

## Hawes & High Abbotside Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

#### Present:

Parish Cllrs: Jill McMullon (Chair); Peter Metcalfe (Vice-Chair); Sheila Alderson; David Cockett; Emma Blades;. Ruth Lindsey; Yurek Waluda ( joined slightly late due to a prior meeting.)

County Cllr. Yvonne Peacock.

Parish Clerk: Mrs Kate Kelly, also Responsible Financial Officer.

A member of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs. Barry Wilcox; Cllr. David Stephenson.

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1.	Chairman reminded everyone present of the right to record the meeting although the Council would not be doing so.
2.	<b><u>Consideration of Apologies for Absence</u></b>  Cllr. Barry Wilcox who is unable to attend. Cllr. Dave Stephenson due to a work commitment.
3.	<b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b>  To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's Code of Conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.  None received.
4.	<b><u>Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024</u></b>  The minutes of the meeting held on 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2024 had been circulated to all Councillors and posted on the website. It was agreed that they were an accurate record of the proceeding, however Cllr. Blades name had been incorrectly typed and the Clerk will amend this. They were proposed by Cllr. Cockett and seconded by Cllr. Metcalfe. The minutes were signed by the Chair.
5.	<b><u>Councillor Vacancy</u></b>  It was resolved to extend the application date.
6.	<b><u>Ongoing Matters</u></b>
6.1	<b>Gayle Bus Stop</b>  The bus stop has been inspected by NYC and the roof is to be repaired.  It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.
6.2	<b>YDNPA Spring Forum 24</b>  The notes from the meeting had been circulated to Councillors.

	<p>This matter is now resolved.</p>
<b>6.3</b>	<p><b>North Yorkshire Council Subsidised Local Bus Services.</b></p> <p>No further updates received.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>6.4</b>	<p><b>Pavement kerbstones.</b></p> <p>Some repair work had been carried out on the pavement kerbstones outside the Chip shop at Pennygarth but they used tar, which is already crumbling, instead of replacing the stones. Cllr. Peacock will take this matter up with NYC.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>6.5</b>	<p><b>D-Day Celebrations June 2024</b></p> <p>The beacon was lit on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 9.15pm. Cllr. McMullon thanked Diane Blades and all those who helped with lighting the beacon especially as it was a dreadful night with wind and rain.</p> <p>This matter is now resolved</p>
<b>6.6</b>	<p><b>Dog waste bin at Beulah Bank.</b></p> <p>The Clerk had contacted NYC and asked them to move the dog bin as requested by the landowner. The Council replied asking where Beulah Bank was. The Clerk has advised them.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>6.7</b>	<p><b>Dog waste on the pavements in Hawes.</b></p> <p>Cllr. Peacock will take this matter forward to NYC. See also Point 15 in the Minutes.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>6.8</b>	<p><b>Loose steps near toilets in car park</b></p> <p>Cllr. Peacock will take this matter forward to NYC.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>6.9</b>	<p><b>Litter bin in Cotterdale</b></p> <p>The Clerk has written to NYC requesting that the dog waste bin near Cotterdale Force be changed to a joint general waste and dog bin.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b><u>Planning applications</u></b></p> <p>To consider planning applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full planning permission for change of use of Bed &amp; Breakfast accommodation to 1no. short term self-catering holiday let with occasional Bed &amp; Breakfast use as required, and to replace the existing doors and windows at Garsdale House, Garsdale Head, Sedbergh, LA10 5PU - R/56/154G-</li> </ul>

No comments were received.

**8. Planning Decisions**

To receive decisions/information relating to recent planning applications.

- R/56/13LI - Full planning permission for conversion, change of use and extension of former bank to form non-residential (Class E) accommodation at ground floor with residential apartments on existing first and second floors at Barclays Bank, Market Place, Hawes.

