

GREEN HAMMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council
held on **Wednesday 25th March 2026 at 7.30pm** in Green Hammerton Village Hall

Present: Councillors M. Simpson (Chairman), A. Mistry, A. Taylor, L. Ormandy,
C. Jeffrey, W. Melnyk, County Councillor Warneken

Clerk: J. Merriman

2025/163 An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting.

2025/164 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. 8 members of the public were present. The North Yorkshire Council update was brought forward at this point. Q1 the issue was raised of excessive traffic speeds on the A59 and the safety issue for drivers and pedestrians. A1. The answer was that the data showed that there were only 3 slight accidents therefore the speed limit could not be reduced. Q2 With the Maltkiln development there will be 4000 more cars on the road, what can be done to make the road safer A2. Melissa Burnham (MB) will take that back to her team and find out further information. Q3. We would like to prevent serious accidents rather than wait for one to happen before we put measures in place. A3. MB will investigate this issue with her team Q4. I live in the village and there have definitely been more than 3 accidents how are they measured? A4 MB will take this to her team. Q5. How is the seriousness of an accident measured as the person who was deemed to be 'injured slightly' had a broken pelvis? A5 MB will check the criteria with her team. Q6. I am concerned about pedestrian safety for all groups of people, there is a dangerous crossing point in the village A6. The kerb will be dropped next month on the opposite side of the current dropped kerb. Will there be a white line? A. MB Yes, that will be looked into. The footpath has been dropped by the developer, but MB will look into the costings, although NYC do not have the funding. Q7 The footpath along to Kirk Hammerton station on the A59 is very narrow are there any plans to improve the footpath? A7. MB will investigate. Q8 How are Highways going to interact with Maltkiln and Green Hammerton, the developers need to put in proper plans to planning. Q9 Mayoral funding is it available over and above the current Highways budget. Q9. Yes, it is but it needs to be allocated. Cllr Warneken suggested GHPC come up with a plan of different issues for Highways and put it together. This item will be put on the agenda for the April meeting. Councillor Simpson gave thanks to Melissa Burnham for attending.

2025/165 **Apologies**
a) Apologies were received from Councillor Mills
b) Reasons for absence were approved

2025/166 **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

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Minutes

The minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council held on the 25th February 2026 were approved and signed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

2025/168

North Yorkshire Council Report

This item was brought to the start of the agenda. A report was received from NYC Councillor Arnold Warneken and Melisa Burnham from North Yorkshire Highways was welcomed. Melissa Burnham took questions, gave an update on potholes, offered to send links to various Highways issues and also to carry out a site visit in the village.

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Clerk's Report

- The Clerk has sent an email to Chris Blackburn requesting collision data and the justification of the decision regarding the A59, no response has been received
- The Clerk has reported the issue of parking to the football team and a response has been received
- The Clerk has confirmed to R. Powley that he should continue the grass cutting for this season and that a 3-year tender will be issued later on in the year
- The Clerk has asked Scott Baker to liaise with Councillor Taylor regarding the guttering and the defibrillator
- A spreadsheet has been set up to record details of grant allocations
- Councillor Mills has clarified the cycleway budget with Jon Purday
- The Clerk has written to NYC and the member of the public to support the Skewkirk Crossing
- There has been a meeting of the Working Group to discuss S106 projects and a further meeting with Lee Jones of commuted sums is being organised

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Financial matters

The following financial matters were considered:

a) The Schedule of Payments, circulated in advance of the meeting, was approved to include stationery for £13.50

b) The Bank Reconciliation was noted

£ Balance b/wd 22/02/2026	£ 2,292.84
£ Income	£ 5,000.00 (transfer from deposit)
£ Expenditure	£ 2,229.04
£ Balance as at 18/03/2026	£ 5,063.80

Unity Trust Deposit £ 20,283.23

c) The appointment of the auditor for the 2025/6 AGAR was considered and it was **AGREED** to appoint James Mackman.

d) The financial regulations were reviewed and **APPROVED**.

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Cycleway Update

An update was received on the cycleway, and it was **RESOLVED** to obtain a breakdown of costing and sources of income for the council. It was

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AGREED to purchase 2 no horses signs and 2 designated cycleway signs, the cost to be incorporated into the cycleway costings.

2025/172 **The following planning matters were considered and noted:**

a) Planning consultations

Application No.	Proposal	Location	Comments
26/01033/DVCON	Section 73 application for the Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Drawings) of Listed Building Consent HGT22/03710/LB for replacement external doors, window refurbishment and internal alterations.	Stamford House The Green Green Hammerton North Yorkshire YO26 8BQ	NO OBJECTIONS

b) Planning decisions - no planning decisions were received

c) Planning enforcements

Case No.	Location	Alleged Breach
26/00147/PR15	Street Record Water Slack Lane Green Hammerton North Yorkshire	Alleged replacement of fencing within a conservation area
26/00150/PR15	Bay Horse Inn And Motel York Road Green Hammerton North Yorkshire YO26 8BN	Alleged noise complaint and unsightliness of marquees. Music playing late in the night up until 11:30
26/00219/BRPC15	Harland House Boroughbridge Road Green Hammerton York North Yorkshire YO26 8AE	Alleged breach of condition in relation to HGT23/01017/FUL regarding works carried out not in accordance with approved plans

2025/173 **Maltkiln**

An update was received from Councillor Warneken on Maltkiln. The plan has been approved. There is a meeting in Kirk Hammerton on 26th March to discuss the plan and Councillor Taylor is attending. The Archaeological Society of Green Hammerton would like to be involved.

2025/174 **Helenfield Report**

An update was received from Councillor Taylor on the Helenfield Committee. The pond is full and there are no issues.

2025/175 **Plinth and phone box**

An update was received from Councillors Melnyk and Taylor. Councillor Taylor has been given the go ahead to put electricity in the phone box.

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Northern Powergrid has recommended a proper line be put in and a separate supply which will be locked. Councillor Taylor will obtain two further quotes for the April agenda.

- 2025/176 GHRC**
The Clerk provided an update on the Working group. A meeting is being arranged with NYC Commuted Sums to determine funding and timings of S106 allocations.
- 2025/177 Village View**
An update was received on the Village View from Councillor Jeffrey. It has been produced, distributed and well received. Councillor Simpson gave thanks to Councillor Jeffrey and her team.
- 2025/178 Emergency Resilience & Training9**
An update on progress was received from Councillor Welnyk. An email has been received from Yorkshire Water and Councillor Welnyk will be moving this item forward. Councillor Simpson requested thought be put into an emergency supply for electricity if there is a power cut.
- 2025/179 Local Transport Plan**
An email was received from NYC regarding the Local Transport Plan survey, and it was **AGREED** that the Clerk should confirm the closing date.
- 2025/180 Risk Assessment**
The risk assessment was reviewed, and it was **AGREED** to approve it subject to Councillor Taylor attending the ponds course and identifying the necessity of a lifebelt.
- 2025/181 Grant Applications**
No grant applications were received.
- 2025/182 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as the 29th April and the Parish meeting 27th May 2026.**

The meeting closed at 20.42