

**Minutes of the meeting of Weaverthorpe Parish Council held at 7pm on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025 in  
Weaverthorpe Village Hall**

**Alteration to today's Agenda:** Following a meeting held between the MD of Play Fitness, the Chairman and the Clerk last week, an additional item has been added to the agenda regarding this.

1. **To receive apologies for absence:** There were no apologies for absence
2. **Co-option of new Councillor:** The Clerk has contacted NYC and they say the co-option can go ahead. New Councillor Ocean Burdett was proposed by J Mason and seconded by S Taylor. A Register of Interests form was completed for NYC and an Acceptance of Office form was also completed.
3. **Matters to be raised by members of the public:** There is a lot of concern over the reliability of the internet in the village. This will be discussed under correspondence.  
A question was raised about what triggers the CEP to be put into place. This was in particular reference to the power cut that the village suffered on 24<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup> January. Particular reference was made regarding the lack of communication as when the power shuts down it affects mobile coverage as well as land line phones. It was noted that land line will not be present in the future when Digital Voice will be delivered via the internet. The Clerk will enquire of NYC what should trigger the CEP.
4. **To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.
5. **Matters arising from those minutes:** None
6. **Finance and Governance:** There have been no invoices presented for payment during the period since the last meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025.  
The balances at the bank are as follows:  
Current Account: £4840.39  
Old Reserve Account: £20060.28  
95 day notice Reserve Account: £3209.33  
We have been notified by Nat West that the interest rate on the ordinary Reserve Account will decrease from 1.25% to 1.10% from 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025.  
G Ashby was appointed as the internal auditor for the 2024/ 25 accounts, once they have been prepared at the end of the financial year.
7. **Correspondence:** An email had been received from a resident adjacent to the War Memorial, following a post on Facebook, that he will continue to cut the grass at this location and requires no payment for that.  
A letter has been received from a lady from Kent enquiring about her 4 x Great Grandmother who was born in Weaverthorpe in 1740. She is enquiring as to whether we know anything about the family or who should could contact further. I have emailed the Secretary of the PCC to see if they hold records dating back to that period.  
An e mail, has been received from a resident about the uncertainty of the broadband connection in Weaverthorpe, and many outages that occur. She states that Open Reach have no plans to build a better service in the village but if residents register their interest for a full fibre service on the Open Reach website it may expedite them looking at bringing the potential increase in service forward. The Clerk forwarded the email to the Warbler and an article sent out to that distribution. It was agreed that we should contact Janet Sanderson as North Yorkshire Council originally favoured the current situation as opposed to a line of sight connection from elsewhere.

A letter dated Nov 24 was received by email on 10<sup>th</sup> March from a consultant looking at the availability of play pitches, inside and out. The Clerk has completed a survey on this subject on the NYC website giving details of what is available in the village. i.e the Village Hall.

We continue to get emails from a group called FASC-NY, who are seeking our support for fixed and average speed cameras in North Yorkshire. It was agreed that our participation in CSW and the VAS in the village, demonstrate our commitment to reduce speeding in the village.

An email has been received from a resident of Rarey Drive regarding parking on that road. The Clerk had taken some photos on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March which showed several vehicles parked and blocking the pavement. It was agreed that the police would not take any action on this. WPC will put an article in the April Warbler asking residents and their visitors to park responsibly in the village and to respect that footpaths are there for pedestrians and must be left clear.

The YLCA White Rose bulletin issued on Friday points out that the Financial Regulations that were adopted by this council at our AM last year have been updated. The Clerk will update these and present them for adoption at the next meeting of the Council in May.

**8. Details of any planning applications received and responses**

ZE25/000134/HOUSE – 4 Waddale End – Various alterations – no objections

ZE25/00041/FUL – The Greens, Back Lane – Erection of a barn – no objections

ZE14/00995/HOUSE – The School House- Various alterations – Approved

**9. Police Matters: None**

**10. VAS Data:** From 20<sup>th</sup> January to yesterday total of 21,242 vehicles passed through the village in a westerly direction, with an average speed of 30 mph. The top speeder was 65mph on 27<sup>th</sup> January at 15:40, which is a concern.

**11. Role of the Parish Council:** The Chairman reported that he had created a Facebook presence on the website but was struggling to create a PC Facebook page. A reply is awaited from FB on this. It was agreed that the flyer would not be published until this problem has been resolved.

**12. Installation of Play Equipment:** The Chairman and the Clerk met with the installer of the play equipment on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

The removal of the old equipment was discussed and we agreed that we would ask our grass cutting contractor to remove the old equipment, once we know the exact dates of installation. The installation will last approximately 4 days. We will ask a neighbour if the contractors can access their water tap which is opposite the green, with a back up of toilets and possible water supply from the Village Hall.

The spoil from digging the holes will be placed in builder's bags and delivered to 7 Waddale End.

The exact location of the water supply to the Blue Bell houses is that it comes diagonally across the green from the NE corner to the manhole on the pavement approximately 1 metre west of the play area sign.

The Clerk will relay the above information to the contractor and ask that they try and avoid the Easter school holidays.

The meeting finished at 8pm.

Date of next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (Annual Meeting)