

## Minutes of the meeting of Burythorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025 in the Church Hall

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

1. Apologies

None.

2. Minutes of the last meeting to be approved

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

3. Matters arising

**Overhanging trees on road near sports field** – Nigel Fargher was employed to cut these back, with the help of IH and JS, who removed the debris to a bonfire. Thanks were extended to IH and JS.

**Litter picking** – the Clerk has had no luck in sourcing equipment from NYC, so the PC will buy its own. Who would like to look into this?

**Action: ?**

**Access to The Stray** – the right of way is reported as impassable at present. Someone [*who?*] to speak to the Websters to discuss suggestions or diversions.

**Action: ?**

4. Precept

It was agreed to keep the precept at the same level as the previous year: £1500. Proposed by GM and seconded by JH.

**Action: Clerk**

5. Dark Skies status

Funding is available for a Dark Skies evaluation. JR to look into it.

**Action: JR**

6. Church Hall noticeboard

The noticeboard is hard to access and to shut, and it has been suggested that it should be replaced. However, it's owned by the church, so not for the PC to deal with. Maybe a new PC/village noticeboard? Where? What?

**Action : all**

7. Conversations about the church and benefactor

Many questions have been asked about the £1 million bequeathed to Burythorpe church. It was agreed to ask Rev Cate and the Davids to attend a PC meeting to explain their plans and views on it.

**Action: Clerk**

8. Broken fence where Lang Hill Road crosses stream

The fence guiding traffic away from the stream has collapsed. Clerk to report it to Highways.

**Action: Clerk**

9. Rubbish outside Victoria Bungalows

A large amount of rubbish has been left outside No 2 following the departure of the last residents. Clerk to contact YHA and/or NYC to have it removed.

**Action: Clerk**

10. Cheques authorised:

Ryedale Web Services - £199.00 (596)

A S Syms – Clerk's salary (May to Nov 7 x 54.84) - £383.88 (597)

11. Planning applications:

New house at Menethorpe - approved

12. AOB

- Standing water was reported on roads near sand quarry and Lang Hill Road. Question of whose responsibility it is to clear the culverts.
- The process of adding/changing signatories on the account is, at last, making progress....

13. Date of next meeting

The meeting was closed at 8.50pm. Next meeting on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026**.