



# MINUTES of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025

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**Present:** Cllr Houghton   Cllr Jordan   Cllr Shields

**Clerk:** MRS C Smith   **7 Members of the public**

**25.0 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS-** the following items were raised:

- **A drainage issue has been identified:** down the road from Manor House. The road has been washed away, and the ditch at the bottom is filled. Water continues to flow down the main road, filling the sewer near Low Pastures and the adjacent field, despite the grates being cleared.

**Action:** *Write to Bolton Estate regarding the culvert. Contact North Yorkshire Council (NYC) to obtain maps of the drainage system.*

- **Hargill Road:** Additional water flow noted.
- **Yorkshire Water Sewerage System:** Yorkshire Water has failed to improve the sewerage system despite a promised upgrade.

**Action:** *Write to Yorkshire Water regarding concerns over the sewerage system.*

- **Village Tap in the middle of the green:** has burst due to freezing weather.

**Action:** *Cllr Shields to fix and insulate the tap on the green.*

- **Parking Concerns:** Issues raised regarding parking in the village.
- **High Green Protection:** Discussed the protection of the Village Green; wooden posts to be considered.

**Action:** *Clerk to look at costings for posts on Village Greens and Cllr Jordan to follow up on the installation of the knee rail fence.*

**25.1 APOLOGIES-** Ian Spensley.

**25.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST-** None.

**25.3 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024-** were approved and signed as a true record.

**25.4 NOTICE OF VACANCY CLLR R STRONG (THIS VACANCY CAN BE FILLED BY CO-OPTION)-** An application was received from Mr. Allan Workman, who has 15 months of volunteering experience assisting with national park footpaths and railway maintenance. The Council resolved to



accept this application and co-opt Mr. Workman onto Redmire Parish Council, recognising the valuable experience in environmental conservation and community service that he brings to the Council.

- Declaration forms were issued.

***Action: Mr Workman to complete the declaration forms and return to the Clerk.***

## **25.5 REPORTS**

- a) Police Report-** Attached as an appendix.
- b) Update from meetings attended by Council-**Cllr Houghton attended a Teams meeting with the Strategic Health Authority. Due to connection issues, a face-to-face meeting has been rescheduled to discuss rural health concerns.

**25.6 EMERGENCY PLANNING-** Discussion on developing an emergency plan for Redmire, incorporating provisions for extreme weather events.

***Action: Cllr Jordan to review the original Emergency Plan & Cllr Houghton to speak with original resilience group members.***

**25.7 GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES IN NORTH YORKSHIRE** –Discussion on objections to the allocation of £14.5 million for rural communities. Points considered:

- a) Impact of funding shortfall on vital services.
- b) Strategies to address financial deficits and advocate for fair funding.
- c) Implications of the Government's spending review on future allocations.

***Action: Clerk to write a letter to North Yorkshire Council raising concerns and objections.***

**25.8 HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE-** No update, awaiting face to face meeting.

## **25.9 LAND**

- a) Tree Condition Survey-** Report to be prepared by tree specialist for the next meeting.

## **25.10 NORTH YORKSHIRE HIGHWAYS & STREET LIGHTING**

**Monument Lamp Repair:** The old wire is damaged and needs replacement, and the corroded box does not meet Health & Safety requirements. NYC suggested installing a new armoured wire to the light fitting at the top and running it to a



new communications box behind the bus shelter to ensure security. The Parish Council were informed that NYC have a more suitable glass lantern for the top.

**Street Lighting Review: NYC** inspected other street lighting for necessary upgrades or repairs. A Review of street lighting in the village by Cllr Jordan identified additional outages which have been reported to NYC.

**NYC Highways:** Attended to clear the drains on the main route through the village.

### 25.11 PLANNING

- a) Ref. No: ZD24/00665/NMA | Land East Of Briar Close Redmire: Decided
- b) Ref. No: ZD24/00659/DIS | Bolton Arms Hotel Redmire DL8 4EA: Decided
- c) [ZD24/00725/FULL | Full planning permission for erection of greenhouse | Norgarth Redmire Leyburn](#) No objections.

