Minutes of the meeting of Burythorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th March 2025 in the Church Hall

Present: J Raine (Chair), I Collingwood, A Kilvington, G Massey, D Hill, J Hall and C Scholefield. Also present: S Syms (clerk).

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from I Hutchinson.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and it was agreed that they were a true record.

3. Matters arising

AONB - no updates yet.

Bank signatories – an application to change the signatories has been made. Still waiting to hear.

Action: Clerk

Pub lights – no written response has been received from either the brewery or the pub. Pub to be informed prior to the next PC meeting, so that they can attend. Front lights are turned off when the pub is closed, but the rear ones are on 24/7.

Grit boxes/Highways portal – the Clerk is unable to log on to the NYC Highways portal, despite many attempts and conversations with NYC. CS agreed to report anything that needs to be reported. [From the last meeting: Clerk will contact Highways about the location of the Violet Hill pile - one is required on either side of the junction, one for each road. Please can you do this Caroline? Bit late now but hopefully they can log it for next year...]

Action: CS

Victoria Bungalows – all seems to be quiet and nothing to report.

4. Footpath monitoring

IC brought a map showing all the public rights of way in the parish, which CS photographed and shared. It was agreed that everyone should keep a general eye on the paths and their accessibilities, etc. Standard width for a footpath is 1.5m, and 2m for a bridleway.

5. Potholes by Victoria Bungalows

IC reported that the potholes have returned, causing potential danger to residents, and anyone on a bike or motorbike. CS to photograph and measure, and add to the Highways portal.

Action: CS

6. Cheques to be authorised:

None

7. Planning applications:

Mount Farm update – the Q plan permission was granted but won't be followed up as builders were not keen. Full planning permission will be applied for for a number of separate houses instead. The stone barn received approval but unlikely to start before next year.

Holiday cabin, Park Farm – no objections

High Penhowe, amended application – no comments were sought

8. AOB

- GM will be attending the Dark Skies meeting and will feedback to the PC.
- JR summarised the email from the Parish Liaison committee
- JS reported that the trees near the pub are growing through the wires again, following the previous pruning.
- CS mentioned concerns about the large sycamore behind the BT building neighbours to contact BT direct to discuss.
- A new signpost has been erected at the crossroads.

9. Date of next meeting

The meeting was closed at 8.45pm. Next meeting on Tuesday 13th May 2025