

CLAPHAM CUM NEWBY PARISH COUNCIL

Wednesday 19th February 2025

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Colin Price (Chairman), John Dawson, Ann Sheridan, Maria Farrer & Diane Elphinstone

In Attendance: Steven Culver (Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer) Cllr David Ireton, Sustainability Group representative & 3 members of the public

Parishioner Matters raised

i) Coping Stones on the A65 underpass. The issue was raised and the Clerk advised that the issue had been raised with Area5 with a response that the matter would be dealt with should funding allow. Given the deteriorating state of the wall, it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would raise the matter again with Area5

1. To receive apologies None received

2. Code of Conduct and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

2.1 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's code of Conduct or a member's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests **None**

2.2 To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation **None**

3. To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 15^h January 2025 as a true and fair record The Parish Council **RESOLVED** that the minutes should be approved and signed by Cllr Price as a true and accurate record.

4. To receive updates on actions from previous meetings not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

Meeting 11-12-2024

i) Cllr Price to forward registration details of pickup on B6480 for Clerk to then forward to Area 5
COMPLETE

vii) Cllr Dawson to review Clapham Station Notice Board to raise height to improve access. **COMPLETE**

Meeting 15-01-2025

ii) The Clerk to Contact Area 5 complaining of the lack of snow clearance at Keasden **COMPLETE**

iii) Cllr Elphinstone to pass pictures and w3w location of Old Road Pothole to the Clerk for logging on the Area 5 Portal. **COMPLETE**

5. To receive the Police Report

13 Incidents noted between 14th January & 17th February (incl. Safeguarding, Abandon call & Sudden deaths)

2x Joint Working with other forces re harassment	Firearm licence check
Sheep on A65 at the Goat Gap	Concern for walker welfare – In Order
Road Related offence – manner of driving A65	

6. Highways, Streetlight, Road Signage and Boundary Markers

6.1 To receive requests and decide further action on:

i) Newby Streetlight expenditure. The Clerk **ADVISED** Harrison & Cross had advised that all lights were already low wattage. Following further correspondence with nPower the matter was now advised to rest with Electricity North West who had asked for a confirmation of the inventory held. The Clerk advised that the 2nd light on Newby Green had not been working for 2 weeks and that no villager had reported an issue with it as such it was **RESOLVED** to remove this light from the current inventory until such a point that it is reinstated.

ii) It was advised that there was a sharp edge to the tarmac and a broken street sign stump at the end of eggshell lane. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would log these on the portal

iii) Potholes on the "Old Road" and Keasden Crossroads. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk who would log these on the Portal.

iv) The Give way sign outside the Millenium Trust building in Clapham is in a poor state of repair. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk who would log these on the Portal.

7. Byways Open to All Traffic Update

No update

8. To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary:

8.1 Parish Maintenance Matters

- i) Keasden Crossroads Signpost. Cllr Price **ADVISED** that the matter had been raised with David Clements and he was still awaiting a response.
- ii) Clapham Station Notice Board subsidence . Cllr Dawson **ADVISED** that he had raised the board..

8.2 The community emergency plan, community defibrillator training and other topics related to the emergency services

Cllr Elphinstone **ADVISED** that the Plan has been updated and is with Lee Brayford to add some additional information.

8.3 Neighbourhood Planning – North Yorkshire Council will review on Wednesday 26th and assuming no issues are raised it will then move forward to a referendum. Cllr Ireton **ADVISED** that following the latest government targets NYC no longer had a 5 year supply of housing identified and that any new planning applications are very likely to be passed.

8.4 Climate Emergency

The sustainability Group representative **ADVISED** that the Cry of the Curlew exhibition was now on display at the Folly in Settle where it will be until 28th June. The Give and Take event will now not be held until 18th October, but “King Sharp” will be in situ on the riverside on 9th April 10:00-12:00. A statement has been sent to Julian Smith regarding the non-functioning of Smart meters due to poor radio signal. All residents will be receiving an additional recycling bin to now separate glass and metal from paper and cardboard.

