

GREAT AYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly Parish Council meeting held at The Discovery Centre on Tuesday 5th November 2024 at 19.00

Present: Cllr Greenwell, Cllr Greer, Cllr Healy-Dufosse Belton, Cllr Kirk (Chair) & Cllr Mason.

In Attendance: NYC Councillor Moorhouse, Angela Livingstone (Clerk), Lee Marley (Cemetery and Services superintendent).

24.104 Apologies for absence and declaration of Interests

24.104 There were apologies for absence from Cllr Baylin and Cllr Blackmore, the reasons for apologies were accepted. There were no declarations of interest.

24.105 Minutes from the Parish Council Meetings held on Tuesday 1st October 2024

24.105.1 It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Tuesday 1st October 2024 as a true and accurate record. Minutes were signed by the Chair.

24.105.2 There were no matters arising from the minutes of the meeting.

24.106 Police report. Police Report

24.106.1 Report from North Yorkshire Police – 1st – 31st October 2024 - 1 ASB Personal, 5 theft, 3 violence against the person. The Clerk had emailed requesting an update on the CCTV camera for the play park.

24.106.2 Cllr Greenwell reminded of the email from a resident regarding issues with Broadacres residents, this had been forwarded to North Yorkshire Police and Broadacres Housing for support. Cllr Moorhouse assured that Broadacres and the Police worked together and did look at any issues but all agreed the need to ensure that any incidents were reported to enable the Police to build up intelligence. Clerk to inform resident of the need to report matters.

ACTION: Clerk

24.107 Report from NYC Councillor

24.107.1 NYC Cllr H Moorhouse commented on a prior application for Angrove which the Parish Council had received a complaint from a resident regarding. She stated that this matter was to be looked at by the Planning Committee.

24.107.2 Cllr Moorhouse mentioned an email sent to the Parish Council from a resident requesting Speed Signs specifically from the Newton Road junction to the Roseberry Crescent junction on Guisborough Road. The Clerk confirmed that she had requested support from Highways on the requirements for the signs and the types suggested and would bring further information when received. Councillors discussed the statistical evidence from the speed survey which the Parish Council had paid for on Guisborough Road, this showed that the speeds did not meet criteria for action. Support had also been requested from North Yorkshire Police.

24.107.3 An email had been received regarding Restoring Roseberry pathways which Cllr Moorhouse was involved with and Cllr Greer informed of concerns that a well-used path which had already had works completed but was not shown on the plan. He passed the details of the path to Cllr Moorhouse to progress.

24.107.4 There had been a number of email exchanges from the Parish Council regarding concerns on removal of bins across Great Ayton, it had been confirmed that the bin outside of the Discovery Centre would be replaced, the bin outside of Sams Bakery was not to be replaced and all bins were being monitored to check usage. The ongoing issues with the bin at the cut leading to the Play Park continued, the operatives would only collect bins next to the road, but this did not support the issues and health risks of residents throwing dog waste bins into the play park when they found the bin missing. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk was asked to respond and welcome the opportunity of a site visit to discuss issues.

ACTION: Clerk

24.107.5 Cllr Moorhouse had been involved with emails regarding flooding at the corner of Guisborough Road and Langbaugh Close and had found that when North Yorkshire Council (NYC) again came and confirmed that the drains were clear they had looked into the Northumbrian Water drains and found these had tree roots obstructing them. NYC were liaising with Northumbrian Water but asked that the Parish Council also progress.

ACTION: Clerk

24.107.6 The Chair stated that it had been some time since the EV points had been discussed. Cllr Moorhouse assured that she was still progressing, NYC had advised that this would be a whole council purchase.

24.108 Allotments

24.108.1 Community bid for allotments – There were no further updates. The Clerk had chased a response but there was no progress.

24.109 Lease approval

Village Hall and Yatton House lease – The Solicitor was drawing up new paperwork and the Clerk had received an email that afternoon asking to meet to discuss. To progress. **ACTION: Clerk**

24.110 Planning Matters

24.110.1 Planning applications – Consultation Responses. – Councillors discussed applications and the following was agreed.

Application ref / Address	Description of Works	Parish Council responses
ZB24/01874/FUL - Great Ayton Cricket & Football Club	Application for construction of Brick Building 3.7m x 3.0m built on side existing building for storage of grass cutting machinery	Councillors agreed that the location between the scoreboard and changing room was not a concern. No observations.
ZB24/01860/TPO - Chartersmead Easby Lane	Application for works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order 1990/16 - T9, T11, T11, T13, T14, T15 - Remedial works to remove overhanging branches from trees extending over a public footpath and neighbours garden	Councillors discussed the lack of a full arborist report. Comment: The Parish Council had concerns that there was no arboreal report. ACTION: Clerk
ZB24/01917/CAT - Firbeck House 1 Easby Lane	Application for works to a tree in a Conservation Area	No observations.

24.110.2 Planning decisions by LPA – Noted

Application ref / Address	Description of Works
ZB24/01697/CAT - 5 Easby Lane	Application for works to trees in a Conservation Area - The decision on this proposal was: Granted.
ZB24/01672/TPO - 3 Mill Terrace	Works to Tree subject to TPO 2006/09 (Large Sycamore Tree) Crown raising to 6 Metres. The decision on this proposal was: Granted.

