

## CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held at Cliffe Village Institute on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025 following the Annual Parish Meeting

#### **25/121 Present: -**

Councillor G Wilson (Chairman)  
Councillor H Cross  
Councillor S Gummerson  
Councillor J Jewitt  
Councillor A Marshall  
Councillor J Wallinger  
Councillor R Woodall  
Councillor E Yates

North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur

#### **25/122 Apologies: -**

Councillor A Holman

#### **25/123 Declarations of Interest: -** None

#### **25/124 Public Session: -** No members of the public were present

#### **25/125 Police Report: -**

It was noted that the April police report had been received from PCSO Hannah Gaskell 06/05 (circulated to all members 07/05).

Clerk to contact PCSO Hannah Gaskell to enquire when she would be available to attend a Cliffe Parish Council meeting.

#### **April Crime Figures**

Abandoned calls - 1

Concern for safety incidents – 1

Crimes - 5

Please note we had a reoccurring pattern and four of these incidents were Auto crimes, reported between 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Extra patrols have been conducted throughout the evening and into the night.

#### **25/126 Listen to reports from North Yorkshire Councillor: -**

North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur advised that North Yorkshire Council are starting to consult on the North Yorkshire Local Plan with the initial consultation (Issues and Options) taking place between Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

It was also noted that The Local Government Boundary Commission for England consultation on the draft recommendations for division boundaries is now open until Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June and the Commission intend to publish its final recommendations on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

Councillor Arthur reported that Julian Slater – Plasmor is arranging a site visit/meeting on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September (further details to follow).

The Chairman spoke about the ponds owned by Plasmor which will be handed over to Natural England and it was noted that the Parish Council have previously discussed the possibility of obtaining a small strip of land to facilitate the creation of a footpath to link up with the nature reserve.

Councillor Arthur advised that he is now able to accept applications for Locality Budget funding however this has now been reduced from £10,000 to £5,000.

#### **Outstanding Issues**

##### **Green Bin Collections**

**Councillor Arthur** to enquire if the green bin collections could start up again in February next year instead of March however this is the current policy throughout North Yorkshire.

#### Selby Area Committee Meeting Date

**Councillor Arthur** advised that the next Selby Area Committee will be held in June, exact date to be confirmed.

#### Police Speed Camera Deployment on York Road

The **Chairman** asked **Councillor Arthur** to pursue the deployment of police speed cameras on York Road as a priority to act as a speeding deterrent. It was noted that the Police have given the Parish Council permission to install speed camera signs and agreed to send a mobile (motorcycle) speed camera however this has never been forthcoming despite the Parish Council pursuing this for over four years.

#### **25/127 Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025: -**

Members **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025 as an accurate record of the meeting.

#### **25/128 Matters arising from the minutes of the above meetings: -**

##### Ongoing planning and enforcement issues

The Chairman advised that he had received a response 12/05 from Councillor Mark Crane regarding issues raised at their meeting in January and it was noted that North Yorkshire Council have written to all occupiers of Cliffe Meadows and The Ranch advising that they cannot live on site twelve months of the year and requesting a permanent address. North Yorkshire Council have also written to local estate agents to advise that they cannot advertise that the lodges are available for occupation year-round.

It was noted that records for The Ranch are still missing from the North Yorkshire Council planning portal and are no longer available to view; Councillor M Crane has been asked to investigate and to also clarify how many lodges have permission for year-round occupation; follow up meeting to be arranged.

##### Littering on the grass verge along the A63

**North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur** to forward contact details for Aimi Brooks – North Yorkshire Council Service Development Manager (Waste) to the **clerk** so she can contact her regarding the litter dragged out of the hedge during the tree/hedge cutting that has still not been removed despite being reported to North Yorkshire Council.

##### East Yorkshire Buses

**Councillor A Marshall** to produce a timetable to include Service Number 1 between Holme-on-Spalding Moor and Selby (East Yorkshire Buses) and Service 4a between Hemingbrough and Selby (Thornes) which **Councillor E Yates** will laminate and pass on to the **clerk** to put up.

