

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 10th February 2025 at 7.30pm.

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

North Yorkshire Councillor: David Staveley

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2 members of the public was present.

403/25: Apologies for Absence: Cllr Thomas Millman.

404/25. 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:
No interests were disclosed.

405/25. Minutes of Council Meeting held on 13th January 2025:
Council resolved to recommend approval of the minutes

406/25: Matters Arising: The clerk reported that the new notice board is being constructed and should be delivered before 31st March 2025. The Chair thanked NYC Cllr Staveley for his support in purchasing the notice board.

407/25: Public Participation: No items were raised.

408/25: North Yorkshire Council Reports: NYC Cllr David Staveley reported on NYC issues including, double council tax for second homes in the region, the more environmentally waste and recycling services which arose as part of the Let's Talk Rubbish consultation, the future of pharmacy services in the region, art swap fresh perspectives in North Yorkshire galleries and suppliers sought to aid decarbonisation across North Yorkshire. Cllr Staveley answered a number of questions relating to services provided by North Yorkshire Council.

409/25: Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment: The Clerk reported 7th February 2025 balances of £8635.57 in the Current Account, £6380.05 in the Savings Account and £334.98 in the Dinsdale Account.

Invoices for the Clerk Administration and salary were authorised for payment. The income from the Helwith Bridge Car Park Honesty Box for December 2024 was £7.15.

410/25: Annual Meeting of the Council: The Chair welcomed the Chair of the Village Hall Committee and the apologies from the Chair of the Playing Fields Committee was noted. The Chair recommended that at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council there should be a session on how the three community partnerships in the parish and the churches were working together and to share plans for the future. It was agreed to help attract parishioners to the Annual Meeting light refreshments would be available.

411/25: News Letter Winter: The clerk tabled a draft of the Winter Newsletter and it was agreed, after discussion that the solar panel photograph on the front page should be replaced by a photograph of the 2024 Christmas Tree and the picture of Horton railway station should be replaced by a photograph of the Village Hall linked to a reference to the Annual Meeting on 12th May 2025. Cllr Jackson agreed to work with the Quarry, who had kindly offered to photocopy the newsletter; and would arrange distribution of the newsletters.

412/25: Green Spaces: Helwith Bridge Car Park and Recreation Area:

a) The clerk requested that the Council consider reviewing Helwith Bridge linked to a site visit in mid-March to ascertain how the facility could be improved. After discussion it was agreed a site visit would be useful.

b) The clerk reported that the Burial Ground Fees and Charges required a review as they did not fully include the charges for a double grave and a double plot. After discussion it was agreed the Fees and Charges should include: **Internment:** Single burial £600 and a double plot £700. For **Exclusive right to burial** a single plot £200 and a double plot £300. It was further agreed the Sexton should be paid £400 for a single grave and £450 for a double plot.

413/25: Planning Application:

a) Application C/44/81C: Colt Park Barn: Additional information: The clerk read out details of the additional information linked to the original application which had been the subject of a site visit by the Chair, Cllr Myers and the clerk. The Council were pleased that the additional tree planting would slightly camouflage the poly tunnel and the changes to the barn were more in keeping with North Yorkshire architecture and accepted there was a need for additional lighting inside the barn. After discussion the Council agreed to inform Yorkshire Dales National Park that additional use of the facility would have an impact on the entrance to the facility from Gauber Road.

b) North Yorkshire Local Plan: The clerk explained the implications of the Call for Sites.

414/25: Planning Decisions: The clerk reported that no planning decisions had been made by Yorkshire Dales National Park.

415/25: Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance:

a) The clerk confirmed that the seven footlight lights agreed at the January Council were now registered with electricity north west on an unmetered supply.

b) Concern was raised about pot holes within the parish and the clerk to report to North Yorkshire Highways.

416/25: Correspondence:

a) St Oswald's Church Proposed Installation of toilet facilities: A representative of the church gave details of the proposal and after discussion it was agreed that tests could be carried out to evaluate the soil in the area of water disposal; and the findings reported back to the Council.

b) Mitre Angling Club: The Chair reported that representatives of the Mitre Angling Club were carrying out maintenance to the stretch of the Ribble in Helwith Bridge where they fish. Concern had been raised the last time such an exercise had been carried out and the Chair planned to meet with the club to discuss the concerns. All members were invited to attend the meeting with the Mitre Angling Club.

417/25: Police Reported Incidents: The clerk reported on the 4 Police reports for January which included two concerns for the welfare of walkers, supporting other police forces plus a sudden death in Selside.

418/25: To determine any Matter not included on the agenda which the Chair considers to be a matter of urgency: No urgent items were determined.

419/25: Date of The Next Parish Council Meeting in the Sports Pavilion:
Monday 10th March 2025 at 7.30pm

Signed

Date