

Washburn Parish Council

Meeting: Full Council

Date: 3rd March 2025

Venue: Norwood Social Hall, Norwood

Commenced: 7.30 pm

Concluded: 8.48 pm

Members

Present Cllrs H Barker, A Campbell, P Green, S Ryder, F Walkinshaw, K Wilson

In Attendance: Dr J Knowles (Parish Clerk), Cllr N Hull (North Yorkshire Council)

To Elect a Chair

It was resolved by all to elect Cllr S Ryder as Chair for the meeting due to Cllr Hebblethwaite and Cllr Davison being unavailable for the meeting.

87. Apologies

Received from: Cllr G Hebblethwaite, J Davison, A Johnson, G Knox

88. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest, of any nature, were received.

89. Minutes for approval

Resolved: the minutes of Full Council held on 6th January 2025 were approved for accuracy by Cllr P Green and seconded by Cllr A Campbell, agreed unanimously and signed by the Chair

90. Ongoing issues

90.1 Kex Gill – Cllr N Hull outlined that the revised works are on schedule with completion expected in 16 months. The recent landslide has been repaired quickly. Should Councilor's wish to have a site visit then request directly with the contractor.

Resolved: that the report be noted

90.2 Electronic Transformer and Lines – There have been no works yet with the high voltage switches needing upgraded and no date on when this will be done.

Resolved: that the report be noted

90.3 Commuted Sums – Yorkshire Water are taking forward the Fewston Woods project. The Meagill Chapel bench proposed was accepted by Council

Resolved: that the report be noted and the Meagill Chapel bench ordered

91. County Matters

Cllr N Hull reported that a consultation to review speed limits outside 400 schools, colleges and nurseries is underway. The Local Plan is under review and stage 1 Call for Sites has been undertaken. The 20-year target set by the Government is for 85,000 homes to be built across the county. The Council budget will increase by 5% for the coming financial year.

92. Police Matters

The November and December crime data record no incidents in the Parish.

93. Plans considered since last meeting

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

Resolved: that the comments be noted

94. Planning Application Decisions

24/03879/FUL Replacement timber doors to front and timber doors/windows to rear of property

Spinksburn Reach, Fewston

Approved with Conditions

24/04077/FUL Erection of side extension to existing garage, installation of solar panels, formation of new hardstanding and repositioning of boundary wall

The Manor House, Blubberhouses

Approved with Conditions

95. Correspondence Received

The following correspondence was received (20.12.25 – 20.02.25)

1. North Yorkshire Council – Climate Change Workshop
2. Email – Superfast Broadband Query **The Council are supportive of superfast broadband being installed in the Parish**
3. North Yorkshire Council – Local Plan Update
4. North Yorkshire Council – Garden Waste Licenses
5. North Yorkshire Council – Informal Consultation for Section 119 Highways Act 1980 Public Paths Order HM-2024-07-DD **The Council confirmed there are no issues with the proposal**
6. Menwith Hill – Spring Reception
7. Nidderdale Plus – News from Nidderdale
8. North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison – Updates
9. YLCA – White Rose Update

96. Timble Telephone Box

Resolved: No objection to the removal of the service. Council agreed the kiosk needs to be retained and if necessary, they would adopt the kiosk.

97. White Crag Accident

There were concerns raised with regards to the accident that took place at White Crag in January. Cllr Nathan Hull agreed that he would request a full response from North Yorkshire Council.

Resolved: Cllr Nathan Hull to write to North Yorkshire Council Highways for a full response regarding this incident.

98. Highways Issues

No Issues to report.

99. Maintenance

The verge cuts have now taken place around the Parish.

The following issues were reported:

- 1) Gorse Bushes on the verge of the B6451 opposite the Norwood Oak.

100. Litter Picks

Resolved: Parish litter picking day on Saturday 26th April 2025. Start time of 10.00am in Timble, Fewston and Norwood. Further details from Cllr A Campbell

101. Meeting Schedule

Resolved: that the Meeting Schedule for 2025-2026 be accepted

102. Finance

102.1 Accounts for Payment

To: All Members of the Parish Council		From: Parish Clerk	
Accounts Paid			
General Accounts		Mar-25	
<u>DETAIL</u>		<u>GROSS</u>	<u>VAT</u>
			<u>NETT</u>
TP JONES PAYROLL		84.48	14.08
CLERKS SALARY		917.20	0.00
CLERKS EXPENSES		111.00	0.00
HMRC TAX		229.40	0.00
LAPTOP ANTI-VIRUS SOFTWARE		74.99	0.00
UNITY BANK CHARGES (DEC)		6.00	0.00
UNITY BANK CHARGES (JAN)		6.00	0.00
UNITY BANK CHARGES (FEB)		6.00	0.00
TOTAL		1435.07	14.08
			1420.99

Resolved: that the accounts paid be approved to 3rd March 2025

102.2 Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: to approve the bank reconciliation statement and budget comparison to 28th February 2025

The balance on 28th February 2025 stands at £15,023.41 (Instant Access - £14,387.81, Current Account - £635.60)

Signed

Date

103. Next Meeting

103.1 Any items for inclusion on the next agenda to be informed to the Clerk by 2nd May 2025

103.2 Date of next meeting: Monday 19th May @ 7.15pm at the Norwood Social Hall

Signed

Date