This item has now been marked as approved subject to Section 106 (Local occupancy). It was noted that there was nothing in the conditions regarding the ATM and it was resolved that the Clerk should contact the planners and ask for confirmation that it will be retained.

It was resolved that this matter should be carried forward to the next meeting.

- R/56/139E - Full planning permission for conversion of redundant agricultural building to local occupancy house/holiday let, together with installation of package sewage treatment plant at West Shaw Farm, Beggarmans Road, Gayle, Hawes, North Yorkshire, DL8 3SF.

This matter is noted as under consideration by the planners.

It was resolved that it be carried forward to the next meeting.

- Full planning permission for change of use of bar to 1no. dwelling and Manager's residence/office space to licensed tea room, plus retention of three letting rooms (retrospective) at The Moorcock Inn, Garsdale, LA10 5PU - R/56/154F

This application has been declined. The decision is being appealed.

It was resolved that this matter should be carried forward to the next meeting.

- Full planning permission for demolition of existing garage workshop and replace with a one-bedroom local occupancy dwelling/holiday cottage at Garage/Workshop adjacent to Fell View, Market Place, Hawes, DL8 3RD - R/56/540D

This application went before a planning committee meeting on 16/7/24. A report issued prior to the meeting recommending approval. It was decided at the planning meeting that a site visit should be made.

It was resolved that this matter should be carried forward to the next meeting.

- Full planning permission for the installation of a new telecommunications base station comprising; a 20m lightweight lattice mast with 3no. radio antennas, 3no. 600mm dishes, radio equipment housing, a solar array and ancillary development within a new compound area (SRN32) at Land at Black Hill Moss, Cotterdale, Hawes, North Yorkshire, DL8 3LT - R/48/169

This application has been withdrawn.

This matter is now resolved.

- Full planning permission for conversion of barn to form a 3-bedroom local occupancy dwelling with associated access, curtilage and septic tank at Barn at Ivan Farm, Sedbusk, Hawes (GR: 387880,

	<p>491311) - R/48/172</p> <p>This matter is noted on the planning portal as under consideration.</p> <p>It was resolved that it be carried forward to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Householder planning permission for erection of extension to lower ground floor to accommodate the new internal staircase and corridor to the bedrooms; installation of 1no. dormer to the southern roof pitch; replacement of windows and doors; removal of rooflights and the addition of solar panels; installation of 2 No air source heat pumps within new external shelter at Loxley House, The Holme, Hawes, DL8 3QR - R/56/290E</li> </ul> <p>This matter is noted on the planning portal as approved conditional.</p> <p>This matter is now resolved.</p>
<p><b>8.1</b></p>	<p><b>National Parks Local Plan</b></p> <p>Cllr. Peacock advised that discussions are ongoing but nothing further to report at this time.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this forward to the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>8.2</b></p>	<p><b><u>NYC Draft Housing Strategy 2024-2029</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Peacock advised that this is ongoing but nothing further to report at this time.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this forward to the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>9.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Highways matters</u></b></p> <p>To receive updates to the following issues raised at previous meetings:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update regarding the poor state of the A684 from Appersett to Garsdale, and the road to Hardraw:-</li> </ul> <p>Cllr. Peacock advised that this matter is ongoing but that further repairs were due to be carried out shortly.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this forward to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update re the area of the road cordoned off awaiting repair between Snaizeholme Road End &amp; Lanaker Lane.</li> </ul> <p>The traffic lights are still in place and no work has yet been carried out.</p> <p>Cllr. Peacock advised that she will once again raise this issue.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this forward to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It had been noted that The Hill opposite the White Hart is in disrepair.</li> <li>The road at The Holme is also in poor condition.</li> </ul> <p>The Clerk has written to the Council regarding these two items requesting that they be repaired. NYC have replied asking for detailed maps etc.</p> <p>As there are a few Items that NYC are looking for clarification on as to exactly where these places are Cllr. Peacock proposed that she will request that a representative from the roads</p>

