

Minutes of the Meeting of Bramham cum Oglethorpe Parish Council held on 8 January 2025 at the Bramham Parish Centre

Councillors Present Cllrs M Corrigan, M Tozer, A Pumfrey, P Corrigan, H Buck, K Huggins and J Ingham,

Also present 1 resident, Ward Cllr Harrington, Ward Cllr Lamb, and the Clerk

Public Session

- The owner of a plot on Alms House Hill outlined issues they are having regarding planning permission for the site. LCC have advised that the planning permission has lapsed but the owner contends that work commenced on the site before the 3 year period expired. Ward Cllr Lamb agreed to meet the owner at the site to discuss the issues and liaise with LCC Planning.
- Cllr Lamb advised that the owners of Bramham House have provided LCC with their revised plans as part of the Pre-Application process. Permission has not been given to share these plans with the Parish Council.
- Cllr Lamb has arranged a meeting with residents who are concerned about the Planning Application to install a battery storage unit on Warren Lane.
- Cllr Harrington provided an update from the January PACT meeting. There were no issues of concern for Bramham. Cllr Lamb noted that the relationship between the neighbourhood policing team and Parish Councils is as good as it has been for many years.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr L Richards. It was **resolved** to approve the reasons for her absence. Apologies were received from Cllr T Prest. It was **resolved** to approve the reasons for her absence.

2. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interests or other Interests**

None

3. **Minutes of the Parish Council meetings on**

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 December 2024 be approved and signed by the Chair.

4. **Crime Report**

The report from the PACT meeting on 7 January 2025 was received.

5. The SID data for December 2024 was received. The Wetherby Road report included some exceptionally high speeds which are likely to be incorrect. The clerk will ask LCC Highways to review the data and advise as to whether the SID needs to be checked.

6. **Neighbourhood Plan Review Working Group**

A public meeting to inform residents about the Neighbourhood Plan Review process will take place at 6 pm on Thursday 20 February 2025 at the Parish Centre. The meeting will be advertised on the website, social media and in the Parish Magazine.

7. **2025/2026 Budget and Precept Request**

7.1 It was **resolved** to approve the budget of £55,928 for 2025/2026.

7.2 It was **resolved** to approve a precept request of £34,000 for 2025/2026. This is a 10% increase from 2024/2025 and equates to an increase of £4.18. per annum for a Band D property.

8. Community Fund Grants

8.1 It was **resolved** to apply for a grant of £10,000 pa for the next 5 years towards the redevelopment of the playground.

8.2 It was **resolved** to apply for a grant of £5,000 towards the cost of reviewing the Neighbourhood Plan.

8.3 It was **resolved** to request that the War Memorial grant be rolled over to 2025/2026.

9. It was **resolved** to open a 45 day Notice Local Council Deposit Account with the Hinkley and Rugby Building Society. It was **resolved** to close the Skipton Building Society and transfer the funds to the Hinkley and Rugby Building Society.

10. Financial Matters

10.1 The receipts for December 2024 were noted as £ 1,330.93

10.2 It was **resolved** to approve the following payments:

		Payee	Amount (net)	VAT	Total	Sec 137
1	BACS	Salaries Incl HMRC	810.16	0	810.16	
2	BACS	Team Clean Cleaning	204.00	0	204.00	
3	DD	ID Mobile	4.13	.87	5.00	
4	DD	BT (Parish Centre Broadband)	35.72	7.14	42.86	
5	DD	YGP(Pavilion Electricity)	67.49	3.37	70.86	
6	DD	EDF (Pavilion Gas 01 12 24 – 02 12 24)	56.36	2.82	59.18	
7	DD	Unity Trust (bank fees December)	10.95	0	10.95	
8	BACS	Clerk's expenses (Printer paper)	4.00	0	4.00	
9	BACS	P M Pitchmarking	45.00	0	45.00	
10	BACS	Cllr P Corrigan (Parish Centre garden)	183.73	33.56	217.29	
11	BACS	LCC (Grass cutting)	1349.47	269.89	1619.36	
12	BACS	Unity Trust Bank (bank fees)	10.95	0	10.95	
13	BACS	J Patterson (Parish Centre plants)	50.36	9.06	59.42	
14	DD	YGP (Parish Centre Electricity)	51.79	2.59	54.38	

10.3 The bank reconciliations as at 31 December 2024 were received.

10.4 The bank balances as at 31 December 2024 were noted as:

Unity Trust Current Account	7,472.94
Skipton BS 992755645	87,226.31
Unity Trust Deposit Account	20,323.91
Total	115,023.16

11. Planning Matters

11.1 Decisions received

24/05979/FU Demolition and part demolition of the existing conservatory and outbuilding to form a single storey rear extension - Stonecroft Low Way, Bramham. Approved.

11.2 Applications received

24/07251/FU/NE Single storey side and rear extension at Leah House Farfield Court Bramham. It was noted that there have been three objections to the application. The objections from one resident were noted. Council had not been made aware of the content of the other 2 objections. It was **resolved** not to object to the application as there were no material grounds on which to do so.

11.3 Update regarding ongoing planning matters – Ward Cllr Lamb commented on the Warren Lane and Bramham House applications in the public participation session.

12. Clerk's Report

- The clerk recommended that the Pavillion hire fees are reviewed at the Assets & Amenities Committee Meeting on 19 February 2025.

- The clerk is undertaking the annual audit of the Tenter Hill Allotments' Accounts
- A pre-audit questionnaire has been received from the Internal Auditor and the clerk is completing this.
- Hirst Conservation have been asked to confirm when they will be able to complete the remaining work on the War Memorial.
- A quote is awaited for the playground repairs and the clerk will chase this.
- A request has been made to LCC to restock the grit bins on Church Hill and Lyndon Road.

13. Correspondence

1004 Letter querying where the memorial stone and information board, previously on Paradise Way, relating to the Battle of Bramham Moor is. It was noted that the stone was re-sited to the junction of Thorner Lane and Paradise Way and a replacement "welcome to Bramham" plaque and stone were placed outside Bowcliffe Farm. Copies of the information board are in the Parish Centre and the Village Hall. The clerk will respond.

14. Minor Items

- LCC Highways have started the work to install a new rear entrance to Bramham Primary School.
- The dog poo bag dispensers need to be restocked and an order will be placed for more bags.

15. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was noted as 7.00 pm on Wednesday 12 February 2025 at the Bramham Parish Centre. Any agenda items or reports to be sent to the clerk by 5pm on Tuesday 4 February 2025.

The meeting concluded at 8.30 pm

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Dated