

CLAPHAM CUM NEWBY PARISH COUNCIL
Wednesday 21st January 2026
MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Colin Price, John Dawson, Diane Elphinstone, Maria Farrer

In Attendance: Steven Culver (Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer), Sustainability group representative, 2 PCSOs & 6 members of the public.

Parishioners Participation

The Council was advised that the board detailing the types of trees within the Platinum Toll Bar Wood has come off the plinth. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk visit to see what can be done.

The Council was also advised that the lights in the Car Park of the New Inn were causing some disturbance to residence of Dalesview Close. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would write a letter to the owners of the Inn through the landlord suggesting that the lights be replaced by downlighters.

1. To receive apologies Cllr Ann Sheridan

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 11th December 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 19-03-2025

vi) *The Clerk to contact YDNPA regarding their view on FM Antennas for SMART meters. Contact now made with YDNPA Planning, no response to date. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk contact the Chief Executive once again. **ONGOING***

Meeting 16-04-2025

iv) Cllr Sheridan to obtain a quote for ditching work on Keasden Road. – Superseded by action raised in Parishioner Participation – *Quote received for £700 +VAT; The Clerk to contact Forest of Bowland to see if any funding is available to undertake. No funding available, however it was RESOLVED that further quotes should be obtained. **ONGOING***

Meeting 18-06-25

viii) The Clerk to see if the CRO would consider removing the Piri-piri burr on Church Bridge as part of a training exercise. *Review undertaken 10th Jan, awaiting feedback. **ONGOING***

Meeting 11-12-25

iii) The Clerk to contact Austwick PC to express our thanks for the work on the Thwaite Lane enquiry especially that undertaken by Peter Goold. **COMPLETE**

iv) The clerk to respond to Area 5 stating that it would be beneficial to have all 4 proposed teams at any workshops held. **COMPLETE**

v) The Clerk ask Matthew Holroyd to see if he can do anything to remove the self seeded tree on the northern side of the A65 underpass when he undertakes the repairs to the wall. **COMPLETE**

vi) The Clerk to send a letter of condolence to Brenda Pearce on behalf of the Parish Council. **COMPLETE**

vii) The Clerk to log the fly tipping by the A65 to NYC. **COMPLETE** It was however noted that there was an additional issue in the brambles near the Clapham end of the short cycle path along the A65. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would log this on the NYC site.

5. To receive the Police Report

PCSO Jayne Grace reported 16 Incidents logged between 6/12/25 & 19/1/26. Reports include – Firearms admin, Abandon Call, Suspect package – Keasden Road, Road Related offence – manner of driving, Highways – Black Ice – A65, Concern for safety/welfare – potholes – Cave rescue/police & Concern for safety – Male walking on A65, Theft of sheep between August & October - Clapham Common, Theft of DPS from Vehicle – Clapham train Station area, Suspect Hunt – Clapham – area searched no gain, Suspect circumstances – Abandon Gator & motor cross Bike A65 – area searched no gain, Attempt Burglary – Clapham Train Station area

6. Highways, Streetlight, Road Signage and Boundary Markers

6.1 To receive requests and decide further action on:

- i) Newby Street light Consultation

The Clerk fed back the results of the consultation, 47% response rate and 68% of respondents requested the lights be repaired. Representation was made from a couple of Newby residents who were opposed to the lights. The Council **RESOLVED** to let the situation remain as is for a couple of months to see if any more representations are made before deciding upon the next steps.

- ii) *The undermining of Reeby's lane and also the issue around Cowson Gill bridge. Response had been received from Karl Battersby of North Yorkshire Council and the Council RECEIVED notice that Reeby's Lane had been reviewed and there were no plans to undertake any remedial work, Cowson Gill Bridge is in the workstack for financial year 2026/27.*

7. Byways Open to All Traffic Update

There was no update and it was **RESOLVED** that this be removed from the agenda as a standing item and be added as appropriate

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

8.1 Parish Maintenance Matters

- i) Urban Highway Grass Cutting. The Council had received notification from NYC that a payment of £58.69 would be available should it wish to take over responsibility for cutting the numerous verges around Clapham. The Council **RESOLVED** that responsibility should remain with NYC.
- ii) Keasden Road edges. Following the work previously undertaken to reduce the significant drop off at the edge of the newly resurfaced carriageway, concern was expressed that this was not enough nor in the right places. It was **RESOLVED** the Clerk would write to NYC Highways requesting further remedial work be undertaken.

