

WHORLTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 23RD JULY 2025 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Jem Beadle, Steve Brisley, Dolly Hannon (Chair), Jonathan Skidmore and Susie Warriner.

ALSO PRESENT Clerk: Angela Livingstone. 2 residents (part time)

25.74 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES and approve reasons for absence and receive any declarations of interest.
All Councillors were present. There were no declarations of interests.

25.75 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH JUNE 2025 AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AND DISCUSS ANY MATTERS ARISING - The minutes of the meeting of the 11th June 2025 were proposed as correct and approved, minutes were signed by the Chair and the Clerk had added to the website.

25.76 PUBLIC FORUM – No residents attending.

25.77 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

NYM/2025/ 0366 - 4 School Close - Application for construction of single storey rear extension, erection of garden shed, removal of fence and construction of stone wall with gate – No comment.

NYM/2025/0368 - 8 Black Horse Lane - Application for removal of bay window and chimney stack, demolition of existing single storey rear extension and construction of replacement single storey rear extension and re-rendering of dwelling at - No comment

NYM/2025/0403 17 Garbutt Lane - No comment

Two residents came into the meeting, they left immediately following the agenda item, and the Chair agreed to return to the Public Forum agenda item.

25.76 PUBLIC FORUM

A resident commented on their view of the car park which had been opened by Brierley Homes whilst awaiting handover to the Parish Council. She felt that the car park allowed flex and opened up that area of the village. She stated that there should be no restrictions on who can use the parking or what it can be used for. She had monitored the usage and stated that at present there were only around four cars using the parking and those were a mix of residents and visitors.

25.78 CLERKS AND CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

The Clerk informed of correspondence received - NYC information on changes to waste and recycling collections. NYC Highways works - Garbutt Lane and Emerson Close - 09:00-15:00 7th August - Area 2 Spray Injection Patching Carriageway repair works, the quality of this working practice was discussed and the state of the pavement due to cars parking. RESOLVED: Chair to request bollards on the junction of Garbutt Lane and Black Horse Lane to stop the parking on the pavement due to the safety aspect and lack of visibility. NYMNPA combined Parish Forum and Training Event 22.10. A website contact had recently been received from a resident regarding speed limits and the Chair had responded. **ACTION: Chair**

25.79 SWAINBY PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION –

25.79.1 Information had been received that the RoSPA inspection would be completed in September. NYC had not completed the grass cutting which they normally did on an annual contract and after chasing, this had now been cut twice. The Clerk asked that all correspondence received relating to the playing fields had the contact information changed to come direct to her. Thanks were given to Glen Shinwell for stepping in and cutting the grass prior to the Sports Day.

25.79.2 Cllr Skidmore advised that the Sports Day on 21st June had been successful and well attended, 37 children had registered for events which was the highest number for a few years, none were over 12, therefore the events had scaled back to suit the age group in addition to the adults' races which had been well attended. Trophies were not awarded, only medals. It was suggested that the trophies some of which were in poor repair were displayed in the Village Hall display cabinet. The Village Hall were thanked for the loan of tables for the event. Volunteers had supported on the day and whilst there was no formal subcommittee, an informal group on Whats App had formed. Cllr Skidmore stated that checking other local event dates and better advertising had worked well, he thanked Cllr Warriner for her work and support. Accounts for the event to be given to the Clerk and costs to be claimed by Cllr Skidmore. **ACTION: Cllr Skidmore/Clerk**

25.80 POLICE REPORT – The Police Report showed 1-30 June -2 ASB Nuisance.

25.81 ADOPTION OF CLAVER CLOSE CAR PARK AND EV CHARGERS - To agree terms and conditions and agree signage in advance of transfer to the Parish Council.

25.81.1 Correspondence had been received from two residents who requested that the car park should be restricted to visitor use only, one resident considered that the car park should be public, available to all and that the PC has no powers to restrict its use. The Chair had discussed conditions needed in a car park with NYMNPA and found as believed that due to the small number of spaces there was no need for disabled or motorbike parking. Councillors discussed the options for the car park when the Parish Council took ownership and it was RESOLVED: The following conditions would be displayed on a sign - No overnight camping, Vehicles must fit within marked bays, No servicing or washing of vehicles and vehicles were parked entirely at owners risk, the Parish Council did not accept liability. Other signs required were agreed to be four x Priority EV signs and a Blue P sign for the entrance to the car park. It was agreed that the incorrect markings used for the bays were to be accepted and that prices for the EV chargers would be discussed at the September meeting. Chair to price signs and progress. **ACTION: Chair**

25.81.2 The Chair informed that she had met with the Parish Council appointed lawyer and looked through the contract received from Brierley Homes. The lawyer would reword this as this was all written in Brierley Homes favour, he is asking for new agreement when the new meter is installed. Land registry information was still being checked and the lawyer would send his bill to date prior to the September meeting. There was still a concern that no company would discuss the chargers as the Parish Council don't own the site and still uncertainty on the costs. Brierley Homes have instructed for the meters to be changed, and it was hoped that more sensible prices were achieved from what Brierley Homes had signed up to. It was noted that someone was cutting the grass at present, this would be the responsibility of the Parish Council when they took ownership.

25.82 FUTURE PROJECTS

25.82.1 Interpretation panels – The Chair stated that the signs were being stored and she wanted to progress. RESOLVED: Panel 1 – all information on the panel was approved, the Chair confirmed that she would progress illustrations and speak with the History group to see what they have and get them to check details on the information. Panel 2 awaiting response from the enquiry on the paths. **ACTION: Chair**

25.82.2 Beckside tree maintenance – The last tree survey had been completed in November 2020 by Barnes Assoc. There had been some complaints about overhanging trees between Maynard bridge and Church bridge. RESOLVED: Councillors to complete any low maintenance works on 26th July. If there were any concerns for the health of the trees a survey would be organised. **ACTION: Councillors**

25.82.3 Public Rights of Way furniture – It was agreed that NYMNPA had completed some works but there were still concerns on the footbridge having a loose part which was a trip hazard and concerns on the bridge from the playing field and a dangerous stile rear of the vicarage. RESOLVED: To progress. **ACTION: Chair**

25.83 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCILLOR AND PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORT – None.

25.84 FINANCIAL MATTERS

25.84.1 The Clerk presented the financial report, RESOLVED approved by all members.

WPC Account – Payments received – Toilet donations £74.28. Expenditure paid – Clerk monthly salary, bank charges May £0.70. Expenditure to pay – Chuhan & Singh payroll £36. A Livingstone - Employers NI Mar-Jun £89.35 and stamps £6.96. Oliver Cornforth playing field hedge cutting £91.20, AC Hannon-toilet rolls £31.90.

WPC Playing field account – Paid to account – Esk Valley Fell club £300, monthly credits, expenditure paid: bank charges £0.35 & £0.70. Sports Day income and expenditure to be confirmed.

25.84.2 Banking issues

There continue to be issues with who was accepted as signatories with Nat West bank and the address on the account had still not been changed. The advisor had stated that a new mandate request was the best option, this must be signed by two people authorised to sign on behalf of the Business/Organisation. A copy of the minutes of the meeting giving authority to this mandate request, and authorising the Authorised Signatories to sign this mandate request, must be attached to the mandate. RESOLVED: All current Councillors and the Clerk to be included on the new mandate and the Chair Mrs Hannon and the Clerk Mrs Livingstone were given authority to sign the new mandate. **ACTION: Clerk/Chair**

Exclusion of the Press and Public - In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council can RESOLVE that the press and public be excluded from the meeting if required.

Adopted: _____ Date: _____ Chair of Whorlton Parish Council