

North Yorkshire Council

Thirsk and Malton Area Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 18 December 2025 commencing at 10.00 am.

Councillor Caroline Goodrick in the Chair and Councillors Nigel Knapton and Malcolm Taylor.

Officers present: Alan Goforth - Principal Planning Officer, Nicki Lishman - Senior Democratic Services Officer, David Walker - Development Service Manager and Laura Zielinski - Solicitor Lawyer Planning and Environment.

Apologies: Councillors Joy Andrews, Alyson Baker, Lindsay Burr MBE, Michelle Donohue-Moncrieff and Greg White

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

216 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Baker, Councillor Taylor substituted and Councillors Andrews, Burr, Donohue-Moncrieff and White.

The Chair confirmed the meeting was quorate and could proceed.

217 Minutes for the meeting held on 16 October 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 October 2025 were agreed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

Voting record

2 For

1 Abstention

218 Declarations of interests

The Chair made a personal non-pecuniary and non-prejudicial declaration on behalf of the Committee, as they were all colleagues of Councillor Lindsay Burr, the spouse of the applicant.

219 ZE25/01109/REM - Erection of 5no. dwellinghouses on land at Sutton Grange, Langton Road, Norton on Derwent

The Head of Development Management sought determination of a reserved matters application for the erection of 5no. dwellinghouses on land at Sutton Grange, Langton Road, Norton, North Yorkshire.

The application was reported to the Area Planning Committee for determination as it had been submitted by the spouse of Councillor Lindsay Burr MBE.

The Principal Planning Officer advised Members that a late representation had been received from a member of the public, who raised concerns about the capacity in the Malton and Norton sewerage system. The officer advised that the Local Planning Authority (LPA) was considering a reserved matters application of the appearance, layout, scale and landscaping on this application and that the principle of drainage arrangements was not a reserved matter, so was not for consideration. There were Yorkshire Water conditions on the outline application from 2020, which were carried forward on the Section 73 granted earlier this year. Those conditions 14, 15 16 on the Section 73 permission were extant and remained to be discharged.

In addition, the draft National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) had recently been released by government. As this was a draft it carried very little weight, however the officer advised that the recommendation should be amended to a “minded to” decision and to delegate authority to officers to determine the application to subject to the assessment of any implications in the draft NPPF and subject to the conditions listed in the report.

Mr Graeme Holbeck, Agent, spoke to the application.

Councillors agreed that the development raised no issues or concerns and confirmed the principle of development, including the drainage and sewerage issues raised, had already been considered at outline stage. Councillor Knapton proposed and Councillor Taylor seconded that Members were minded to approve the application.

Decision

That Members were unanimously minded to approve the application and to delegate authority to officers to determine the application to subject to the assessment of any implications in the draft NPPF and subject to the conditions listed in the report.

220 Any other items

There were no items of urgent business.

221 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 10am on Thursday, 22 January 2026.