

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LOWER WASHBURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 9 JANUARY 2025 HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS AT LEATHLEY.

Present: Mr. D. Holmes, Mr. W. Keighley, Mr. J. Liddle,
Mr. D. Portlock, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. A. Wood
Also in attendance: the Clerk and 1 member of the public.

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 NOVEMBER 2024

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Councillor Mr. D. Portlock and seconded by Mr. J. Smith and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the parish meeting held on the 9 November 2024 circulated previously were a true record and were signed by the chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. J. Buxton, Mrs. L. Woledge, Mr. N. Houseman and NYC Councillor Mr. N. Hull.

3. CLERKS REPORT

a) Damage to Leathley bridge

On Christmas Eve a vehicle approaching from Farnley damaged the fencing and stone edge of the bridge. The bridge is grade 2 listed and the incident was reported to North Yorkshire. There appears to be no witnesses to the incident.

RESOLVED that this be noted.

b) Castley – erosion of grass verge

the vehicles of contractors working on a nearby property have been parking along Castley Lane causing other vehicles to pass by going onto the verge creating causing erosion. . North Yorkshire have been informed and a local resident has contacted the builders who have promised to make good any damage.

RESOLVED that this be noted

c) Castley – river erosion

Several years ago North Yorkshire had to take emergency action to prevent further erosion of the river bank. This was done by placing large rocks onto the worst part of the erosion. This was effective in arresting the erosion but the river has again eroded part of the banking and some of the rocks have moved. Mr. Cowan from North Yorkshire has visited the site and is monitoring to what action needs to be taken. (this item to be kept on the agenda for future monitoring).

4. VEHICLE SPEEDS IN THE PARISH AREA.

A survey of members of the public residing in the parish area will be carried out to determine the future policy of the parish regarding this issue.

5. URBAN GRASS CUTTING LEATHLEY 2025-2026

North Yorkshire council are offering to pay the parish council £204.10 to carry out urban grass cutting in Leathley. The areas to be cut are limited and have to be cut 5 times a year

RESOLVED that the parish decline this offer leaving the responsibility with NY council.

6. PARISH CARETAKER

Mr. Walsh worked 29 hours in November 2024. The church noticeboard at Farnley church is in need of repair and it was agreed that Mr. Walsh undertake this task.

RESOLVED that this be noted

7. PLANNING

a) K. A. Liddle and Partners, East Beck barn, Stainburn – proposed porch extension the parish council had no objections to this application.

b) K. A. Liddle and Partners, Home Farm, Stainburn – prior notification for conversion of agricultural building to form 1 dwelling – this application has been withdrawn.

c) Mr. & Mrs. Senyk, Gardens House, Farnley – alterations to existing dwelling and associated landscaping) The parish council had no objections to this application.

RESOLVED that the above actions be noted and approved.

APPLICATIONS APPROVED - nil

APPLICATIONS REFUSED - nil

CORRESPONDENCE - nil

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Accounts processed for online payments:

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| 1.M. Walsh 29 hours worked in November plus materials | £445.00 |
| 2.M. Elam salary payment for October, November, and December | £572.40 |
| 3.HMRC | £129.60 |

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| TOTAL | <u>£1147.00</u> |
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RESOLVED that these payments be noted

9. HIGHWAYS ISSUES

a) Kex Ghyll – North Yorkshire send out occasional updates on the progress of clearing the road.

10.MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS

- a) Leathley Bank- gulley washed away still not repaired (already reported)
- b) Braythorne – Moorside Cottage water on the road which becomes iced up causing dangerous driving conditions (already reported)

11. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the parish will take place on 13 March 2025 commencing at 8.00pm in the Leathley village hall.

Signed.....

Chairman