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

Cllr Elphinstone advised that the pads for the Station defibrillator were due to be replaced in February and the Council APPROVED the purchase of the pads.

8.3 Climate Emergency

The sustainability Group representative advised the Council of the following;

- Following notification of potential funding from Dry Rigg Quarry Natural Environment fund an approach had been made to confirm that funding would be available for potential wildlife corridors. This was confirmed and the matter will now be discussed at the next meeting.
- Curlew Cluster – The seasonal worker has been appointed for the coming season.

8.4 Neighbourhood Plan

The formal closure of the project and the disbanding of the Steering Group was advised to the Council. A debate was held as to whether any further paper copies needed to be produced. The Council RESOLVED that it would remain with the one copy that is currently held by the Clerk and available upon request as the document is easily accessible from the Clapham website

<https://claphamyorkshire.co.uk/2023/11/03/clapham-neighbourhood-plan/> and that this should be noted on the bottom of all Newsletter articles.

9. To consider and decide upon the following planning applications

- i) **ZA25/27552/VAR** Section 73 application to vary condition no 2 (Approved Plans) of planning approval referenced 2019/20915/HH for installation of windows and rooflights. *Rantree Farm, Keasden Road. No comments to make*

- ii) **C/18/109P** Appeal under Section 78 (non determination of application) Full planning permission for change of use of Ingleborough Hall from Class C2 (Residential Institutions) to Class C3 (Dwellinghouse). *Ingleborough Hall, Church Avenue, Clapham, LA2 8EF. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk strengthen the support previously made to the application.*

10. To receive the following planning decisions / information

- i) **ZA25/27485/HH** Householder permission for a single-storey extension *Lodge Bank Farm, Clapham Road, Clapham* **GRANTED**

11. Financial Matters

11.1 The Council **RECEIVED** detailed bank statements as at 31st December 2025 of;

HSBC1 £ 6,003.10

HSBC2 £13,373.31

11.2 The Council **RECEIVED** the Bank reconciliations as at 31st December 2025

11.3 The Council **APPROVED** the following payments

- i) Clerk's HJanuary Salary - £341.80
- ii) Village Hall January Meeting - £18.00

11.4 The Council **RECEIVED** actual vs budget expenditure for the 9 months to 31st December. This is a favourable variance to budget of £1,527 being driven by £300 grant receipt for work yet to be undertaken, £199 insurance premium lower than budgeted, £727 saving on Street lighting, £600 reduced maintenance costs, £200 reduced grass mowing costs offset by "37 for unbudgeted defibrillator batter and £409 for a new Laptop.

12. Matters for Consideration.

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

- i) Incineration of rubbish in Clapham A resident of Dalesview Close had raised the issue of items being incinerated by Mark James Kitchens leading to acrid smoke around the area. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would write to Messrs mark James asking them to confirm that only appropriate material was indeed being burned.
- ii) NYC Civic Service and Networking Event, Sunday the 22nd February. Given that this is to be held in Helmsley the Council **RESOLVED** not to send any attendees.
- iii) North Yorkshire Boundary Review Recommendations The Council received notification that the Parish would remain in the Ingleton and Bentham division and not move to Settle as was the original proposal.

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

- i) Village Hall request for photos of regular activities. The Village Hall is looking to produce a phot montage of all regular activities in the meeting to mark the Centenary of the Hall. The Council **RESOLVED** that it would look to take a picture of the Parish Meeting in March.

14. To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

Lodges at Clapham Station

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

16. To confirm the dates of the next meeting as Wednesday February 18th 202

6 at 19:30