

BRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

ON 1ST MAY 2025

Cr. V Griffiths	Cr. L Johnston
Cr. I Chilvers	Cr. J Chilvers
Cr. M Bontoft	Cr. T Hilton
Cr. B Cook	Cr. D Backhouse
Cr. S Milnes	County Councillor Mark Crane
Mrs J Knowles – Clerk	

160.25 ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND REPRESENTATIVES

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, Members voted to fill the positions of Chair and Vice Chair. A vote for Chair was firstly taken - Cr. L Johnson proposed Cr. V Griffiths and all were in agreement with this proposal. Then a vote for Vice Chair was taken – Cr. S Milnes proposed Cr. L Johnston and all were in agreement with this proposal. All Members signed new copies of the Declaration of Acceptance Forms.

An email had been received from Mrs Caroline Dawson, which was read out to the meeting:

I wish to inform the committee of my decision to vacate my position on the Parish Council. My deteriorating hearing means that I cannot participate effectively in Council Meetings. This was brought home forcibly during David Spofford's recent PC visit. I was unable to respond to his comments as I simply could not hear him. I have always had the opinion that being a councillor is a privilege and rather than continue at what would be less than maximum input, for my own selfish reasons I prefer to step down and leave it to others who are more physically and mentally able. I have enjoyed my time on the Council enormously and wish the parishioners of Brayton well for the future'. All Members voiced their thanks to Caroline Dawson and all she had done on the Council, the Clerk will pass on these wishes. The Clerk will also update North Yorkshire Council on the vacancy following Cr. Dawson's resignation.

The Representatives on Committees were then agreed. After Caroline Dawson's resignation, and the fact that Cr. M Bontoft no longer wished to remain on the Burial Authority, three representatives were required – a vote was taken and the vote went as follows: Darren Backhouse (8) Judith Chilvers (3) Liz Johnston (5) and Ian Chilvers (9). The Clerk will contact the Burial Clerk and inform her of the three new representatives.

No Members attending wished to take the position of Community Centre Representative at this time – this will be agreed at a future Meeting. It was agreed that Cr. L Johnston remain as our attendee on the Selby & District Ainsty Committee.

161.25 APOLOGIES

Cr. J Wells had sent his apologies as he was away on holiday. These were accepted.

162.25 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

To receive and disclose interest in matters to be considered at the meeting – in accordance with the National Code of Local Government Conduct. The Register of Members Interests was available throughout the meeting – in accordance with the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

163.25 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd April 2025 were agreed and signed as a true record.

164.25 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the minutes of last month's meeting.

165.25 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cr. Crane discussed the continuing problems with parking at schools, the Butchers and the Post Office – the area should be recruiting a new Traffic Warden very soon, Cr. Crane believes that the only way to improve parking is to give out fines.

There has been a positive review of North Yorkshire Council's Childrens Services – with a finding as 'excellent'. The home to school transport is now costing £51 million per year, and no regular funding is received from Central Government. Cr. Crane also reported that 32 towns in North Yorkshire will be receiving funding for improvements and Selby is amongst them. There will be plans drawn up for how Selby can be helped with a full Public Consultation. Selby Train Station improvements should be going ahead soon.

Members discussed Public Rights of Way – as the pathway on Baffam Lane has now been closed. The owners (Church of England) have put forward this land as a possible planning area for building work.

166.25 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that a Play Area Consultation will take place on 20th May, it will be a joint event between Brayton Parish Council, Community Centre and the new 'Padel' initiative to gather Public opinion on potential plans.

167.25 COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk repeated the date for the Consultation Event on 20th May from 6 – 7pm at Brayton Community Centre.

168.25 BURIAL BOARD

Cr. L Johnston reported that the Burial Committee will meet again in two weeks, she also questioned that a recent invoice received for authorisation was addressed to Cr. J & I Chilvers – the Burial Clerk will be requested to have this changed as soon as possible.

169.25 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) St Wilfrids Church Notice of Spring Fair on 10th May, 2pm – 4pm. Posters have been displayed in both Parish Noticeboards.
- b) Allotment Enquiry Email from a resident asking to be placed on the Allotment waiting list. The details of the Selby & Osgodby Allotment Group will be passed on to him immediately.
- c) Speeding Email voicing concerns with the speed on Mill Lane. This information was passed to Cr. Mark Crane for his assistance.
- d) Dog Show Request to use the Parish Council playing field for a dog show in 2026. Members were agreed that the field could not be hired out for this event, as it is advertised as a 'no dogs' area.

170.25 PLANNINGApplications Received

- a) Reserved matters including appearance, layout, landscaping and scale for erection of 95 dwellings. The outline application was not EIA development. Land adjacent to St Wilfrids Drive, Barff Lane. No objections.
- b) Demolition of existing single storey garage and proposed single storey self contained annex. At 24 Barff Lane. No objections.
- c) First floor extension to side and rear over existing garage and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory at 23 Mayfield Drive. No objections.

Application Granted

Erection of single storey rear extension to replace single garage / store and boundary wall. At Holmefield cottage, Brayton Lane.

Permitted Development Enquiry

Pave grass area on front garden to provide parking for one vehicle, dropped herb next to existing drive to give access for parking and a new porch at front of dwelling next to existing front door and knock through to existing lobby at 25 Evergreen Way. There is no application needed for the dropped kerb, but permission will be required for the erection of the Porch.

171.25 FINANCE

YLCA subscription	1001.00
HAGS - Sports wall repairs	147.69
HMRC - Tax & NI contributions	472.48
J Knowles – Wage	1681.31
Postage and paper	53.38
Village Orderly - litter picking April	324.00
Defibrillators and cases	2898.00
Wix Website hosting	129.60
Clear Insurance Ltd	2162.02
Brayton Guide Group	300.00
St Marys School	300.00
Brayton Scout Group	300.00
Busy Bees Playgroup	300.00
Brayton Primary School	300.00
Longmans Hill School	300.00
Marmax – Bench	452.40
D3 – ink	116.86
Brayton Burial Authority	3449.93

These payments of expenditure to be agreed and signed.

The Clerk reported the Internal Audit had taken place with no concerns, and all documents have now been sent to PKF Littlejohn for the External Audit to be completed.

172.25 INFORMATION SENT VIA EMAIL

None.

173.25 MINOR ISSUES AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Members voiced some concerns with the grass cutting in Brayton. The Clerk will contact Meticulous Gardens immediately for their assistance.

Cr. M Bontoft reported that the Mack and Lawler owned land on Foxhill Lane is overgrown – the Clerk will contact them and ask for it to be cleared.

174.25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 5TH JUNE 2025 AT 7.00PM.

175.25 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 7:45pm