

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RUDBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD 10th FEBRUARY 2025 AT 7.30PM IN THE HUB, METHODIST CHURCH, HUTTON RUDBY.

Present: Councillor Mortimer (Chairman), Councillors Bragg, Jopling, Simpson, Tate and Webster. North Yorkshire Councillor David Hugill. Councillor Bury arrived 7.37pm.

1. To approve apologies for absence.

Councillors Barker, Puttick, Saxton and Voke. RESOLVED to accept.

2. Declarations of interest.

Councillors Webster and Bragg 8.g.ii and 15. Councillor Jopling 8.g.iv. Item 9. Eastview, applicant known to all Councillors. RESOLVED to accept.

3. Confirm the minutes of the meeting held 13th January 2024 as a true and correct record.

RESOLVED to accept.

4. Confirm the minutes of the co-option meeting held 3rd February 2025 as a true and correct record.

RESOLVED to accept.

5. Meeting open to the public.

None present.

6. Police Report.

Report contained 1 anti-social behaviour, 1 criminal damage, 2 theft (including from shops), 1 violence against the person and 1 other crime. NOTED.

7. Report from North Yorkshire Councillor.

Councillor Hugill emailed his report to RPC just prior to the meeting. During the meeting he highlighted the financial situation of NYC.

Questions were asked to Councillor Hugill about the new recycling bin proposals and whether the costs involved could be justified bearing in mind the budget challenges faced by NYC. Councillor Hugill said that the budget, which included the revised bins proposal, was being voted on next week. It was therefore RESOLVED that engaging in further consultations with NYC would be futile at this stage.

Councillor Mortimer asked if there were any indications yet of the timescales for consultations on the Local Plan. Councillor Hugill offered to send the presentation to RPC.

8. Matters arising.

a. Finance

- i. Employers Summary NOTED
- ii. Q3 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring. Circulated to Councillors. RESOLVED to accept.
Councillor Bragg proposed that a year-end forecast be completed at the same time as each quarter accounts to ensure spending is on track. RESOLVED to trial this method.

b. Parish Neighbourhood Plan/ NYC Local Plan/EV Charging

- i. NYC Planning and Policy Place Team (Site submissions)

A screening review has been conducted by NYC planning policy team to identify areas of the draft NP likely to need updating. The major piece of work is the Housing Needs Assessment which is in preparation. Katie from KVA is expected to complete a similar review by the end of March. The key action to move forward is the Housing

Survey template provided by Katie. It will have a spare page (8-page document) which could be utilised for questions relating to the EV Charging project.

RESOLVED that a few questions would be drafted and added to the template to include EV charging.

A new steering group needs to be formed. Proposed to establish a new group consisting initially of Councillors Mortimer, Saxton and Simpson, plus four members of the previous steering group who are willing to continue with the project (Alan Bates, Adrian Davey, Niall Innes and Stuart McArthur). It is anticipated that additional appointments will be made shortly. RESOLVED to approve.

Site submissions for the Local Plan have been published by NYC. The process for assessing and consulting will happen sometime in the future. Once the presentation is received from Councillor Hugill and the Housing Survey is completed RPC will have a better understanding on timing and of parish needs.

c. Paddocks End and Hutton Fields developments.

Broadacres have been informed of damage to the boarding around the site in the recent storm. They have acknowledged and will repair. NOTED.

d. Footpaths.

A report of an overgrown hedge making a footpath at Middleton impassible was received. The footpath is already with NYC enforcement. RESOLVED to write to resident and advise.

A report of damage to the footbridge at the Burial Ground was received. RESOLVED to inspect.

e. Doctors Lane - Dog Dirt

Dog mess around the Village is an issue, particularly on Doctors Lane. School children are walking the excrement into school which is a real problem. It was suggested to engage with the school children and ask them to design posters asking people to pick up after their dogs. RESOLVED that Councillor Tate would approach Hutton Rudby Primary School with the proposal and RPC would fund the equipment and prizes.

f. Sports Areas

i. Station Lane. It was reported that the car park surface was in poor condition. RESOLVED to obtain quotations to resurface the area.

ii. Middleton on Leven. NY Highways has been approached several times regarding Playground warning signs on the approach roads. RESOLVED that the Clerk would write and specifically request signage be erected on the approach to Middleton Playground with NYC Highways Area2.

Inside Outside Services has declined to carry out inspections at the play areas. RESOLVED that the Clerk would carry out monthly inspections until a permanent arrangement can be made.

g. Village Green.

i. 15 East Side. Councillor Tate spoke with residents, without a clear resolution. RESOLVED that the Clerk would write to residents to request that the bushes and gravel be removed immediately and advising that RPC will continue to maintain all of the Village Green in line with their current policy, as the need arises.

ii. 37 South Side – Correspondence with residents is ongoing.

iii. Tree Inspections – Booked for 9th June 2025, with additional request for checks on proximity of trees to adjacent buildings.

iv. Linen Mill Fencing. Damaged in the recent storm. 2 Quotes have been obtained. RESOLVED to accept the lowest quote (Calvert's Fencing) quotation and request the work be carried out ASAP.

h. Speed limits signs.

Nothing to report.

i. Village Event

Meeting held in the Hub on 3rd February. There were interesting suggestions which are being followed up by the Clerk and Councillor Bury. Notes of the meeting have been circulated amongst Councillors and volunteers. Next Meeting to be held in The Hub on Thursday 20th March at 7pm. NOTED

j. Annual Meeting date

RESOLVED to hold The Annual Assemblies meeting on 14th April 2025 and The Annual Meeting on 12th May 2025.

