

**STILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN STILLINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

**ON WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2024 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Tim Drew (Chairman), Tracy Sinclair (Vice-Chairman), Christine Cookman, Graham Taylor, Robert Churton, Richard Smyth, Tim Milburn

**ALSO PRESENT:** 5 members of the public

**24/133 APOLOGIES**

There were apologies from North Yorkshire Councillor Taylor. There were no declarations of interests.

**24/134 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 NOVEMBER 2024**

Minutes previously circulated and these were signed as a correct record.

**24/135 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM**

Items discussed were South Back Lane rat infestation, public CCTV, wildflower policy and the drain on Carr Lane.

**24/136 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Cllr Taylor was not present.

**24/137 CLERK'S REPORT**

- a. The planning application for the work to the trees regarding the pond maintenance had not been determined. The Clerk would contact the arborist for an update.
- b. The glass in the bus shelter had been replaced and the silicon sealant would be applied tomorrow. The Police had recovered the cost of the glass from the perpetrators.
- c. The wording for the old bus shelter memorial plaque was agreed and the clerk would order a non-metallic plaque about the size of a house brick.
- d. North Yorkshire Council had replied that there is a moratorium on new dog bins so the requested one for Mill Lane would not be pursued at this time. The Clerk would obtain a price for a floor standing bin for the end of Skeugh Lane.
- e. North Yorkshire Council were dealing with the two reported damaged fingerpost signs.
- f. North Yorkshire Council would be repairing a small section of South Back Lane.

**24/138 GRASS CUTTING**

- a. The proposal to increase the grass cutting spend for 2025/26 to £6,000 was agreed.
- b. The wildflower policy working group would be meeting soon.

**24/139 NEWSLETTER**

It was agreed to donate £200 to the village newsletter.

Approved ..... Chairman

- 24/140**    **EMERGENCY PLANNING**  
An emergency plan group had been formed by the Chairman and funding would be considered at the next meeting.
- 24/141**    **VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS**  
Volunteers would be sought to move the VAS signs around on a regular basis.
- 24/142**    **STILLINGTON CHARITY**  
It was agreed to reappoint Pat Conway as the Council's representative on the Charity.
- 24/143**    **MEETINGS**  
It was agreed to hold the next meeting in February to test whether less frequent meetings would allow Council business to be covered.
- 24/144**    **VILLAGE, CHURCHYARD & HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE**  
None.
- 24/145**    **PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED**  
The planning applications considered are attached.
- 24/146**    **PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS**  
The planning decisions received are attached.
- 24/147**    **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
- a. The receipts and payment, bank reconciliation, actuals vs. budget and bank balances were noted.
  - b. The attached payments were agreed.
  - c. The budget for 2025/26 was agreed.
  - d. The precept for 2025/26 was set at £14,175.
- 24/148**    **CORRESPONDENCE**  
There was no additional correspondence.
- 24/149**    **MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA**  
Wildflower policy working group.  
Bird mouth fencing.
- 24/150**    **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  
The next full council meeting will be held on Wednesday 5 February 2025 at 7.00pm
- The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

## Payments

Northallerton Glass	Bus stop glass	£316.50
Nigel Knapton	Salary & Expenses	£192.10
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	£162.50

Approved ..... Chairman

**Applications Received**

<b>Reference</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
ZB24/02215/CAT	21/11/2024	Application for works to a tree in a Conservation Area	Hallam House, North Back Lane	Mr James Cooper	No objections
ZB24/02143/CAMP	08/11/2024	Creation of a certified caravan/camp site	Folly Garth Lane, Blackwoods	Matthew Kerry	No objections
ZB24/02109/FUL	14/11/2024	Demolition of existing rear conservatory to be replaced	41 Parkfield	Mrs Sarah Furlong	No objections

**Planning Decisions Received  
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ZB24/01850/SPD	04/11/2024	Application to determine if prior approval is required	Lamorna, York Road	Mr David Thompson	Not required
ZB24/01913/CAT	19/11/2024	Works to trees in a Conservastion Area	The Folly, High Street	Mr G Fulford	Granted