

# Danby Wiske with Lazenby Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025

### in the Village Hall at 8.00 pm

#### **Present:**

Chairman - Alastair Wilkin

Councillors – Margaret Goldie, Kate Rayfield & David Swall

Clerk – Jan Sanders

Parishioner – Adrian Farmer

#### **25/12 To receive apologies**

**Resolved** to accept the apologies received from NYC Councillor - Annabel Wilkinson & from Damian Neilson

#### **25/13 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2025 as a true and correct record**

**Resolved** to confirm the above minutes as a true record.

#### **25/14 To receive information on the following ongoing issues & decide further action where necessary**

##### **14.1 Speed concerns**

Via contact with Deborah Flowers at Area 2 Highways, a speed survey was carried out on the three approach roads to the village from 13 February to 19 February. The full results covering the mean speed, percentile speeds and the volume of traffic will be analysed ready for consideration by the councillors.

**Resolved** to instruct the clerk to ask if anything is required of the council following the survey.

##### **14.2 Drainage works at Lazenby**

David informed the meeting that there has been no further progress.

##### **14.3 Adoption of .gov email accounts**

No report in Damian's absence.

##### **14.4 Septic Tank Item**

Damian reported via email on his site visit at Crowfoot Lane with Nick Hutchins from Highways. Water is accessing the road through the gate from the field, the hedge at the bottom end of the field and the holes in the road surface. Regarding the water running off the field, his advice is for the drainage ditches to be cleared. Upon inspection it is a long time since this has been done, the ditches being full of debris and the road is the only place where the water can go. This would apply

to the ditches on both sides of the road. Nick stated this is the responsibility of the landowner as opposed to highways but would be able to help with a temporary road closure if necessary. Regarding the holes in the road surface, his view is that it is unlikely that there is a leak in the water main under the A167. It is more likely that water is seeping through due to the saturation of the ground. Damian agreed to take photographs in the summer if this happens and contact the water board, who will be able to take samples to establish if it is from the mains supply. It may be possible to arrange for salt bags to be dropped off but difficult to add to the gritting route. To summarise, it seems that clearing the ditches is, for now, the only potential remedy available. This would require the council to contact the landowners.

**Resolved** that Alastair will speak to the landowners on either side of the lane.

## **25/15 To receive a report on matters dealt with by the clerk**

**Resolved** to accept the following report from the clerk.

### **15.1 Defibrillator refresher session**

This has been booked for 15 May from 6.30 to 8.00pm immediately before the next meeting.

**Resolved** to promote the session on Face Book and with posters on notice boards so that the parishioners may attend.

### **15.2 Grass cutting quote**

Acceptance of the quote of £70 per cut plus VAT (an increase of £5 per cut) from Walkers for grass-cutting in 2025/26.

### **15.3 Noticeboard refurbishment**

Neil Aldridge has been thanked for his kind offer to refurbish the noticeboard. He requested that the councillors specify the finish for the wood and whether a new back board is required. The noticeboard will need to be removed from the green to carry out the work.

**Resolved** to request that the old varnish is removed and the wood treated with a preservative and the back board replaced. Kate has identified a suitable one. Adrian offered to help with the removal of the noticeboard from the green. The clerk will communicate these points to Neil and ask what remuneration is required for the work.

## **25/16 To consider items raised by the councillors**

Adrian was invited to bring his concerns to the attention of the meeting. He reported that a large amount of dog waste, in plastic bags, had been put in the gritting bin outside the village hall instead of the bins provided for this specific purpose. He had made his feelings felt in a post on Face Book. He also noted that owners were not cleaning up after their dogs especially along Mounstrall Lane.

**Resolved** to monitor the correct disposal of dog waste and remind parishioners of the need so to do.

## **25/17 Financial matters:**

### **17.1 To receive a bank reconciliation**

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| <u>Bank Statement</u> - | Business Current Account | <u>£ 3,390.43</u> |
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## **17.2 To note the following payments**

**Resolved** to note the following payments:

North Yorkshire Council - Speed survey fees

J Sanders – salary 3 months plus tax and expenses

## **17.3 To approve the annual fee for YLCA**

**Resolved** to approve the annual fee for membership of Yorkshire Local Councils Associations

## **25/18 To receive any planning information**

**18.1 Application for refurbishment of the kitchen including installation of French doors and a new window at the Manor House, Danby Wiske – ref ZB24/01762/LBC** Granted.

## **25/19 To approve the dates for parish council meetings in 2025-26**

**Resolved** to approve May 15, July 17, September 18, November 20, January 15 and March 19 as the dates of the parish council meetings in 2025-26

## **25/20 To confirm the date and format for the Annual Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting**

**Resolved** to hold the Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on 15 May 2025 commencing at 8 pm.

## **25/21 To receive a report on the Play Area**

**Resolved** to accept Alastair's report that all was in good order.

## **25/22 To receive a Police Report.**

**Resolved** to accept the report for January with no incidents.

## **25/23 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting**

Nothing in addition to matters arising.

## **25/24 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Thursday 15 May 2025**

Agreed

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.56 pm.

Signed ..... Chairman

Signed ..... Clerk      Dated .....