



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Hampsthwaite Parish Council held in the Village Room, High Street, Hampsthwaite on Tuesday 8th July 2025 @ 7:30pm

Abbr: JC = Cllr J Carney (Chairman), GH = Cllr G Howard, KP = Cllr K Pinkney, RS = Cllr R Shrimpton, PB = Cllr P Bollands, RSB = Cllr R Selby, RB = R Bareham (Parish Clerk), MH = M Harrison (County Councillor)

Key: AFSC-NY = Average and Fixed Speed Cameras for North Yorkshire, CPT = Community Payback Team, DoI = Declaration of Interest, HBJFC = Hampsthwaite & Birstwith Junior Football Club, IA = Internal Auditor, MoP = Member of the Public, Group, MHMC = Memorial Hall Management Committee, MVAS = Moveable Vehicle Activated Sign, NYC = North Yorkshire Council, NYP = North Yorkshire Police, PLP = Park Lane Playgrounds, PC = Parish Council, SLCC = Society of Local Council Clerks, VAS= Vehicle Activated Sign, W3W = What 3 Words, YLCA = Yorkshire Local Council Association.

In Attendance: Cllr P Bollands, Cllr K Pinkney, Cllr G Howard, R Bareham (Parish Clerk).

Members of the Public: 5

Minutes

<u>Item</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Action By</u>
2025.121	Welcome by the Chairman In the absence of the Chairman, it was agreed that Cllr G Howard would chair this meeting. The meeting open at 7:30pm	✓
2025.122	Absence and Apologies a) To Receive Apologies Apologies received from Cllr Carney and Shrimpton. b) To approve the reason(s) for absence given by Councillors. Resolved: The council approved the reasons for absence	✓ ✓
2025.123	Dispensations & Pecuniary Interests a) To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensations. No applications received.	✓

	<p>b) To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Councillors Code of Conduct or a members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests. No further declarations received</p>	✓
2025.124	<p>Minutes for approval from Previous Meetings</p> <p>a) For the council to consider approving the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council of the 10th June 2025. Resolved: The minutes were signed as a true record.</p>	✓
2025.125	<p>Public participation Session (for the public to talk to councillors about items on the agenda)</p> <p>a) Hampsthwaite Action Group were represented and discussed item 2025.127 (b). Resolved: The council agreed that their view on development had not changed since it's Village Plan and it was agreed that the Chairman would re-iterate that statement in the response to the "First Conversation" and share the response with HAG.</p> <p>b) A MoP also asked for more information on the tree survey it was conducting (item 2025.135(a)). Ongoing: The clerk confirmed that it was working with NYC to establish "ownership and responsibility" of the trees on "public" land and once this has been agreed the clerk will seek council approval for an inspection by an Arboriculture Surveyor.</p>	GH RB
2025.126	<p>To receive the Councillors report</p> <p>a) For the council to receive the report from Cllr M Harrison Resolved: Apologies were received from Cllr Harrison and his report in Appendix A, was noted.</p>	✓
2025.127	<p>To receive the Clerks report</p> <p>a) For the council to note the Minutes of the Memorial Hall Management Committee from the 23rd April 2025 Resolved: The minutes from the Memorial Hall Management Committee were received and noted. GH informed the council that the AGM of the MHMC will be on the 16th July 2025 at 8:00pm and all were welcome.</p> <p>b) For the council to note that the consultation of the "first conversation" on the Local Plan closes on the 15th July 2025 Resolved: See item 2025.125 (a).</p> <p>c) For the council to note the revised edition of "Local Councils Explained" is now available Resolved: The council noted that the "Local Councils Explained" had been revised.</p>	✓ ✓ ✓
2025.128	<p>Co-Option Matters (To receive written applications for the office of Parish Councillor and to coopt a candidate to fill the existing vacancy)</p> <p>a) For the council to receive written applications for the office of Parish Councillors of Hampsthwaite Parish Council Resolved: The council received the written application for the office of Parish Councillor.</p> <p>b) For the council to consider the applications Resolved: The council considered the application and were pleased to welcome Robert Selby as a councillor.</p>	✓ ✓

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2025.133	S106 / CIL Funding	<p>a) For the clerk to update the council on the transfer of monetary amounts to “Verges”.</p> <p>Deferred: The council agreed to the clerks request to defer this item as there was no update.</p>	RB
2025.134	Memorial Hall and The Arts & Craft Studio	<p>a) For GH to update the council on the progress of the extension to the Memorial Hall and for the council to consider any further action</p> <p>Ongoing: Cllr Howard informed the council that work was going well and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He would circulate the new costings for the extension. • Will confirm when agreement is formally agreed with FCC Communities Foundation who are providing the grant for the above ground build. • Gas works are due to take place of Friday 11th July 2025. <p>b) GH to provide a financial briefing to the council on projected income and anticipated expenditures ahead of the July PC Meeting. The council will also review and consider pre-approving payments for expected costs.</p> <p>Resolved: The council agreed to payments in line with the councils Finance Policy, providing S106/Grant funding had been received.</p> <p>c) For the council to note the clerk’s completion of the acceptance form for Northern Gas installation works (inv-90164279)</p> <p>Resolved: The council note the clerk’s acceptance and payment of the installation works.</p>	GH
2025.135	Parish Asset Maintenance	<p>a) For the clerk to update on the Parish Tree Survey and for the council to consider any further action</p> <p>Ongoing: see item 2025.125 (b)</p> <p>b) GH to update the council on the maintenance work carried out by AFC22 Platoon, in the village.</p> <p>Resolved: GH was please to report that the weekend was a success, and the cadets were a “credit to the army” with many projects being completed. The council also thanked the cadets and Cllr Howard for organising and supervising the work.</p>	RB
2025.136	Budget & Banking Matters	<p>a) For the council to consider the Bank Reconciliation for June 2025</p> <p>Resolved: The council noted the Bank Reconciliation</p> <p>b) For the council to consider the Budget Report dated 3rd July 2025</p> <p>Resolved: The council considered and noted the Budget Report as presented.</p>	✓
2025.137	Financial Matters	<p>a) For the council to note payment (6th June 2025) to Zurich Inv-544092363 (£1165.62)</p> <p>Ongoing: The council noted the payment. GH asked the clerk to investigate if and/or what responsibility the Parish Council has to insure the Memorial Hall. The clerk will check with Zurich and report back at the next meeting</p> <p>b) For the council to consider payment to YLCA Inv4249 (£27.40)</p> <p>Resolved: The council agreed the payment.</p>	RB