9. Planning applications.

The following applications have been received by the Council. Full details of any responses are available on <https://planning.hambleton.gov.uk/online-applications>

ZB24/02363/FUL Eastview, 34 North End, Hutton Rudby. Application for single storey rear extension, loft conversion and demolition of outbuildings. Revised EOT received. RESOLVED to recommend approval.

ZB24/02337/FUL Mill House, Middleton on Leven. Application for construction of an agricultural building for egg production with associated feed bins and hardstanding areas. RESOLVED to recommend approval.

ZB24/02442/FUL 11 Hundale Road, Hutton Rudby. Application for ground and first floor extensions to the rear. RESOLVED to recommend approval.

ZB24/02455/HYB East Rounton Battery Energy Storage Facility. Hybrid planning application consisting of: Full planning application for the erection and operation of an energy storage system including associated infrastructure, engineering works, landscaping and formation of vehicular access from highway; and Outline planning application (with all matters reserved) for the erection and operation of a transmission substation with associated infrastructure | Land North of Haggitt Hill Lane, East Rounton, Northallerton, North Yorkshire DL6 2LX

Although just outside the Parish, due to the scale and nature of the development there are potential impacts on our Parish which include concerns of safety should there be a major incident, it was RESOLVED that RPC would make a short submission to NYC Planning.

10. Decisions of North Yorkshire Planning

ZB24/02284/CAT Poppy Cottage, 15 South Side, Hutton Rudby. Works to Trees in a conservation area. GRANTED.

Public Footpath Diversion order, Glebe House, DL6 3JX. Sealed by NYC.

Public Footpath Diversion order, Whitehouse Farm, DL6 3LQ. Sealed by NYC

ZB24/02343/FUL Four Gables, Stokesley Road, Hutton Rudby. GRANTED

11. Hutton Bank.

SDH Engineering have been instructed to carry out repairs to the railings which should be complete by the end of February 2025. Stephen Johnson will replace the dead beech hedging before the end of March. RESOLVED the Clerk will update Stephen Johnson with timescales.

12. Steps across the village green to Church House

Awaiting quotations for revised renovation specifications.

13. IT/Website

Following tender submissions for a new website provider, Councillor Mortimer made a short analysis of each. RESOLVED to follow up with Catch, Outrank and Vision ICT.

14. Staffing Committee

Training. Clerk has completed and passed the ILCA exam (Introduction to Local Council Administration) and would now like to complete the FILCA exam (Financial Introduction to Local Administration) at a cost of £120 plus VAT. RESOLVED to accept.

Noted that a revised Clerk Job Description for the Clerk including the role of RFO is being drafted.

15. Village Hall/Tennis Club Lease

Clerk has written to Jacksons Law expressing RPC's frustrations at the slow progress of this matter, noting that it commenced in 2021 and to date we have had 3 different Solicitors acting for us, each reviewing the requirements every time. A conclusion has still not been reached for either the Village Hall and Surrounding Land first registration or the Tennis Club Lease. A further Interim Invoice has been received. RESOLVED that RPC decline to settle any invoices until matters have been concluded. Further RESOLVED to review and respond to the latest email received today.

16. 80th VE Celebrations

VE Day 80th Anniversary is 8th May 2025. RESOLVED to light a beacon and other commemorations. Clerk will re-circulate email received from YLCA in November 2024 with suggestions.

17. Accounts

Staff salary January 2025, paid in accordance with contract.

Staff Pension contribution paid in accordance with contract

HP Ink	£	11.99
Lebara Mobile Phone	£	5.00
TP Jones Payroll Services	£	64.40
SLCC ILCA Training	£	144.00
Jacksons Law	£	273.60
CPC Batteries	£	31.26
Inside Outside Services	£	44.00
Allotment 24 overpayment refund	£	100.00

Money received.

Allotment Plot No.9	£	22.50
Allotment Plot No.5	£	33.75
Allotment Plot No.11	£	22.50
Allotment Plot No. 22	£	45.00
Allotment Plot No.1	£	22.50
Allotment Plot No.2	£	22.50
Northern Powergrid Wayleave rent	£	11.50
Allotment 24	£	31.25
Ashes Burial Candlin	£	870.00
Ashes Plot reservation Cross	£	135.00

18. Correspondence for decision.

15 January 2025 Email Deal Town Council (Pesticide Leaflet) RESOLVED to authorise use of RPC' Pesticide Flyer.

15 January 2025 Email Opinion Research Services/NYC Traveller Sites – RESOLVED that Councillor Tate would review the document.

31 January 2025 Email Resident Linen Mill Fence & Parking. RESOLVED to reply to the resident that the Fencing repair is authorised and that RPC are unable to assist with parking issues or obstructions on a Public Highway.

19. Correspondence for noting.

13 January 2025	Email	Liaison for Average and Fixed Speed Cameras for North Yorkshire
14 January 2025	Email	As above
17 January 2025	Email	Resident regarding Footpath alongside Mustard Garth
20 January 2025	Email	Parish Liaison – NYC Local Plan for North Yorkshire
23 January 2025	Email	North Yorkshire PFCC (speed enforcement)
29 January 2025	Email	Parliament UK – Lithium Battery Safety
2 February 2025	Email	Resident enquiry regarding Bathurst Educational Trust

Meeting Closed 9.38pm.

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