

CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2026

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 11th May 2026 commencing at 7.00pm at Cliffe Village Institute

Present

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

North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur

1) Apologies

Councillor R Woodall

2) Welcome to members of the Public and Public Session

No members of the public were present

3) Chairman's Report

The Chairman read out a comprehensive report detailing the Parish Councils activities over the last year (report attached).

Councillor A Holman thanked the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council for all his hard work.

4) Confirmation of Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 12th May 2025

Members **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 12th May 2025 as an accurate record of the meeting.

5) South Duffield Charity Report:-

Councillor H Cross read out the following report:-

There has been no charitable activity in the year, although following extensive research it is now confirmed that distributions can only be made to qualifying individuals who are resident in the village.

It is possible that a third trustee will be appointed shortly, with a resident of South Duffield showing an interest in the Charity. The knowledge of the two trustees resident in the village should result in the re-commencement of charitable objectives later this year.

6) Mary Waud Charity Report (Cliffe School Charity):-

Councillor H Cross read out the following report: -

Discretionary Grants

There were no applications for grants made in the 12 months to May 2026.

Payments to Cliffe VC School

A donation was made to the School of £162 to fund the purchase of a music licence which allows the school to take part in a music service program which was already in use throughout the Academy.

A donation of £3,750 is due to be made to the School to fund the purchase of computing equipment (Chromebooks)

Cliffe VC School and Selby Educational Trust

Mr K Arthur and Mr H Cross represent the Foundation as co-opted governors on the Local Governing Body of Cliffe VC School, with their term of office ending in November 2026.

The Foundation are required to submit to SET the names of two candidates to replace the outgoing Governors.

Rosie Hawkins, the Headteacher, attends Foundation meetings and provides a detailed update as to progress being made at the School.

Land Registration

The title register for all lands owned by the Foundation now correctly record the ownership of land as being held by the **current** trustees.

Cliffe Pre School

Cliffe Preschool are in active dialogue with SET regarding a relocation to the main school.

Trustees

The Foundation welcomed a new Trustee in the year, appointing Mrs Amy Wilson at the June meeting. Amy has provided useful insights into the workings of primary school education on account of her experience in her role as a primary school teacher.

Sadly, David Rhodes tendered his resignation as a Trustee in October. He was a Trustee for almost 35 years.

All other trustees remained in post throughout the year.

Secretarial Support

Melanie Hall was appointed to provide secretarial support and joined the Foundation at the June meeting.

7) Cliffe Charity Trust Report:-

Councillor H Cross read out the following report:-

Distribution

A donation of £20 per person was distributed to the 36 persons on the current list of recipients

A donation of £100 was given to both Cliffe Village Institute and Cliffe Playing Fields.

These donations were slightly reduced from previous years out of necessity to protect the Charities to some degree from the possibility of legal fee overruns in the process of registering the land.

Land Registration

Crombie Wilkinson were engaged to proceed with the process of first registration of land held by the Charities.

Legal and land registration fees were substantially covered by a generous donation received from Cliffe Parish Council in the sum of £1200. The Trustees of Cliffe Combined Charities would like once again to record their thanks to the Parish Council.

Land Rental

The land is farmed by tenants Messrs Woodhall and Holman who both kindly agreed to an increase in the charge for land rental in order to support the Charities.

8) Any Other Business - No issues raised.

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