

GREEN HAMMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council
held on **Wednesday 30th April 2025 at 7.30pm** in Green Hammerton Village Hall.

- Present:** Councillors M. Simpson (Chairman), C. Jeffrey, A. Mistry, I. Mills, County Councillor Arneken
- 2024/183** An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of the meeting.
- 2024/184** It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting for up to 15 minutes to take questions or comments and representations through the Chairman in respect of the business on the agenda. 4 members of the public were present. A member of the public requested improved bus services to Harrogate, Councillor Arneken and the Clerk will raise the issue with East Riding bus company. A question was raised regarding plinth seats and pigeon fouling. A request was made to cut the grass on the verges outside of the church.
- 2024/185** **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Councillor Taylor and approval of reasons was given. It was noted that Councillor Hartley has resigned
- 2024/186** **Declarations of interest**
a) There were no declarations of interest under council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
b) No applications of dispensation were received.
- 2024/187** **Minutes**
The minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council held on 26th March 2025 were signed and confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings. (Circulated under separate cover).
- 2024/188** **North Yorkshire Council Report**
A report was received from Councillor Warneken on North Yorkshire Council. The Maltkiln inspectors report is due at the end of May. There is a meeting of the joint council and Sir Alec Shelbrooke and a report is due from that meeting. Councillor Jeffrey asked about the condition of New Lane and requested it be improved. Councillor Jeffrey will contact NYC copying in Councillor Warneken who will follow it up also.
- 2024/189** **Clerk's Report**
- James Mackman has been appointed as the internal auditor
 - The Playground has been installed, safety checked and is open to the public
 - Payment has been made to the Bad apple Theatre Group of £647.26
 - NYC has been contacted regarding the co-option of councillors and the response has been circulated to councillors
 - The Maltkin comments on the planning application have been submitted and acknowledged
- 2024/190** **Financial matters**
The following financial matters were considered:
a) The Schedule of Payments, circulated in advance of the meeting to include Kompan final payment of the playground of £72,000, £90 the Bay

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Horse warm spaces initiative, £469.00 YLCA annual membership and the playground fence £9185.00 were approved.

b) The bank balances were noted:

Unity Trust Current

Balance Bfwd 19/03/2025	£ 889.41
£ Income	£138,375.73 (incl. £5,000 transfer from deposit)
£ Expenditure	£ 72,721.04
£ Balance as at 18/04/2025	£ 66,544.10

Unity Trust Deposit

£ Balance as at 18/04/2025	£ 10,933.90
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c) It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should ask for an extension of submission of the AGAR to PKF Littlejohn until 31st July 2025.

2024/191

a) Planning applications to consider

Application	Proposal	Location	Comments
6.103.4.B.TPO ZC25/01197/TPO	Crown lift (by 5m) of 1no. Beech (T1) within Tree Preservation Order 12/2025	North End The Green Green Hammerton York North Yorkshire YO26 8BQ	SUPPORTS

b) **Planning decisions** – no planning decisions were received

c) **Planning objections** - no objections were received

d) **Planning enforcements** – no planning enforcements were received

2024/192

Malkiln

Councillor Warneken provided an update on Malkiln in his NYC report.

2022/193

Helenfield Report

There were no matters to consider.

2024/194

Grass cutting

The grass cutting request from the GHRC was reviewed and it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to support the request for £4,500 using S137 power.

2024/195

Cycleway

An update on the cycleway project was received from Jonathan Purday. A revised specification of the soakaway has been requested by the Internal Drainage Board leading to an increased financial requirement of £20,000. The committee will arrange a meeting with key stakeholders, and it was **AGREED** that Councillor Melnyk should join the sub-committee. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should send details of all grant providers to Jonathan Purday.

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- 2024/196 The Plinth**
An update on the plinth was received by email from Councillor Hartley and it was **AGREED** that a litter pick should take place through NYC since their insurance will cover the Parish Council and volunteers. It was **AGREED** to put this item on the agenda for the Annual Meeting.
- 2024/197 Parish Survey**
Councillor Jeffrey provided an update on the Parish Survey. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Mills should investigate Wi-Fi for the telephone box.
- 2024/198 Emergency Resilience & Training**
An update was received from Councillor Simpson, and it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Melnyk should liaise with John Lambert to move the project forward.
- 2024/199 GHRC**
An update was received on the GHRC, and it was **AGREED** that Councillor Simpson should email the Chair of GHRC to determine when the next meeting is scheduled and to consider appointing a trustee from the Parish Council in time for the GHRC's AGM.
- 2024/200 Pathkeeper Project**
An update was received on the Pathkeeper Project and no action was required.
- 2024/201 Email from a resident**
An email was received from a resident regarding roads and Councillor Warneken confirmed that the road had been paid for by Network Rail however since the standard is very poor, NYC has asked Network Rail to redo it as it is an adopted highway. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should send the resident's email address to Councillor Simpson.
- 2024/202 Annual Meeting of the Council**
The format for the Annual meeting of the council was considered and it was **AGREED** that the following should be contacted to give updates: Parish Survey, the School, the Archaeological Society, a Dog warden from NYC, the GHRC and the Cricket Club.
- 2024/203 Co-option**
The next steps were considered, and it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to elect William Melnyk as a councillor.
- 2024/204 Standing Orders**
The revised Standing Orders were received from NALC and **APPROVED**.
- 2025/205 Date of the next meeting**
The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 28th May to follow the Parish Meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm