

GREEN HAMMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council
to be held on **Wednesday 25th June at 7.30pm** in Green Hammerton Village Hall

Present: Councillors A. Mistry (Acting Chair), A. Taylor, L. Ormandy, W. Melnyk

Clerk: J. Merriman

2025/20 An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting.

2025/21 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. There were 4 members of the public present.

2025/22 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors M. Simpson, I. Mills and C. Jeffrey and approve reasons for absence

2025/23 **Declarations of interest**

- a) There were no declarations of interest under council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
- b) There were no applications of dispensation.

2025/24 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council held on 28th May 2025 were approved and signed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

2025/25 **North Yorkshire Council Report**

A report was received from NYC Councillor Arnold Warneken. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would request the NYC document from Councillor Warneken regarding the call for sites.

2025/26 **Clerk's Report**

- The Clerk has ordered litter picking equipment for the 13th July from NYC and has received confirmation that it will be delivered to the Village Hall
- The Clerk has sent BCC's contact details to Councillor Melnyk regarding emergency planning
- The VAT totalling £13,530.83 has been received from the April claim
- The Clerk has requested information on free Wi-fi from Councillor Warneken. Cllr Melnyk is investigating with Open Reach.

2025/27 **Financial matters**

The following financial matters were considered:

a) The Schedule of Payments, circulated in advance of the meeting was approved including TPSL £57.99, TPSL £30.00, Vision ICT £8.00

b) The Bank Reconciliation was noted.

£ Balance b/wd 21/05/2025 £11,446.87

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£ Income	£13,688.46
£ Expenditure	£ 21,053.12 (£20,000 transfer to deposit)
£ Balance as at 21/06/2025	£ 4,082.21

Unity Trust Deposit £ 22,933.90

2025/28

Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2024/25

- a) The Annual Governance Statement as prepared by the Clerk and validated by the Internal Controls procedure by Councillor Mistry and the Internal Auditor was received, considered and it was **RESOLVED** to approve it.
- b) The Accounting Statements were considered by the members meeting as a whole.
- c) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Accounting Statements.
- d) The Accounting Statements were signed and dated by Councillor Mistry presiding at the meeting at which that approval is given. It was **RESOLVED** that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return should then be submitted to the External Auditor, PKF Littlejohn LLP to comply with the statutory deadline of 30th June 2025
- e) There were no other matters to consider.

2025/29

The following planning matters were noted.

a) Planning consultations – no planning consultations were received

b) Planning decisions

Application	Proposal	Location	Decision
Decision No 25/01331/FUL	Single storey rear extension to form kitchen / living / dining together with internal alterations	5 New Lane Green Hammerton North Yorkshire YO26 8BL	GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.

c) Planning enforcements – no planning enforcements were received

2025/30

North Yorkshire Local Plan

The North Yorkshire plan was considered, and it was **AGREED** that a working group consisting of Councillors Jeffrey, Melnyk and Mistry would be established and that the plan would be agreed with the full council and a submission made by the 15th July.

2025/31

Maltkiln

There was no progress reported on Maltkiln.

2025/32

Helenfield Report

Councillor Taylor provided an update. Two students have completed their DoFE hours and have contributed greatly. It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor

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Ormandy would be appointed to the committee and it was **AGREED** that the Clerk should order a sign to say please close the gate behind you.

- 2025/33 Benches and bins**
It was **AGREED** that the bench at Councillor Taylor's property will be placed by the path within the field. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should ask Street Scene regarding the process and costs involved in moving the bin. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Ormandy should discuss the bins and benches with the trustees of GHRC.
- 2025/34 Emergency Resilience & Training**
Councillor Melnyk provided an update on progress. Councillor Warneken reported that the original files should be lodged at NYC and that he will look for a contact to provide the original files. If finances are required Councillor Warneken advised that the Locality fund may be available.
- 2025/35 Cycleway**
Councillor Warneken provided an update on the cycleway project and a site meeting will be arranged. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Taylor would liaise with Jon Purday to obtain 3 quotes for the section that requires work.
- 2025/36 GHRC**
An update on the GHRC was received from Councillor Ormandy who had attended the AGM. New trustees had been elected and the next meeting will be on the 15th July. There will be a strategy session at the next meeting to use the commuted sums allocated. Councillor Mistry carried out an independent audit as a qualified accountant and has made recommendations to the GHRC.
- 2025/37 Phone box**
An update was received on progress with the refurbishment of the phone box from Councillor Taylor and suggestions made for its future use included adding some walking leaflets in the box and Litter picking equipment. Wifi is being investigated by Councillor Melnyk.
- 2025/38 Plinth maintenance**
It was **AGREED** to add the cost of maintenance of the plinth into next year's budget.
- 2025/39 To confirm the date of the next meeting**
30th July 7.30pm. Councillor Ormandy gave apologies in advance.

The meeting closed at 8.50