- c) For the council to note payment of the revised invoice to SSE Inv-IV02982672 (£2120.38 + 106.02 Vat)
Resolved: The council noted the revised payment. ✓
- d) For the council to consider the clerks salary for June 2025 (£556.45)
Resolved: The council agreed the payment. ✓
- e) For the council to consider payment to HMRC for Month 3 (169.28)
Resolved: The council agreed the payment. ✓
- f) For the council to note payment to New Lodge Contractors Inv-1332 (£35047.10 + £7009.42 Vat)
Resolved: The council agreed the payment. ✓
- g) For the council to consider payment to Business Stream Inv-8144040 (£23.26)
Resolved: The council agreed the payment. ✓
- h) For the council to note the payment to DFE UK Ltd Inv-59954 (£772.00 + £154.40 Vat)
Resolved: The council agreed the payment. ✓
- i) For the council to note VAT Reclaim for 2025 Part 1 (£14041.77)
Resolved: The council noted the VAT reclaim had been applied for. ✓
- j) For the council to note receipt from NYC S106 (£31432.73)
Resolved: The council noted the receipt from NYC ✓
- k) For the council to note receipt from NYC S106 (45173.24)
Resolved: The council noted the receipt from NYC ✓
- l) For the council to note payment to Northern Gas Networks Inv-90164279 (£1842.90 + £368.58 Vat)
Resolved: The council noted the payment to Northern Gas Networks. ✓
- m) For the council to note reimbursement to the Memorial Hall for work undertaken by AFC22 Platoon (£443.28 + £6.39 Vat)
Resolved: The council noted that the Memorial Hall had been reimbursed for the work carried by AFC22 Platoon. ✓

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Summary Payments to consider:

	Payment to	Amount
a)	Zurich (Inv-544092363)	£1165.62
b)	YLCA (Inv-4249)	£27.40
c)	SSE (Inv-IV02982672)	£2226.40
d)	R Bareham (June 2025)	£556.45
e)	HMRC (Month 3)	£169.28
f)	New Lodge Contractors (Inv-1332)	£42056.52
g)	Business Stream (Inv-8144040)	£23.26
h)	DFE UK Ltd (Inv-59954)	£926.40
l)	Northern Gas (Inv90164279)	£2211.48
m)	Memorial Hall (AFC Platoon)	£449.67
Total		£49812.48

Resolved: Payments were agreed.

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| 2025.139 | Staffing & Training Matters
a) For the council to consider the clerk’s additional 9 hours for June 2025
Resolved: The council agreed to clerk’s additional hours. | RB |
| 2025.140 | To confirm the date of the next Council meeting(s):
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council 12th August 2025 @ 7.30pm
<i>(Cut-off date for agenda items 5th August 2025 please)</i>
Resolved: The date of the next meeting was noted. | ✓ |
| | Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council 9th September 2025 @ 7.30pm
<i>(Cut-off date for agenda items 2nd September 2025 please)</i>
Resolved: The date of the September meeting was noted. | ✓ |

The Chairman Closed the meeting at 8:50pm

Signed.....

Dated.....

Appendix A

Planning

I previously updated the parish council on the new government imposed housing targets, and the resulting impact on the status of the existing local plan. North Yorkshire Council is in the process of drawing up a county-wide local plan, and in the intervening period are relying on the legacy Harrogate Borough Council's adopted local plan. Until March, this plan was 'up to date' with a supply of housing that exceeded 5 years. Having an up to date plan along with a 5 year supply of planning permissions would usually result in planning applications for housing sites outside of the local plan being refused. By imposing a new, increased target, and applying it to the existing plan, the current local plan automatically is deemed 'out of date', as there is no longer a 5 year housing supply.

I consider this government imposition of a new, higher target, to be undemocratic. Of course the current local plan does not provide for the increased housing numbers, as it was never meant to, it was drawn up for much smaller housing levels. Development should always be 'plan-led', but the government approach deliberately undermines the current local plan, and increases the chances of the council being forced to give planning permission on sites that they would otherwise resist. The government has tied both the councils hands behind their back, as planning law says *'permission must be granted unless the adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits'* if the council doesn't have an up to date plan. The government has caused this situation deliberately.

It is no coincidence that there are now two developers who have gone public with plans to bring forward planning applications on land in Killinghall.

Michael

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