



## BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the BLYTH TRUST FOR YOUTH meeting held at 6.00 pm on Tuesday 6 January 2026, in the Members Room, Arms Everyne House, Blyth, NE24 2AS.**

**Present:**

**Councillors:** R Baker, M Peart, and N Rolls.

**Officers:**

E Brown (Deputy Town Clerk).

Blyth Town Council is the corporate trustee for Blyth Trust for Youth. The Trust Committee consists of five members of Blyth Town Council. The Committee is **not** a Committee of Blyth Town Council, and the members of the Committee are not Trustees.

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1	<p><b>Appointment of Chairman for the meeting</b> It was resolved to appoint M Peart as Chairman for the meeting.</p>
2	<p><b>Apologies</b> D Swinhoe</p>
3	<p><b>To consider proposed amendments to the Trust Deed</b> Members agreed to proposed amendments and would recommend to the Town Council for ratification. The proposed amendments are attached as Appendix 1.</p> <p>This would enable the Council to proceed with opening a dedicated bank account for the charity.</p>

The meeting closed at 6:28

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ON THE TRUST**

R Baker, M Peart, and N Rolls, D Swinhoe, and J Woods.

## **Appendix 1 - Trust Deed Amendments.**

### **Paragraph 2**

Amend to:

The Trustee is the sole Trustee of the Charity

Throughout document replace plural 'Trustees' with 'Trustee'

### **Clauses**

#### **Clause (3) – Bank Accounts**

Amend to:

Signing and authorisation arrangements delegated under the Council's financial regulations.

#### **Clause (6) – Annual Grant Budget**

Amend to:

Decision made by the Trustee or a properly authorised committee/officer of the Trust.

#### **Clause (7) – Advertising for Applications**

Amend to:

Trust may publish notices by such means as it considers appropriate, including digital publication.

#### **Clause (8) – Decision-making & Majority Votes**

Amend to:

Decisions shall be taken by the Trust in accordance with its adopted procedures, subject to charity law duties.

#### **Clause (9) – Interviews and Selection**

Amend to:

- Trustee may delegate interviews to an authorised committee or officers.

- Final decision remains with the Trustee.

## **Clause (10) – Conflicts of Interest**

Amend to:

If a member or officer of the authorised committee is related to an applicant and is present when the application is considered the conflicted member or officer should withdraw from decisions relating to the application.

## **Clause (12) – Appointment of Trustees**

Replace with:

The Trustee of the Charity shall be Blyth Town Council or such body appointed as Trustee by the Town Council, or such successor body as may by law assume the councils' functions.

## **Procedural Regulations (Clause 13)**

### **Clause 13(b)**

- (b) Quorum requirements – There shall be a quorum when three Trust Committee members are present at any meeting but provided that no grant shall be approved without the consent of a least four Committee members.

### **Clause 13 (j)**

Delete co-operative trustee section of this clause