9. To consider and decide upon the following planning applications

ZA24/26579/LBC, Listed building consent for installation of replacement front door and Fanlight, **4 Farrer Lodge, Clapham, Lancaster, LA2 8ES**

The Council **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should send a letter in support of the application stating that the issues raised by the heritage officer are due to there being no photo available of the proposed door from Aire Valley Glass. The door will look identical to that currently in situ.

10. To receive the following planning decisions / information

- i) **ZA24/26561/HH** Replace existing rear window with patio French doors and replace polycarbonate rear conservatory roof with tiled solid roof, *Limefold House, Cross Haw Lane* **Approved**
- ii) **Townhead Barn Newby** The diseased beech tree by the barn will need to be felled in due course.

11. Employment Matters.

None

12. Financial Matters

12.1 The Council **NOTED** the following automated payments made since last meeting;

- i) Bank Charges January - £8.00

12.2 The Council **RECEIVED** the detailed bank statements and reconciliations as at 31st January 2025 of;

HSBC1 £5,618.67

HSBC2 £13,155.82

12.4 The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments

- i) Clapham Village Hall February Meeting - £18.00
- ii) Clerks January Salary - £330.20
- iii) HMRC - Clerks PAYE January - £2.40

12.5 The Council **RECEIVED** the YTD January financial position showing a favourable variance to budget of £2,005. The principal variances being increased VAT rebate (£658), reduced insurance premiums (£205), Unrequested donations (£400), Maintenance and signage costs (£483), Public works (£416).

12.6 The council was **ADVISED** that the 2025 HSBC safeguarding review had been completed by the Clerk.

13. Matters for Consideration

13.1 To receive and respond to items of correspondence received prior to this meeting

- i) **VE Day and VJ Day 80th Anniversary Commemorations.** The Clerk **ADVISED** that he would approach CRO re transportation of beacons and providing 1st Aid cover, also the insurers for any potential insurance costs for

having a beacon on Bowland Knotts. It was suggested that Gerald Kay be approached to light the beacon in recognition of his service to the village.

- ii) **NYC Consultation on Traveller Sites.** It was **RESOLVED** that all councillors would review the survey in advance of the next meeting
- iii) **Lithium Ion Batteries** It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would send notification of the Council's support to the campaign
- iv) **YDNP Management Plan** It was **RESOLVED** that all councillors would review the survey in advance of the next meeting
- v) **Risk Management for Local Councils Webinar 26th February** No councillors wished to undertake the course.
- vi) **Great British Spring Clean 21st March – 6th April** It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Farrer will be organising a litter pick for the village although this may not align with the dates noted.
- vii) **Forest of Bowland Landmark Tree** The Clerk **ADVISED** that Henbusk Lane was not an appropriate site and that St Matthew's Eastern Churchyard Electricity cables meant that a Field Maple was deemed an inappropriate tree for the site. St Matthew's PCC then requested that the site be withdrawn.
- viii) **Alternative / Emergency Power Source** The Council **RESOLVED** to consider the matter at a future point in time.

13.2 To receive and respond to items of correspondence received too late for inclusion on this agenda

- i) The Council was **ADVISED** that **Town Head Barn's planning application** requires a s73 amendment, but with no change to design
- ii) **NYC School Transport** It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would send the proposed letter to all councillors of NYC stressing the issues for Settle College and Austwick Primary Schools
- iii) **Planning Application C/18/626B & 626C/LB Crook Barn Newby Cote** The council **RESOLVED** it had no comments to make on the revised internal layouts
- iv) **YDNP Planning Webinar 2nd April** It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Farrer would attend.
- v) **YDNP Spring Parish Forum** It was **RESOLVED** that attendance would be decided once location was advised.

14. To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting Tree Felling in Clapham Village

15. Parishioner Matters Arising – Items not raised at start of the meeting but now relevant because of previous discussions. - **None**

16. The Council **CONFIRMED** the date for the next meeting as Wednesday 19th March which will also include the Annual Parish Meeting at 7:00.