The Parish Council expressed their disappointment that East Yorkshire Buses have not advertised the service or communicated this information with the Parish Council and have regularly denied all knowledge of a passenger being regularly dropped off in Cliffe which the **clerk** has been actively investigating.

It was agreed to put a condensed version of the Service Number 1 timetable on the Parish Council noticeboards and at the bus stops; **Councillor A Marshall** to liaise with **Councillor E Yates** to produce and laminate the timetables and pass on to the **clerk** to put up.

##### Parish Portal

The **clerk** advised that she was still having difficulty accessing the new Parish Portal; **clerk** to follow up with North Yorkshire Council and circulate log in details to all members.

##### Faulty Streetlight on Badgers Way

**Councillor J Wallinger** advised that he is still awaiting confirmation of who is responsible for the streetlight that is out in Badgers Way despite chasing this up; **Councillor Wallinger** to continue to pursue.

##### Parish Council Noticeboards

**Clerk** to clean up the Parish Council noticeboards especially the glass which is yellowing.

#### **25/129 Highways:-**

**Chairman** to confirm date for a site meeting with Gary Lumb (North Yorkshire Council Highways Engineer) to discuss all the outstanding highway issues.

The **Chairman** asked **North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur** to chase up North Yorkshire Council Highways about the York Road Gateway and speed camera enforcement signs that were ordered over eighteen months ago.

Cliffe-Cum-Lund Traffic Calming

**Councillor E Yates** advised that she has spoken to all the residents along the A63 in Cliffe-Cum-Lund and established the Cliffe-Cum-Lund/Cliffe boundary. It was noted that **Councillor Yates** has taken photographs showing the required locations for the village boundary signage and children crossing & bus stopping signs which she will forward on to Stacey Preece – North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer.

**25/130 Speeding:-**

**Chairman** and **Councillor J Wallinger** to download the data from the Vehicle Activated Sign and relocate it.

**25/131 Oxen Lane:-**

**Councillor J Jewitt** advised that work would start at the end of May (date to be confirmed).

**25/132 Water/Drainage:-** Ongoing

**25/133 Village Green:-**

**Councillor J Wallinger** advised that signage from the Cliffe Primary School PTA Easter Egg Hunt is still attached to the Village Green fencing; **Councillor A Marshall** to arrange for this to be removed.

**Chairman** to obtain a second quote for additional fencing at the back of the Little Library.

Electrical quote for lighting/electric socket extension

**Councillor J Wallinger** advised that he had met with a contractor to discuss the work required and received a competitive second quote from KCK Electrical Services totalling £695.40 to include the supply and installation of a replacement photocell to the external power box.

It was noted that the Parish Council had already accepted a separate quote of £235.00 to find and rectify the lighting fault on the Village Green so it was agreed to accept the quote of £695.40 in principle and the **Chairman** would speak to the contractor who was going to fix the fault about KCK Electrical Services combining the work as this is much more cost effective.

**25/134 Parish Council Documents:-** Ongoing

**25/135 Public Footpaths: - (to include any overgrown public footpaths which have been identified that do not comply with the applicable laws/regulations): -**

**Councillor S Gummerson** raised concern regarding the amount of dog fouling on the footpath from South Duffield to Oxen Lane and members had a brief discussion regarding the dog fouling law.

**25/136 Public use of footpaths (to include misuse, trespassing, littering, dog fouling etc)**

**Councillor A Marshall** to forward the updated "Keep Cliffe Clean" poster to **Councillor J Wallinger** who will post it on the Cliffe Parish Website.

**Councillor R Woodall** to put up laminated poster in problem areas around the village; **Councillor E Yates** to laminate additional posters to be passed on to **Councillor J Jewitt**.

**Councillor S Gummerson** still to raise concerns with Network Rail regarding youths gathering near the railway line.

**25/137 Grass Maintenance: -**

**Clerk** still to contact North Yorkshire Council Parks and Grounds Department to advise them that the Parish Council already cut the grass verge opposite Chapelfields on York Road and to request a financial contribution from them to take over the grass cutting.

**25/138 Flooding of footpath at the back of William Jacques Drive: -** Ongoing

**25/139 New Litter Bin near Cliffe Village Institute: -**

It was noted that North Yorkshire Council have now fitted the concrete ballast to the bin and this issue has been resolved; to be removed from future agendas.

