

Minutes of the Meeting of Bramham cum Oglethorpe Parish Council held on 9 April 2025 at the Bramham Parish Centre

Councillors Present M Corrigan, T Prest, H Buck, P Corrigan, A Pumfrey, K Huggins, L Richards, M Tozer and J Ingham

Also present Ward Cllr A Lamb, Ward Cllr N Harrington and the Clerk

Public Session

Ward Cllr Lamb advised:

- LCC have decided not to object to the appeal in respect of the planning application to install a battery energy storage system at Warren Lane, Bramham. This is contrary to their previous position. It was noted that the residents who object to the planning application had opted not to speak at the appeal hearing on the understanding that LCC would be objecting. Cllr Lamb will keep the council informed about any meetings he has with the residents involved,
- He has arranged a workshop to consider issues raised during the Bramham House development planning consultation. LCC Planners, the developers and representatives of the Parish Council have been invited to attend.

Ward Cllr Harrington advised:

- At the April PACT meeting it was noted there has been an increase in shop lifting in Wetherby and Boston Spa but arrests have been made in relation to the offences. The burglary figures have increased but overall the rate is low. No serious offences were reported in Bramham. The serious offences against the person recorded in March took place within the prisons in the Wetherby Ward.

1. **Apologies**

None

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 12 March 2025 be approved and signed by the Chair.

4. **Crime Report**

The report from the April PACT meeting was received.

5. **Traffic Management Working Group** The data from the SIDs for March 2025 was received. There was no significant change in overall speeds recorded by the static SIDs. LCC Highways have been asked why there have been some anomalies in the recorded data and a response is awaited. The mobile SID was used on Bowcliffe Road and Clifford Road during March 2025 to obtain additional data. The police are due to undertake speed enforcement action in Bramham, as requested by LCC following a review of the data from the SIDs.

6. An update was received from the Neighbourhood Plan Review Working Group. Only one resident has offered to join the Steering Group. It was agreed to include the review of the Neighbourhood Plan in the Parish Meeting Agenda and to distribute a leaflet to all households to inform residents about the process.

7. It was **resolved** to appoint Cllr L Richards and Cllr A Pumfrey to represent the council at the Bramham House Development Workshop.

8. Cllr Huggins and the clerk have met with Clifford FC to discuss the 2025/2026 football contracts. A meeting with Bramham FC has been arranged. The 2025/2026 contacts will be approved at

the May or June meeting.

9. It was **resolved** to approve the quote of £2,800 from Boston Spa Roofing for the external repairs of the Pavilion.
10. Consideration of an annual maintenance contract for the Pavilion shower valves was deferred to the May meeting.
11. It was resolved to increase the rent for Tenter Hill Allotment in 2025 to £440.00.
12. It was **resolved** to transfer all the funds currently held in the Skipton Building Society to the Hinckley and Rugby Building Society savings account.
13. **Financial Matters RFO**
 - 13.1 The receipts for March 2025 were noted as £1,335.66
 - 13.2 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)	38.14	7.63	45.77	
5	DD	YPG (Pavilion Electricity)	29.81	1.49	31.30	
6	DD	YPG (Parish Centre Electricity)	633.75	31.69	665.44	
7	DD	Unity Trust (Bank fees 31 03 2025)	10.05	0	10.05	
8	BACS	P M Pitch Marning (Football pitch marking)	45.00	0.00	45.00	
9	BACS	Avonstar Trading Ltd (Tenter Hill Allotment Step)	242.21	48.44	290.65	
10	BACS	Solar Technology Ltd (Tenter Hill Allotment light)	225.00	45.00	270.00	
11	BACS	PM PitchMarking (Pitch Marking)	45.00	0	45.00	
12	BACS	YLCA (Annual Subscription)	510.00	0	510.00	

13.3 The bank reconciliations as at 31 March 2025 were received.

13.4 The bank balances as at 31 March 2025 were noted as:

Unity Trust Current Account	3,923.69
Unity Trust Deposit Account	18,449.26
Skipton Building Society 992755645	87,226.31
Hinckley & Rugby Building Society	1,000.00
Total	110,599.26

14. Planning Matters

- a) Decisions received

25/00538/FU Erection of a single storey side and rear extension and the insertion of a window to the side. - 5 Lyndon Crescent Bramham. Approved
- b) Applications received

25/01297/FU/NE One detached dwelling at Farfield Court, Wetherby Road, Bramham. The objections raised by a resident were noted. It was **resolved** not to comment on the application.
- c) Update regarding ongoing planning matters

15. Clerk's Report

- The Bramham Run will now take place on 12 October 2025 rather than the 5 October 2025.
- The clerk will contact BCAG to confirm the arrangement for setting up the Marquee for the Bramham Gala.
- Councillors were reminded that the Parish Meeting will take place at 6 pm on 14 May 2025.

16. Correspondence

1016 Resident re strimming work at Bramham House. The clerk has responded.

1017 Letter of thanks from Harrogate U3A for use of the Parish Centre.

1018 Notification of road closures in Bramham on 29 April 2025 for a 10k run.

1019 Environment Agency re vegetation around the Bramham flood barrier. It was noted the area referred to is not owned or under the control of the Parish Council. The clerk will respond.

1020 Resident re planning application 25/01297/FU/NE, Farfield Court. This was considered under planning.

1021 Wetherby Resilience Plan. This will be considered at a subsequent meeting. The clerk will check whether LCC have undertaken a flood risk assessment for Bramham.

1022 Resident re land on Windmill Hill. It was noted that an application to the Land Registry for Possessory Title was not successful. In the absence of definitive proof that title was transferred to the Parish Council when it was established the council will not be pursuing the claim further. The clerk will advise the resident of this.

17. Minor Items

- A request has been received to hold a charity event at the same time as the Bramham FC memorial match on 31 August 2025. It was noted that the organisers would need to comply with the requirements of the council's Large Event Terms and Conditions. This will be discussed at the forthcoming meeting with Bramham FC.
- It was agreed to apply for a *Penguin Little Book Library* book cabinet to be installed at the Parish Centre.
- A fire was lit deliberately on the playing field. The fire brigade attended and there was no significant damage. It has been reported as an anti-social behaviour incident.
- The Annual Newsletter has nearly been finalised and will be published in May.

18. Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was noted Wednesday 14 May 2025 at 7.00 pm at the Bramham Parish Centre. Any agenda items or reports to be sent to the clerk by 5pm on Tuesday 6 May 2025.

The meeting concluded at 8.52 pm

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Dated