	<p>department make a site visit and she will walk round with them.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry these matters forward to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pool of water on Burterset road at cemetery.</li> </ul> <p>The roads department vehicle had been out and cleared the drains. The Chair will check after the next heavy rain that this is now resolved.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wall in top carpark</li> </ul> <p>The wall in the top carpark on the righthand side near the steps is starting to collapse. Cllr. Peacock has taken this to NYC.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p> <p>During the discussion regarding a site visit, it was mentioned that occupants at the houses near Chapel Street had spoken to one of the Councillors regarding the access drive. It has some raised points and holes and cars are catching on it.</p> <p>Cllr. Peacock will add this to her list for NYC.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<b>10.</b>	<b><u>Financial Matters</u></b>
10.1	<p>To approve the following accounts for payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs K Kelly – Clerks Salary May 24- £192.50</li> <li>• Mrs K Kelly – Clerks Salary June 24 -£192.50</li> <li>• Hawes Christmas Lights - £500.00</li> <li>• HMRC – P30 -Quarter 1 - £144.40</li> <li>• E-ON Next – Electricity May. - £21.51pd</li> <li>• E-ON Next – Electricity June. - £22.21pd</li> <li>• Mr J Banks – Grasscutting - £595.23pd</li> <li>• Hawes Market House-room hire- £15.00</li> <li>• Mr J Banks – Grasscutting - £657.95</li> </ul>
10.2	<p>To acknowledge receipt of the following income</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cemetery- Mr &amp; Mrs Heseltine- £140</li> </ul>
10.3	<p>To receive the latest bank balances and sign statements</p> <p>Copies of bank statements to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 were presented and initialled by the Chair. Current balance in Unity Trust Current Account is £31720.69</p>

<p><b>10.4</b></p>	<p><b>Unity Trust Bank</b></p> <p>Cllr. Blades has now been added as a signatory but she hasn't received sign on codes for Internet Banking. Unfortunately Cllr. Metcalfe has forgotten his.</p> <p>The Clerk had contacted the Bank to have these resent but unfortunately the individuals need to do this. The Councillors agreed to contact the Bank.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>10.5</b></p>	<p><b>Unity Trust Bank – Savings Rates</b></p> <p>The Clerk had completed forms to open an Instant access savings account and these were brought to the meeting so that the Account signatories could sign them. This was done and the Clerk will now send these to the Bank.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
<p><b>11.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Correspondence</u></b></p> <p>To consider the following correspondence received and decide action where necessary:-</p>
<p><b>11.1</b></p>	<p><b>Lets Talk Rubbish</b></p> <p>An email has been received from NYC regarding the rubbish collection. It is proposed to remove the small plastic box for recyclables and the bag for paper and replace these with two more large wheely bins.</p> <p>The Council felt that this might work in large housing estates where most properties have drives and gardens but does not work in our small rural towns and villages, particularly in the National Park. The bins are large, heavy when full and unsightly. They frequently blow over in high winds which can be a danger on narrow roads and paths. Very few people have room for them and the streets would look terrible when they are all out awaiting collection. Unfortunately the survey that NYC has sent out can only be completed by individuals and the Parish Council hope that as many people as possible will take a few moments to complete it and express their views.</p> <p>This matter is now resolved.</p>
<p><b>11.2</b></p>	<p><b>Email re memorial bench.</b></p> <p>An email has been received from a resident stating that they would like to purchase a bench for the town and put a plaque on in memory of their father who was connected to Hawes.</p> <p>This matter was discussed and whilst the Parish Council are grateful for the offer they do not feel that there is a suitable site available at the moment. However, as stated in the January minutes Mr Fagg of the the Upper Wensleydale Sports &amp; Recreational Association would like to have a bench on Hawes Community fields.</p> <p>It was resolved that the Clerk would pass this information on to the lady who wrote the email.</p> <p>This matter is now resolved.</p>
<p><b>12.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Children's Play Area</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The boundary stone wall near Beulah Bank in the Gayle Lane playpark needs attention. We need to find out the owners of the wall and speak to them. It was felt that as this is near the</li> </ul>

creamery it may be council owned or owned by the creamery.