**25/140 Path Maintenance: -** Ongoing

**25/141 Broad Lane Wood: -** Ongoing

**25/142 Parish Paddock: -**

The **clerk** advised that she had chased up the missing wayleaves payments and our request for a donation towards the nature reserve project but had received an out of the office reply from Helen Borthwick (Northern Powergrid); **clerk** to follow up.

**25/143 Little Library: -** Ongoing

It was agreed to remove this item from future agendas until further notice.

**25/144 Cliffe Parish Council Policies: -** Ongoing

**25/145 Planning: -**

**a) Councillors considered the following Planning Applications received: -**

i. (ZG2025/0349/HPA) Erection of a single storey rear extension at **Chantry House, Hull Road, Cliffe** No Objections

**b) Consider Planning Applications Received not listed on the agenda: -**

i. (ZG2025/0437/FUL) Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of pair of semi-detached dwellings at **Viola Gardens, York Road, Cliffe** Comment Only

- The Parish Council are very concerned regarding any additional connections to the drainage system which is already over capacity causing ongoing flooding issues throughout the village, and this is currently being investigated by Yorkshire Water.

**c) Note Planning Applications Granted: -**

i. (ZG2024/1283/HPA) Single storey rear extension at **Top End House, Hull Road, Cliffe**

ii. (ZG2024/1284/LBC) Listed building consent for single storey rear extension at **Top End House, Hull Road, Cliffe**

iii. (ZG2025/0036/S73) Section 73 application to vary conditions 02 (plans) and 03 (materials) of approval 2021/0349/FUL Erection of two buildings for use as E(g)(iii) industrial workshops following demolition of an existing building used for B8 storage at **Birchwood Lodge, Market Weighton Road, Barlby**

**d) Note Planning Applications Refused: -**

i. (ZG2024/1097/FUL) Installation of hard standing pitches, roads, pathways, grill cabins, camping buses, hot tub, electric hook ups and water points, moveable shower block, lighting, wash up store, gates and fencing (part retrospective) at **High Common Farm, Market Weighton Road, Barlby**

**e) Note receipt of planning appeal against refusal of an application for: -** NIL

**25/146 Finance: -**

**a) The following payments were proposed, seconded, and unanimously agreed: -**

i. J Leighton-Eshelby (Clerks Salary – May)	£ As Agreed
ii. HMRC (PAYE)	£ 170.94

**b) To approve payments not listed on the agenda: -**

i. Meticulous Gardens (Grass Cutting & Spraying)	£ 1068.00
ii. North Yorkshire Council (Streetlighting Maintenance)	£ 1279.86
iii. A.S. Walls & Son	£ 168.00

(Hedge Cutting at Parish Paddock)

iv. Cliffe Village Institute £ 612.80  
(Hire of Hall – 12 Meetings, Electric for Village Green & Broadband 12 Months)

c) To ratify payments made in between meetings: - NIL

d) Note receipt of income, as listed below: -

i. North Yorkshire Council (1<sup>st</sup> Half of Precept 2025/26) £13,500.00

**25/147 Correspondence Received: -**

i. Clerks & Councils Direct – Receipt of May 2025 newsletter was noted.

**25/148 Representatives Report: -**

The **Chairman** spoke about the inefficient heating at Cliffe Village Institute which needs to be replaced. It was noted that quotes have been received, and Jim Clark (treasurer) will apply to **North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur** for funding from his Locality Budget.

It was also agreed to include the following item on the June agenda “ *Consider financial support for the Village Institute New Heating System Project*”

The **Chairman** also gave an update on the Village Institute War Memorial registration.

**Councillor H Cross** gave an update on the South Duffield Charity, Mary Waud Charity and Cliffe Charity Trust.

**Councillor E Yates** reported that a resident of Cliffe-Cum-Lund had raised concern regarding speeding and had requested speed camera monitoring; **clerk** to contact North Yorkshire Police to ask them to consider speed camera monitoring on the A63 in Cliffe-Cum-Lund.

**25/149 Confirm date of next meeting: -** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 commencing at 7.00pm in CLIFFE VILLAGE INSTITUTE

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