

Minutes of the Meeting of Bramham cum Oglethorpe Parish Council held on 11 June 2025 at the Bramham Parish Centre

Councillors Present T Prest, , A Pumfrey, K Huggins and J Ingham.

Also present 1 resident, Ward Cllrs Lamb, Harrington, Stables and the Clerk

Public Session

Cllr Stables informed the meeting that:

- An event for people with dementia, and their carers, will be held at Wetherby Town Hall on 12 June 2025.
- The X98 and X99 bus services are not being cancelled. Transdev will not be renewing their contract for the services when it ends on 30 August 2025. However, WYCA have invited bids for the contract and there are a number of interested parties and the services will continue to run.

Cllr Lamb informed the meeting that:

- He, along with Cllr M Corrigan and a resident, attended the planning appeal in respect of the application to install a battery storage facility on Warren Lane, Bramham. They argued that Warren Lane is not a suitable location given the safety concerns. The outcome of the appeal is awaited.
- The LLC executive board meeting next week will focus on the LCC Local Plan update. Cllr Lamb stressed that it is very important that the Parish Council and residents participate in the consultation which will take place over the summer. It will be important for communities to identify their preferred sites for development.

1. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr M Corrigan. It was resolved to **approve** the reasons for his absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr P Corrigan. It was resolved to **approve** the reasons for her absence.

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

Apologies were received from Cllr H Buck. It was resolved to **approve** the reasons for her absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr M Tozer. It was resolved to **approve** the reasons for his 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 14 May 2025 be approved and signed by the Chair.

4. **Crime Report**

The PACT report was received. It was noted that crime figures are down compared to the previous month by approximately 22%. Shop lifting figures are up (Wetherby), these appear be opportunistic crimes rather than co-ordinated activity. Thefts from the allotments on Aberford Road have been reported as have thefts from Clifford allotments which occurred on or around the same date. Minor tools were taken with some damage caused to shed doors/locks. The police stress that all crimes and anti-social behaviour should be reported.

5. Traffic Management.

5.1 The data from the SIDS for May 2025 was received. It was noted that 20mph limit is being exceeded for the majority of the time despite the SIDs having a calming effect.

5.2 An update from the LCC Highways meeting on 3 June 2025 was received. It was noted that:

- Bramham Primary School rear entrance – discussions are still ongoing about funding for a new gate and path on school premises. LCC have advised that there was an underspend on the work they have undertaken. Confirmation is awaited as to the amount the council will be required to contribute.
 - Junction of Bowcliffe Road and Paradise Way – the proposed change to the speed limit is likely to take place in the second half of the year. Alterations to the junction are on a list of planned schemes but no funding is available yet.
 - Toulston Lane/Aberford Lane - it is unclear whether the section of Toulston Lane which dips is in North or West Yorkshire. NYC have been asked to take action to install warning signs re the dip etc but they have not confirmed that they agree it is their responsibility. LCC Legal team will be asked to establish which council owns the relevant section of road.
 - LCC Highways will be undertaking speed monitoring on Bowcliffe Road in response to an incident when a pedestrian was hit by a vehicle after getting off a bus.
 - LCC Highways will escalate a request to cut back any shrubbery which is obscuring road signs
6. It was **resolved** to defer any decision to contribute towards the cost of improving Milnthorpe Way footpath until further information is received from LCC about the background of the project and more precise plans are provided.
7. It was **resolved** to approve the 2025/2026 football contracts for Bramham FC and Clifford FC.
8. It was **resolved** to approve the Event Management Plan for the Bramham Gala on 28 June 2025.
9. It was **resolved** that that the council will become a member of the National Allotments Society

10. **Financial Matters RFO**

10.1 The receipts for May 2025 were noted as £410.00.

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

		Payee	Amount	VAT	Total	Sec 137
1	BACS	Salaries Incl HMRC	810.16	0	810.16	
2	BACS	Team Clean Cleaning	162.00	0	162.00	
3	DD	ID Mobile	4.13	.87	5.00	
4	DD	BT (Parish Centre Broadband)	49.29	9.86	59.15	
5	DD	YGP (Pavilion Electricity)	64.87	3.24	68.11	
6	DD	YGP (Parish Centre Electricity May and June)	173.25	8.66	181.91	
7	DD	Unity Trust (Bank fees May & June)	17.70	0	17.70	
8	BACS	L Fern (Pavilion deposit)	100.00	0	100.00	
9	BACS	YLCA (Training – Clerk & Cllr Richards)	109.60	0	109.60	
10	BACS	Green Guard (Playground gate)	355.00	0	355.00	
11	BACS	Peter Nichols (Pavilion repairs)	2800.00	0	2800.00	
12	DD	Business Stream (Parish centre water 21 02 -20 05)	55.99	0	55.99	
13	BACS	Clerk's expenses (Postage)	6.96	0	6.96	
14	BACS	Clerk's Mileage	7.38	0	7.38	
16	BACS	ESS (Pavilion fire alarm annual contract)	160.00	32.00	192.00	
17	BACS	ESS (Pavilion intruder alarm annual contract)	255.00	51.00	306.00	

10.3 The bank reconciliations as at 31 May 2025 were received.

10.4 The bank balances as at were noted as:

Unity Trust Current Account	33,864.14
Unity Trust Deposit Account	106,915.50
Hinkley & Rugby Building Society	1000.00
Total	141,799.64

11. Planning Matters

a) Decisions received

None

b) Applications received

25/03044/FU/NE Single storey link extension between existing garage and dwelling; conversion of garage to habitable rooms; associated new and replacement doors and windows including an additional window to front and replacement roller shutter to rear; new hardstanding to rear to form driveway to side/rear; associated removal of a tree and hedges at 2 Lyndon Way, Bramham It was **resolved** not to comment on the application

c) Update regarding ongoing planning matters

None

12. Clerk's Report

- Some asbestos sheets were found in the Beck by the debris screen. These have been removed by LCC who are investigating whether they were dumped there or further upstream.
- A resident reported that someone had cutdown a self-seeded sycamore tree by the Beck. This was on land owned by the Environment Agency and was not undertaken on the instructions of the Parish Council.
- LCC Antisocial behaviour team are now holding drop in sessions at Wetherby Library on the second Tuesday of the month to enable residents to report any incidents in person .

13. Correspondence

1023 Boston Spa, Wetherby & Villages Community Green Group Newsletter – receipt noted.

14. Minor Items

- The Scouts wish to install a 2 x .5 m banner to recruit new members. It was agreed that the best location would be by the junction to Thorner Road.

15. Date of next meeting

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

The meeting concluded at 7.58 pm

Signed.....

Dated