It was resolved that this matter would be carried forward to the next meeting.

- Matt Guy has been and looked at the blocked culvert which crosses the Playpark and had caused a property to have flooding issues. He is to issue a report shortly.

The Parish Council have the use of the land for the Playpark but do not own it.

A copy of the original lease has been found but it's a very poor copy and almost illegible. Cllr. McMullon has approached the solicitors who dealt with the lease to request a better copy.

- Mark Murphy was to approach the fire service requesting that they would once again consider cleaning the play equipment for us.

Unfortunately Mark was unable to attend the meeting. It was therefore resolved that this matter will be carried forward to the next meeting.

- The garden waste permit has been received and Cllr. McMullon has agreed to place it on the bin. This item is now resolved.
- Pip Pointon has been liaising with Mark Murphy regarding the photographs to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Town Foot Playpark. No update has been provided.

It was resolved to carry this item forward to the next meeting.

- The jagged metal edge on the slide has been made safe. Unfortunately Mark Murphy was unable to attend the meeting. It was therefore resolved that this matter will be carried forward to the next meeting.

**13. Cemetery**

The Clerk had received a request for reservations. Cllr. Blades has dealt with this and the system seemed quite smooth.

**14. Upper Dales Health Watch**

Cllr. Waluda is now our representative. No further updates have been received.

**15. Litter in Hawes**

Cllr. McMullon had written requesting that the skip near The Board hotel should be removed. This has been done and the matter is now resolved.

Cllr. McMullon will take a look at the litter near the bridge at the industrial area.

New signs re dog waste and litter have been ordered from NYC.

Cllr. McMullon had also received a quote for two larger signs to go at the entrance at either end of the town stating:- WELCOME TO HAWES DON'T BE RUBBISH PLEASE TAKE AWAY YOURS! The quote was for £282.12 and it was resolved that these should be ordered.

	It was resolved that the above three items will carried forward to the next meeting.
<b>16.</b>	<p><b><u>Parish Clerk</u></b></p> <p>The new printer has been ordered.</p> <p>The Clerk was advised by PKF Littlejohn's that our email address is not compliant with new rules that have been published.</p> <p>It was resolved that the Clerk will amend the email address.</p>
<b>17.</b>	<p><b><u>Monthly Police Report.</u></b></p> <p>The latest report was discussed.</p>
<b>18.</b>	<p><b><u>Potential BT Payphone and Telephone Box Removal</u></b></p> <p>The payphones at Sedbusk, Simonstone and Burtersett have now been adopted and the Clerk has advised the parties who wished to make use of them and also forwarded a brochure provided by BT regarding routine maintenance.</p> <p>Mr Harrison has replied regarding the Burtersett telephone box asking if the Parish Council would be able to assist with funding repainting and also noting that in time the windows which are currently plastic will need to be replaced and proposing possibly changing them to glass.</p> <p>The Council were a little surprised at the request for funds as it had been previously stated that the local community would take over the box. It was felt that there were concerns over glass windows from a safety and breakage point of view. The Council would also like a breakdown of costs regarding the repainting.,</p> <p>It was resolved that the Clerk should write to Mr Harrison regarding these points.</p>
<b>19.</b>	<p><b><u>Agenda Items</u></b></p> <p>An email was received on the day of the meeting requesting funding for this years bonfire. This was discussed and it was agreed to make a donation of £250.</p> <p>Cllr. Blades mentioned that the goal posts in Gayle Lane park are in need of repair.</p>
<b>20.</b>	<p><b><u>Date of next meeting.</u></b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held in <b>Gayle Village Institute on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September.</b></p>

Signed as a true record.

Dated.