

GREEN HAMMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council
held on **Wednesday 24th June 2026 at 7.30pm** in Green Hammerton Village Hall.

- Present:** Councillors A. Mistry (Chairman), M. Simpson, C. Jeffrey, A. Taylor, I. Mills, L. Ormandy, W. Melnyk, County Councillor A. Warneken
- 2026/44** An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting.
- 2026/45** 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 3 members of the public present, and no questions were asked.
- 2026/46** **Apologies**
All were present therefore there were no apologies.
- 2026/47** **Declarations of interest**
a) No declarations of interest under council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests were received.
b) No applications of dispensation were received.
- 2026/48** **Minutes**
The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Green Hammerton Parish Council held on 27th May 2026 were approved and signed as a true and correct record of proceedings.
- 2026/49** **North Yorkshire Council Report**
An update was received from NYC Councillor Arnold Warneken
- 2026/50** **Clerk's Report**
- The signs for the cycleway have been delivered
 - The Clerk has met with the auditor 2 further times
 - A remote meeting has taken place with the GHRC S106 commuted sums working group
 - £5,000 has been received from Queen Ethelburgas for the cycle path
 - £10,000 has been transferred to the deposit account
- 2026/51** **Financial matters**
To consider the following financial matters:
a) The Schedule of Payments, circulated in advance of the meeting including TP SL £30.00 and £44 Anorak was approved.
- b) The Bank Reconciliation was noted:
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| £ Balance as at 20/05/2026 | £14,773.51 |
| £ Income | £ 5,000.00 |
| £ Expenditure | £10,637.31 |
| £ Balance as at 17/06/2026 | £ 9,136.20 |
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| Unity Trust Deposit | £ 30,406.25 |
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It was **AGREED** to transfer £5,000 from the current account to the deposit account.

c) Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26

(i) The Annual Governance Statement as prepared by the Clerk and validated by the Internal Auditor was received and considered and it was **RESOLVED** to approve it.

(ii) The Accounting Statements were considered by the members meeting as a whole.

(iii) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Accounting Statements.

(iv) The Accounting Statements were signed and dated by the Chairman presiding at the meeting where approval was given. The Annual Governance and Accountability Return will be submitted to the External Auditor, PKF Littlejohn LLP to comply with the statutory deadline of 1st July 2026. It was minuted that the Clerk should be thanked for her work.

(v) There were no other matters to consider.

2026/52

Planning matters.

a) **Planning consultations** – no planning consultations have been received

b) **Planning decisions** - no planning decisions have been received

c) **Planning enforcements** – no planning enforcements have been received

2026/53

Maltkiln

Councillor Warneken provided an update on Maltkiln. Johnsons have submitted an environmental impact assessment screening opinion request. The local flood defence officer will have a meeting with the local councils involved. There is a meeting on the 9th July with NYC planning and the Parish Council liaison group to discuss the Delivery & Infrastructure Plan and Access & Movement.

2026/54

Helenfield Report

An update was received from the Helenfield Committee.

2026/55

Emergency Resilience & Training

An update was received from Councillor Melnyk who will meet Yorkshire Water in July.

2026/56

IT Provision & Website

(i) The IT provision was reviewed, and it was **AGREED** to investigate it and to create a proposal for the next meeting for the next 12 months. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should obtain a list of all email addresses in existence.

(ii) The website was reviewed, and it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would update it at this stage.

2026/57

Cycleway

An update on the cycleway project was received and it was **AGREED** to determine the outcome of funding from the Mayoral fund and to consider an official opening event.

2026/58

GHRC

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58.1 An update was received from Councillor Ormandy on the GHRC confirming that the AGM is next Tuesday the 30th June. Councillor Ormandy confirmed that there will be no proxy voting. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should email Councillor Warneken to arrange for a police visit to discuss the existing vandalism. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should register for the Safer Neighbourhoods Scheme.

58.2 An update was received from Councillor Mistry on the GHRC S106 working group confirming that ideas for using the funding will be collected and put into a survey. Councillor Warneken requested that consideration be given to an air-to-air heat pump. All suggestions should be sent to trustee2@ghrc.co.uk. Councillor Mistry has agreed to carry out the independent examination of the GHRC accounts this year.

2026/59 Plinth & Phone box

An update was received from Councillor Melnyk. It was **AGREED** to approve the quotes for Northern Powerpoint and M E Electrical. Councillor Melnyk will create a contract with M E Electrical. It was **AGREED** that we should consider the status of contractors on a project-by-project basis but that M E Electrical was approved for this project as a domestic installer. Councillor Melnyk proposed some modifications for a more tamper proof unit and they were **APPROVED**.

2026/60 Grass cutting

An update was received from the grass cutting working group. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should contact Highways to confirm ownership of the old entrance/road to Green Hammerton that was removed when Ambretone created the development. If it is NYC land then the Clerk **AGREED** to determine whether it would be possible to plant trees and hedges on it. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should ask the Woodland Trust for donations of trees and hedges. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Warneken would discover ownership of the land next to the broken notice board and the Clerk should inform the residents concerned of action taken. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would check what activity is permitted on verges with Commuted Sums.

Commented [am1]: I think it was agreed the Clerk would confirm ownership of this land at the same time when asking about the old entrance section above.

Commented [JM2R1]: Arnold asked me to email him to check

2026/61 Requests from residents

The 2 requests submitted to the Annual Parish Assembly were considered and it was **AGREED** to inform the first resident that the weeds are the responsibility of NYC; GHPC will continue to pressure NYC but noted that the weeds had been sprayed recently. The response to the second resident was approved by a majority of 6 to 1.

2026/62 Vexatious policy

A draft vexatious policy was received and **APPROVED** unanimously.

2026/63 Grant applications

No grant applications were received.

2026/64 Councillor training

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

2026/65 Litter picking

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

2025/66 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as the 29th July 2026.

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