

Washburn Parish Council

Meeting: Full Council
Date: 2nd March 2026
Venue: Norwood Social Hall, Norwood
Commenced: 7.30 pm
Concluded: 8.28 pm

Members

Present Cllr J Davison (Chair)
Cllrs H Barker, A Campbell, A Johnson, S Ryder, K Wilson

In Attendance: Dr J Knowles (Parish Clerk)

87. Apologies

Received from: Cllr G Hebblethwaite, P Green, G Knox, F Walkinshaw

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 5th January 2026 were approved for accuracy by Cllr H Barker and seconded by Cllr S Ryder, agreed unanimously and signed by the Chair

90. Ongoing issues

90.1 Kex Gill – North Yorkshire Council updates confirm the A59 Kex Gill realignment continues to progress and has been helped by recent mild weather. Infrastructure works are progressing. During the final phase of the scheme there

will be traffic lights and road closures in place in order to allow the new road layout to be constructed with signed diversion routes in place. Should progress continue as planned, it is intended that the new road will open in June 2026.

Resolved: that the report be noted and the Clerk is instructed to write to North Yorkshire Council to confirm planned timescales and diversion plans during the final phase of the scheme

90.2 BOAT Applications – There is an appeal process likely with regards to the BOAT application in Denton.

Resolved: that the report be noted

91. County Matters

No update on County matters.

92. Police Matters

The November crime records 2 incidents: one Public Order offence at Swinsty Moor Car Park unable to prosecute; and one possession of weapons at Hall Lane awaiting court outcome.

In December there was 1 reported crime of Anti-Social Behaviour at Top Lane.

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

26/00356/AMENDS Non-material amendment for alterations to dormer materials, window and door colour and roofing materials of planning permission 25/02562/FUL

Approved

95. Correspondence Received

The following correspondence was received (03.01.26 – 26.02.26)

1. North Yorkshire Council – Urban Highway Grass Cutting
2. RAF Menwith Hill – Thanksgiving Invitation
3. North Yorkshire Council – Garden Waste Collection 2026
4. North Yorkshire Council – Boundary Review
5. North Yorkshire Council – Local Planning Enforcement Plan Consultation
6. North Yorkshire Council – North Yorkshire Landscape Character Assessment
7. North Yorkshire Council – Public Path Diversion Order – Meagill Hall
8. North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison – Updates
9. YLCA – White Rose Update

96. Council Policy Update

Resolved: to accept the following Policy:

1) IT Policy

97. Highways Issues

Issues to report:

1. Blubberhouses Church to Askwith Moor – White line markings in centre of highway
2. North Lane Grass Verge – Cars parking on the verge are damaging the verges

Council wanted to record their continued frustration with meaningful response and action from North Yorkshire Highways. The Council are reporting issues, but the response is either slow or non-existent.

98. Maintenance

The following issues were completed:

- 1) Tree works on the Blubberhouses oak;
- 2) All tree guards removed from around the Millennium trees

99. Litter Picks

Resolved: Parish litter picking day on Saturday 25th April 2026. Start time of 10am in Timble, Fewston and Norwood. Details from Cllr Campbell

100. Meeting Schedule

Resolved: that the Meeting Schedule for 2026-2027 be accepted

101. Finance

101.1 Accounts for Payment

To: All Members of the Parish Council	From: Parish Clerk		
Accounts Paid			
General Accounts	Mar-26		
<u>DETAIL</u>	<u>GROSS</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>NETT</u>
CHAMELEON	130.00	0.00	130.00
TP JONES PAYROLL	84.48	14.08	70.40
MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION	17.50	0.00	17.50
CLERKS SALARY	998.40	0.00	998.40
CLERKS EXPENSES	102.00	0.00	102.00
HMRC TAX	249.60	0.00	249.60
UNITY BANK CHARGES (DEC)	6.00	0.00	6.00
UNITY BANK CHARGES (JAN)	6.00	0.00	6.00
UNITY BANK CHARGES (FEB)	6.00	0.00	6.00
TOTAL	1599.98	14.08	1585.90

Signed

Date

Resolved: that the accounts paid be approved to 2nd March 2026

101.2 Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: to approve the bank reconciliation statement and budget comparison to 28th February 2026

The balance on 28th February 2026 stands at £13,583.16 (Instant Access - £13,260.38, Current Account - £322.78)

102. Next Meeting

102.1 Any items for inclusion on the next agenda to be informed to the Clerk by 29th April 2026

102.2 Date of next meeting: Monday 11th May @ 7.15pm at the Norwood Social Hall

Signed

Date