24.111 Correspondence and Information from Clerk

To receive and review the correspondence and information details and decide upon necessary actions attached.

24.111.1 Correspondence for discussion-

From	Details
Resident	Request for speed signs in Village – Clerk asked for NYC to give advice on regulations/requirements. Discussed under 24.107.2
HarBus	Information on bus service, and letter to NYC re service improvements. The Chair informed that the company were looking for support on the services provided. Councillors discussed the no 18 bus service to Guisborough which stopped running early afternoon and did not operate on a weekend, it was agreed this was a poor service and a comment to be made. ACTION: Clerk
NYMNPA	Restoring Roseberry's Pathways project – comments by 21.11.24. Comments were passed on to Cllr Moorhouse under 24.107.3
Resident	Request for land rear 122 Guisborough Road. The email was discussed, and it was confirmed that North Yorkshire Council owned this land. Clerk to advise resident. ACTION: Clerk

From	Details
Great Ayton Bowls Club	Request for support regarding Taylor Wimpey not maintaining hedge/field, request for GAPC to assist in field cutting. Councillors discussed the land in question next to the Bowls Club. The Clerk informed that she had supported residents and the club in requesting the hedge to be cut which had been agreed but Taylor Wimpey had refused to cut the field. It was agreed that the Parish Council had supported and encouraged Taylor Wimpey to act. RESOLVED: Clerk to further progress with the PRow officer to ensure the pathway was clear and to suggest a solution to Taylor Wimpey for the Parish Council to adopt the land. ACTION: Clerk
NYC	Removal/re-siting of bins – Discussed under 24.107.5
YLCA	Royal Garden party nomination. RESOLVED: No nominations
Resident	Request to place large container in between graves – cemetery regulations to be discussed.
Great Ayton Twinning Assoc	Request for representative to join group – Cllr Greer to be the Parish Council representative.

24.111.2 Correspondence for information

Resident	Concern of increased antisocial behaviour linked to Broadacres residents – discussed under 24.106.2
Quickline Communications	Information on broadband solutions
YLCA	Information on updated salary scales to be implemented and back paid to 1 st April 2024
Resident	Note of praise for public toilets
Cllr Moorhouse	NYC drain gullies at Guisborough Road/Langbaugh Close junction clear but main Northumbrian Water system noted to be heavily obstructed with tree roots – discussed under 24.107.5
NYC	Changes to Parish Portal – Parish Liaison meeting – booked for 20 th November.
Resident	Approval of wording for plaque which had received a donation outside GADC, confirmed all details with Angela Taylor who had been involved in 2020

24.112 To receive reports/information from Councillors and decide upon necessary actions.

Item	Information	Action / Comments
24.112.1	Working Parties	Cllr Kirk to be removed from Play Park and added to Buildings. Cllrs' Mason and Greer to be added to Allotments. Cllrs' Mason, Greer and Healy-Dufosse Belton to be added to Open Spaces. The Chair stated that there was the need to look at the grass cutting which had been brought in house this year. Clerk to forward list of areas which the Parish Council were involved with to the new Parish Councillors. ACTION: Clerk
24.112.2	Grass cutting across village	Mr Marley informed that the flailmower was still at Sam Turners awaiting parts for repair and the Floodmeadow and the wild area in the Cemetery were still requiring cutting. GAPC team currently working on tidying hedges in the village.
24.112.3	Village Appearance and concerns	Benches
24.112.3	Benches	To continue when indoor space available. Mr Marley agreed to move some items to enable benches to be painted.
24.112.4	Allotment report provided	Rents collected and gardens being let to new tenants, to appoint working party and meet to discuss GAPC team maintenance of gardens. Cllr Baylin had suggested a meeting at the allotments this week and a date was agreed for Cllrs' Mason and Greer to attend with the Clerk and Mr Marley.

