
Kirkbymoorside Town Council

Information for the meeting on Monday 21 September 2026

12. To consider the requests by the Kirkbymoorside Community Support Group to:

- a. transfer ownership to the Town Council of flags and flagpoles used to promote and enhance the town and town events, approximated asset value of £4,000.**
- b. transfer of responsibility for the seasonal installation and subsequent removal of flag poles and flags, approximated annual cost of £600**
- c. storage of flags and flagpoles between seasons**

Due to resources (once grant funding runs out), and health issues, I'd be grateful if the Town Council would consider from next year (2027) 'taking over' the responsibility for the seasonal installation and removal of town brand and music festival flags and flag poles (designed to fit into Christmas tree holders) and the storage of them in between seasons. Ownership of the resources would pass to the Town Council from the Kirkbymoorside Community Support Group.

Contractor costs (to put up and take down flag and flag poles, would be in the region of £600 a year: this year that is covered by the grant, but we have no funding for it next year. The new flag poles made by RACK Systems cannot be dismantled for storage, and the flags have been sewn onto rotation tubes (so can't just be folded up) and there is not room in my loft to store them now (plus we're not well enough to climb up into it) and I have no other storage available.

I think you'd agree they enhance the town and the visitor experience, and it would be a shame after all the time, money and effort that has gone into them not to continue to use them!

Kind regards,

Jean



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Subsequent to deferred consideration at the Ordinary meeting dated 20 July 2026 the group's constitution/rules and the following information related to finances has been provided:

We are a not-for-profit organisation, with no revenue sources. We have in our account funds from public donations that are ringfenced to provide a free Christmas Dinner for local residents otherwise on their own, a small amount from NYC grants to cover the Kirkbymoorside Town website annual hosting and software fee, and to cover the annual insurance premium: once that runs out, we will have to apply for grants to continue to

operate. We also have the profit from the 2025 and 2026 music festivals which is ringfenced towards the cost of 2027 Music Festival (about £9k less that it costs to put it on).

Although we have been the lead partners in the administration of the Phase II VSHS fund, none of that money has gone through our accounts as you know, and none of that fund will remain after March 2027 for any on going costs associated with maintaining the projects covered by the grant.



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