

Washburn Parish Council

Meeting:	Full Council
Date:	6 th January 2025
Venue:	Norwood Social Hall, Norwood
Commenced:	7.30 pm
Concluded:	8.45 pm
Members Present	Cllr G Hebblethwaite (Chair) Cllrs H Barker, A Campbell, J Davison, P Green, A Johnson, G Knox, S Ryder
In Attendance:	Dr J Knowles (Parish Clerk)

70. Apologies

Received from: Cllr F Walkinshaw, K Wilson, N Hull (North Yorkshire Council)

71. Declarations of Interest

Cllr A Johnson declared an interest on Item 77.

72. Minutes for approval

Resolved: the minutes of Full Council held on 4th November 2024 were approved for accuracy by Cllr P Green and seconded by Cllr A Campbell, agreed unanimously and signed by the Chair

73. Ongoing issues

73.1 Kex Gill – Due to the severe weather and significant rainfall the A59 at Kex Gill is currently closed and requires repairs and stabilisation to the southern bank with risk of further materials falling into the carriageway. North Yorkshire Council have applied for a 21-day notice to carry out the works. Road users are being advised to follow the diversion route in place, which is via the A658, A660 and A65 (or by this route reversed). However, access remains for emergency services and residents.

Resolved: that the report be noted

73.2 Electronic Transformer and Lines – Cllr G Hebblethwaite reported that the works in Fewston have not been done as the high voltage switches need to be upgraded – there is no date on when this will be done.

Resolved: that the report be noted

73.3 Commuted Sums – Cllr G Hebblethwaite reported that the Yorkshire Water Rangers team are progressing with works in Fewston Woods. Cllr G Hebblethwaite and Cllr H Barker are looking into a new bench at Meagill Chapel.

Resolved: that the report be noted

74. County Matters

No update

75. Police Matters

The September crime data records 3 incidents: one Burglary at Kex Gill Road and one Burglary at Watsons Lane where no suspect has been identified and the investigations completed; and one Vehicle Crime at North Moor Road where no suspect has been identified and the investigation complete.

In October there were 3 reported crimes: one of Anti-Social Behaviour at Brame Lane; and one Drugs offence and one Violence and Sexual Offence both under investigation at Top Lane.

76. Plans considered since last meeting

The list of plans considered since the last meeting is attached.

Resolved: that the comments be noted

77. Planning Application Decisions

24/03013/FUL Fenestration alterations to dwelling. Demolition of rear porch and erection of replacement porch. Demolition of timber shed. Erection of extension to rear of existing garage and infill extension to front of existing garage. Installation of PV panels to eastern and southern roofslopes of garage. Resurfacing of section of driveway.

Sykes House Farm, Blubberhouses

Approved with Conditions

24/03121/FUL Installation of 2 no. heat pumps to rear of barn/annex building
Cooper House Farm, Norwood

Approved with Conditions

24/03304/FUL Construction of Porch to East Elevation, Installation of rooflights to south elevation

Chapel House, Blubberhouses

Approved with Conditions

24/03294/FUL Erection of a garden room

Beaver End, Norwood

Withdrawn

24/03049/FUL Erection of field shelter and store
Stile Top Farm, Norwood

Approved with Conditions

24/03877/AMENDS Nonmaterial amendment to allow conversion of existing door to window with sill level retained to southern elevation. Lowering of existing windowsill to southern elevation to planning permission 24/03013/FUL - Fenestration alterations to dwelling. Demolition of rear porch and erection of replacement porch. Demolition of timber shed. Erection of extension to rear of existing garage and infill extension to front of existing garage. Installation of PV panels to eastern and southern roof slopes of garage. Resurfacing of section of driveway.

Sykes House Farm, Blubberhouses

Approved

24/03087/PNA Erection of agricultural dry store building
R Grange Holdings, Bland Hill, Norwood

Refused

24/03808/FUL Erection of ground mounted solar array to serve farmhouse
Norwood Bottom Farm, Norwood

Approved with Conditions

24/03809/FUL Erection of ground mounted solar array to serve barn
Norwood Bottom Farm, Norwood

Approved with Conditions

78. Correspondence Received

The following correspondence was received (26.10.24 – 19.12.24)

1. North Yorkshire Council – Loan of Litter Picking Equipment
2. Menwith Hill – B6451 Road Closure 25-29 November
3. North Yorkshire Council – Parish Portal Closure
4. Nidderdale Plus – Community Services in Nidderdale and Washburn Valley
5. Nidderdale National Landscape Joint Advisory Committee – Nominations for Parish Council representatives
6. North Yorkshire Council – Minerals and Waste NY/2024/0180/73
7. North Yorkshire Council – Urban Grass Cutting 2025-2026 Norwood
8. Nidderdale Plus – Community Projects
9. Email – Timble Grit Piles
10. Nidderdale Plus – News from Nidderdale Winter 2024
11. North Yorkshire Council – Updates and Bulletins
12. YLCA – White Rose Update

79. Highways Issues

Issues to report:

1. Timble Grit Piles – replenishing of three grit piles
2. Maud Lane and Jack Hill – water from adjacent field

80. Maintenance

The following issues have been dealt with:

1. Norwood – Cleaning of View Point
2. Fewston – Cleaning of Telephone Box
3. Timble – Cleaning of Millennium Stone

The following issues were reported:

1. New door handle needed at Norwood noticeboard
2. Norwood – Bland Hill Seat needs conservation treatment and weeding around the seat in Spring

81. Internal Audit appointment

Resolved: Yorkshire Internal Audit Services be appointed internal auditor for 2025/2026

82. Human Resources

Resolved: to increase the Spinal Column Point scale (part-time) of the Parish Clerk to SCP27 – effective from 1st April 2025

83. Budget 2025/26

Resolved: the Council approves the budget of £11,416 for 2025-2026, proposed by Cllr G Hebblethwaite and seconded by Cllr J Davison, agreed unanimously

The Council instructs the Clerk to notify North Yorkshire Council that the precept requirements for 2025/26 will be £8,520

84. Finance

84.1 Accounts for Payment

<u>DETAIL</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>NETT</u>
To: All Members of the Parish Council		From: Parish Clerk	
Accounts Paid			
General Accounts		Jan-25	
CLERKS SALARY	917.40	0.00	917.40
CLERKS EXPENSES	69.00	0.00	69.00
HMRC TAX	229.20	0.00	229.20
HARD DRIVE	46.99	7.83	39.16
CARETAKER - MAINTENANCE	89.00	0.00	89.00
MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION	17.50	0.00	17.50
UNITY BANK CHAGES (NOV)	6.00	0.00	6.00
TOTAL	1375.09	7.83	1367.26

Resolved: that the accounts paid be approved to 6th January 2025

85.2 Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: to approve the bank reconciliation statement and budget comparison to 31st December 2024

The balance on 31st December 2024 stands at £16,404.50 (Instant Access - £16,387.81, Current Account - £16.69)

86. Next Meeting

86.1 Any items for inclusion on the next agenda to be informed to the Clerk by 18th February 2025

86.2 Date of next meeting: Monday 3rd March @ 7.30pm at the Norwood Social Hall

Signed

Date