### 25.12 FINANCE

- a) **Bank Reconciliation Statement** dated 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024- approved and signed as a true record.
- b) **Net position** and Bank balance of £7857.18 on 30th December 2024- Noted.
- c) **Items awaiting payment-** Approved.
- d) **Payment's schedule-**Noted.

### 25.13 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC- the council passed the

following resolution: *"That in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meeting) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following matter on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972." The meeting will re-convene in a closed session after item 25.12 with the press and public excluded due to the nature of the business being prejudicial under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960*

**25.14 HOUSING-**The Council discussed quotations received for the transfer of housing assets. ***Further clarification was requested on the quotation specifics before a decision can be made.***

- **DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Additional Meeting:** To be arranged for mid-March. **Annual Meeting:** Tuesday, 22nd April 2025.



## Appendix

### Monthly Police Report – 8th Dec 2024 – 8th Jan 2025

We do not report crimes whereby victims could be identified, for Domestic Violence or harassment although these are included in the totals below.

Leyburn Police Station covers the areas of Arkengarthdale. Swaledale, from Hudswell up to the county border. Wensleydale from the Hambleton to Cumbria borders, Coverdale and Bishopdale.

- 15 - Road Traffic Collisions (Minor).
- 1 – RTC (Serious).
- 12 – Abandoned calls (pocket dials/misdials).
- 5 – Lost/Found.
- 15 – Suspicious Circumstances (Door to door sellers/Vehicles parked, etc.).
- 1 – Stalking/Harassment.
- 9 – Concern for Safety.
- 7 – Anti Social Behaviour (Personal).
- 5 – ASB (Nuisance).
- 1 – ASB (Environmental).
- 1 – Civil Dispute.
- 7 – Violence.
- 3 – Burglary (out buildings entered).
- 4 – Road Related Offences (manner of driving/vehicles without tax and possible OPL).
- 1 – Missing Person.
- 2 – Criminal damage.
- 15 – Highway Disruption (Animal/Snow/Floods/Trees).
- 1 – Fraud/Forgery (online/phone).

In total 130 calls were received reporting either the above or making general enquiries.

The Neighbourhood Team will continue attending Town/Parish council meetings and Community drop ins/events where duties allow.

PCSO 5232 Don Watson.  
PC 355 Heather Campbell.  
PCSO 5777 Sharon Diamond.  
PCSO 5550 Tracie Taylor-Page.

### Agenda Item 25.7 summary

**North Yorkshire Council Funding Shortfall:** North Yorkshire faces a £6.5 million shortfall in funding following the latest local government funding settlements.

**Rural Grants Cut:** The axing of rural grants worth £14.3 million per year has significantly impacted the county.

**National Insurance Costs:** Increases in employer's National Insurance costs have added to the financial burden.

**Deputy Leader's Concerns:** Cllr Gareth Dadd has expressed disappointment with the financial settlement, highlighting the disadvantage faced by rural councils compared to urban areas.

**Spending Review:** The Government has pledged a spending review, with deprivation being a key driver for funding allocation.

**Service Challenges:** The sparsely populated communities in North Yorkshire face higher costs for services such as home to school transport and social care.

Full article available here: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/news/2024/warning-over-multi-million-pound-shortfall-councils-budget>



### Payment schedule

Date	Type	Description	Amount
23-Jan-25	DD	HMRC TAX & NI	-131.2
15-Jan-25	CHG	TOTAL BANK CHARGES TO 24DEC2024	-8
02-Jan-25	BP	Playsafety ltd 83380	-93.6
30-Dec-24	SO	MRS CE SMITH REDMIRE PC HWA	-26
29-Dec-24	BP	Charlotte Smith Redmire PC Salary	
30-Dec-24	SO	MRS CE SMITH REDMIRE PC HWA	-26
29-Dec-24	BP	Charlotte Smith Redmire PC Salary	
16-Dec-24	CHG	TOTAL BANK CHARGES TO 24NOV2024	-8.5
05-Dec-24	BP	Charlotte Smith Redmire PC Salary	
04-Dec-24	BP	Pkf littlejohn	-378

### Invoices awaiting payment approval

**Vision ICT website services - £161.26**