Item	Information	Action / Comments
24.112.5 Facilities	Cemetery	New regulations/fees to be updated – Cllr Greenwell had reviewed the regulations and had discussed the fees with the Clerk. RESOLVED: It was approved that there would be no increase to the fees this year. There was a slight alteration and addition to one of the regulations. 2i. additional - no additional plants shrubs or other items will be permitted in this area. Councillors discussed a request from a lady who purchased a tub, this was removed by GAPC team. It was agreed that this was in breach of regulation 5a. The Parish Council has sympathy for the lady involved, but the regulations which were on the website restrict this. Clerk to advise. ACTION: Clerk
	Yatton House	Owl boxes installed in Cemetery and in the Flood Meadow. To progress container to replace shed, progressing meeting date to discuss again the proposal for a 20ft container. Request from Yatton House to support defibrillator installation and maintenance costs. Exact cost requested and still awaited. Annual rent invoice sent to Yatton House. Yatton House – GAPC hut. Leak under sink, plumber needed to fix, being progressed.
	Play Area	Fencing being installed. Awaiting costs for non-urgent works indicated on RoSPA report Youths mounding play bark into bike ramps causing significant problems to staff. Play Park to close at 3.30pm over winter months and it was hoped this would lessen the antisocial behaviour. The Clerk informed that the Play Park had needed to remain closed the previous Saturday as there had been a fire lit in the bin and this had needed to be cleared.
	Public Conveniences	To be painted in washable paint over the winter, cleaning training session booked for 6th November.
Village events	Remembrance Sunday	Sunday 10 th November – road closure signs in place. Parish Councillors reminded that those attending the parade needed to be at the hall by 10:15.
	Christmas events	Christmas tree to be erected 26 th November. Carols on the Green 16.12.24 7pm – Chairs charity collection to be for ‘Action for Children’.
	Food event Summer 2025	VE Day 80 th Anniversary event - Saturday 10 th May food event – email from Bruno Peeks to consider Beacon lighting – note that this event was not possible in 2024 due to lack of support available. This was confirmed.
Any update from Parish Council Team	Website Accessibility	Clerk to attend training to gain up to date information but noted that the statement which should have been on the website in 2018 is not in place and she would progress this against up-to-date information.
	Verbal update	Mr Marley attended a talk at Westerdale by the person who installed the owl boxes, he had obtained a contact for bat boxes for the Cemetery and would obtain additional information.

24.113 Financial Reports

24.113.1 To receive and approve items on the Accounts Report. Receipts and Payments to 5th November 2024 were **AGREED** as **RECEIVED** and it was **RESOLVED** that the payments list be signed as approved in accordance with Financial Regulations.

ACCOUNTS REPORT

Receipts

<u>Paid From</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Allotment tenants	allotment tenants rents	27.9 – 30.10	£6,563.77
North Yorkshire Council	Precept 2nd instalment	30.9.24	£92,500.00
Dales of Thirsk	Headstone installation Head	1.10.24	£125.00
Rea	Funeral fees Sept	1.10.24	£125.00
Dales of Thirsk	Headstone installation Tanfield	15.10.24	£125.00
Watkins	Ellison interment of double ashes and 2 plaques	16.10.24	£250.00
Allotment tenant	J W 40B inc deposit	18.10.24	£105.00
Allotment tenant	O B 37A inc deposit	21.10.24	£105.00
Allotment tenant	R W 9C1 inc deposit	22.10.24	£52.50
Allotment tenant	G R 47A inc deposit	24.10.24	£105.00
Allotment tenant	C C 57B1 inc deposit	28.10.24	£52.50
		TOTAL	£100108.77

Payments

<u>Paid to</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
Great Ayton Scouts	donation to Firework display	2.10.24	£ 150.00
Tees Valley Wildlife trust	1 barn and 1 tawny owl nest box	2.10.24	£ 125.00
Radius UK Fuels	petrol for grasscutter	29.9.24	£ 32.20
North Yorkshire Council	Advance charges for monthly bin collection	1.10.24	£ 69.08
Nat West	Bank charges 31.8-4.10	1.10.24	£ 26.25
Sam Turner & Sons	Tarmac cold lay 25k x 4	2.10.24	£ 34.00
Thompsons Hardware	toilet consumables & envelopes	2.10.24	£ 59.18
Post Office	8 x 2nd class stamps	3.10.24	£ 6.80
North Yorkshire Council	Payroll charges 1.7-30.9	8.10.24	£ 22,327.76
Initial Washroom Hygiene	3 x hygiene units	11.10.24	£ 76.75
Valda Energy	electric parish centre & cemetery	12.10.24	£ 38.39
Sam Turner & Sons	Husqvama chain oil mineral 5ltr & 5ltr antifreeze	14.10.24	£ 35.98
Studio Botez Ltd	website & email hosting	15.10.24	£ 302.40
Valda Energy	electric public conveniences 7.10-7.11	16.10.24	£ 59.92
Lex Autolease	Van lease rental	16.10.24	£ 473.67
Everflow	Water to all meters 18.11.-17.12	18.10.24	£ 320.18
Merritts	professional charges lease GA Football pitch	23.10.24	£ 600.00
Sam Turner & Sons	Stihl parts for machine inhouse service	25.10.24	£ 62.84
Alan Dale	dig and fill grave 19.10	26.10.24	£ 375.00
BNP Paribas Leasing	Grasscutter monthly fee	1.10.24	£ 456.00
Great Ayton Discovery Centre	Donation	31.10.24	£ 12,500.00
Maynards Nursery	24ft spruce tree	26.11.24	£ 411.84
A Livingstone	Feet First Stokesley plaque for bench GADC	5.11.24	£ 37.00
			£38580.24

24.113.2 To discuss budget / precept for 2025/2026 for approval at the December meeting – Councillors were reminded to consider any requirements for the precept. Up to date financial information had been circulated.

Exclusion of the Press and Public - In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council can RESOLVE that the press and public be excluded from the meeting if required.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, 3rd December 2024 7pm at the Discovery Centre.

Signature

Date

Clerk: Mrs Angela Livingstone – clerk@great-ayton.org.uk