ltd to host a live music festival in Hackworth Park, Shildon, on Friday, 4th June 2027 and Saturday, 5th June 2027.

Northern Productions Ltd would be responsible for the management and consequent cost for the festival. The Town Council would carry no financial responsibility for the event and would replicate the arrangements that had existed in previous years.

It was proposed by Councillor P Quinn and seconded by Councillor S Hall and

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Recommended that:

- a. the report be received.
- b. Northern Productions Ltd be granted permission to host a live music festival in Hackworth Park on Friday, 4th June 2027 and Saturday, 5th June 2027.
- c. Northern Productions Ltd be required to consult with the Durham County Council Safety Advisory Group.
- d. ground rent of £500 plus VAT be levied for the use of the land/pavilion within Hackworth Park on Friday, 4th June 2027 and Saturday, 5th June 2027.
- e. that residents living within the immediate area be notified of the event(s) 4 weeks prior to them taking place.
- f. Direct Works place yellow cones along the road and side streets to alleviate parking issues.

R 24/26 Exclusion of Press and Public

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100(A) 4 & Schedule 12A para 3 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council now excludes the press and public on the grounds of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to the public.

R 25/26 HR Matters

Resolved that all recommendations by the HR Committee held on the 6th July 2026 were agreed by full Council.

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