

## HORTON IN RIBBLESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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### **Minutes of the Meeting of Horton-in-Ribblesdale Parish Council held in the Sports Pavilion on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 7.30pm.**

**Present** – Parish Cllrs Martin Hanson (Chair), Fiona Durham, Thomas Millman, Joan Myers Kathryn Jackson and Lorraine Leary

**Parish Clerk:** Ian Orton

**181/25: Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs James Hudspeth and North Yorkshire Council Cllr David Staveley

**182/25. Code of Conduct – Localism Act 2011 To record any councillor’s disclosable pecuniary interests in relation to any item on this agenda. To consider any changes in members’ register of interests & to consider any dispensations:** None were declared.

**183/25. Minutes of Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024:**

Council resolved to recommend approval of the minutes

**184/25: Matters Arising:** The clerk circulated a revised list of Burial Fees and Charges which was noted.

**185/25: Public Participation:** A member of the public requested that the ‘open’ rubbish bin in the National Park Car Park should be removed as it was sometimes overfilled with rubbish which attracted animals etc. It was confirmed that the recently installed large ‘covered’ rubbish bin was fine.

It was requested that a path of paving stones should be added between the car park and the public toilets. The clerk to notify the National Park.

A member of the public gave an update on the on-line discussion held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 to review anti-social issues in the community. North Yorkshire Police indicated that a community survey would be carried out to determine what were the main concerns arising from anti-social behaviour. Concerns were raised about coach parking and the confusion over where coaches could legally park. The clerk to write to North Yorkshire Council and YDNP to seek guidance. Councillor Leary asked why the Play Area was closed. The clerk explained the background adding he would seek an update on the closure and inform the Council.

**186/25: North Yorkshire Council Reports:** Apologies were received from Cllr David Staveley and an information report from him will be circulated.

**187/25: Notice Boards for Helwith Bridge and Selside:** The clerk reported that a wooden notice board with a Parish Council header to take 4 sheets of A4 would cost around £500. This was noted and the clerk asked to obtain prices of a double fronted wood notice board to take both community and parish council notices.

**188/25: Summer 2024 Newsletter:** The clerk circulated a draft copy of the Summer Newsletter confirming the art work and printing of 350 copies would be around £120. It was agreed that councillors would help distribute the Summer Newsletter.

**189/25: Neighbourhood Plan:** The clerk explained that the new Government had agreed to continue with Neighbourhood Plans and that the basic grant of £10,000 but this would only cover the professional planning support required for the exercise. The Council would also require a Technical Support Grant of £8000 to cover additional costs plus the costs for additional hours for the clerk to manage the project. After discussion it was agreed the project should be reviewed as a possible project for 2025/26.

**190/25: Green Spaces:** After discussion it was agreed the Council would review the Beckside File at the next meeting. The clerk to place this item on the agenda.

**191/25: Planning Application:**

*a) Blind Beck Farm, Horton -in-Ribblesdale, BD24 OHT. C/44/177A: Full planning permission for conversion of barn to dwelling/holiday let with associated parking. After discussion the Council agreed to note the application.*

*b) The clerk confirmed that Horton Ol School had been confirmed as a Asset of Community Value but Horton Old School House had not been agreed as a Asset of Community Value.*

**192/25: Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance:** The clerk confirmed that the solar powered light in the YDNP car park was not satisfactory and had been removed at no cost to the Council. The clerk indicated that a solar powered street light with a powerful enough battery would cost £2951 plus cost of a pole. It was agreed that this was desirable but too expensive at present. The clerk indicated the cost of electricity from npower was in the process of changing for unmetered accounts.

The clerk explained that the call out fee to inspect the broken Traffic Control Indicator was £263.50 and a new one from TWM was £2400 or £3400 if purchased via North Yorkshire Council. Cllr Jackson was organising a meeting with Horton Quarry and it was agreed this item should go on the agenda.

**193/25: Correspondence:** The clerk confirmed that all relevant correspondence had been reported.

**194/25: Police Reported Incidents:** The clerk reported on the 6 reports between 04.07.24 and 12.08.24. Reports ranged from Animal Concern, Safeguarding and Concern for Walkers

**195/25: Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment:** The Clerk reported 7<sup>TH</sup> August 2024 balances of £8073.83 in the Current Account, £6319.05 in the Savings Account and £3528.2 in the Dinsdale Account.

Invoices for Horton Landscape, npower, Robert Davidson, npower, Fnance Statement and Clerk Administration were authorised for payment.

**196/25: Review NALC Financial Regulations:** The Financial Regulations were explained by the clerk and after discussion were adopted by the Council.

**197/25: To determine any Matter not included on the agenda which the Chair considers to be a matter of urgency:** Cllr Myers spoke about the irregularity of the local bus services and concerns the service may be reduced or even stopped. It was agreed the clerk should write to the bus company(s) and NYC to ascertain the full picture and report to the next meeting of the Council.

**198/25: Date of The Next Parish Council Meeting in the Sports Pavilion:  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.30pm**

Signed ..... Date .....