

# DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7PM IN ESCRICK VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2025

Chairman: Cllr E Lewis

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### Part 1

#### 25001: Apologies/Attendance:

- a. Present: Cllrs Lewis, Bartram, E Hale, Dixon, N Hale and Clarke.
- b. Apologies: Council received apologies from Cllr Hussein: it was resolved to accept reason given.
- c. All present were requested to sign the Attendance book.

**25002: Welcome:** Chairman welcomed Councillors present at the meeting.

**25003: Declarations of Interest:** None received.

#### 25004: Minutes:

1. It was resolved to accept minutes of last meetings.
2. Chairman signed minutes as a true record, if approved.

#### 25005: Elector's Comments:

Complaints received about the increased number of dog walkers who are not picking up after their dogs on the bridleway which runs behind the west side of Deighton village. It was established that dog mess in fields can render the crops worthless. Following a discussion, Cllr Lewis volunteered to find out who is responsible for the signage along the route and request this is reinstated and then to contact a local dog walking group which is being set up to request that they pick up after their dogs whilst out walking. The discussion queried whether the bridleway is a PROW or permissive, the possibility of obtaining a new dog bin either end of the route (CYC would have to agree to empty these), appropriate signage, then raised the issue of the joint rubbish/dog bin near the bus shelter at the village entrance which smells badly, especially during the summer.

#### 25006: Reports, for information only, from:

- a) Ward Councillor. Cllr Vassey has some money in his ward fund, which Deighton could utilise if there are any projects in mind. It was suggested that a Chairman's laptop and printer be purchased, as well as a printer for the Clerk. Cllr Dixon to research specifications and inform Chairman and Clerk. Cllr N Hale suggested planting bulbs at Crockey Hill traffic lights near to the commemorative trees and will price these up.
- b) Police.
- c) Clerk.

#### 25007: Planning:

**Applications:** None.

**Decisions:**

1. **24/00736/FUL:** Variation of conditions 2 (plans), 11 (bat license) and 14 (external lighting) of permitted application 22/00971/FUL to alter the approved plans and elevations at Deighton Hall, Naburn Lane, Deighton. Approved.
2. **24/00733/LBC:** Refurbishment of Deighton Hall and conversion of existing agricultural buildings for use as 2no. dwellings and 1no. annex, construction of 3no. garages, external works, and demolition of agricultural structures. Amendments to previously approved application: 22/00972/LBC at Deighton Hall, Naburn Lane, Deighton. Approved.
3. **24/01448/FUL:** Conversion of outbuilding to dwelling (use class C3) to include 2no. dormers to front and associated elevational alterations to fenestration at The White Swan Inn, York Road, Deighton. Approved.

**Other:** None.

#### **25008: Finances:**

**a) Account balance**

Balance as at 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	£20,531.21
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**b) Payments made since last meeting under Clerk's delegated powers:**

1. H Guest (reimburse hall hire)	£33.75
2. CYC – refund of grant monies	£2,245.91
3. D Birkley – Christmas trees	£110.00
4. Autela Payroll Services Ltd	£98.23

**c) Payments to be made:** None.

**d) Receipts:** None

**e) Other:**

1. Christmas tree was purchased and subsequently stolen from the Village Green before it was installed. Second Christmas tree approved for similar price.
2. Clerk advised that Cllr Vassey was in favour of a plaque in memory of Maurice Vassey, who recently passed away and served on the Parish Council for many years. Cllr E Hale to consider wording, pass this by Cllr Vassey and then arrange for the purchase of a plaque. A date to commemorate this will be arranged in due course.
3. Banking update: Clerk advised that Lloyds bank is to transfer the Councils Treasurers Account to a Community Account and will start charging a monthly fee of £4.25 from 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025.
4. Green Bin subscription for Village Green grass clippings: Clerk awaiting subscriptions to open for green bin collection from Blink Bonnie. Cost is expected to be £49 per annum.
5. Precept for the forthcoming year: Councillors considered that, whilst the contingency raised due to not paying staff should be reduced, it would be prudent to implement a small increase in the precept now that there is a salaried employee. It was resolved to increase the precept for the year 2025/26 to £4,671: following the grant from CYC, this equates to rise of 44 pence per month per Band D household. Clerk to advise CYC. Payment of Clerks salary noted.

To resolve whether to accept report and payments made/to be made.

#### **25009: Defibrillators:** No updates.

#### **25010: Highways matters:**

1. Note that Highways have been contacted regarding a second VAS sign on Wheldrake Lane in Crockey Hill heading from the A19 towards Wheldrake. No further information at this stage.

2. 20 MPH speed limit in Deighton Village: Clerk suggested a working group to be set up consisting of perhaps 2 Councillors and 2 residents of Deighton. Cllr Lewis to take the lead and advise Councillors of progress.

**25011: Crockey Hill Junction:** No issues.

**25012: Correspondence:**

1. Promoting the Mayor's consultation on funding for policing and fire and rescue services in York and North Yorkshire – passed to Councillors.
2. Protocols for the death of a senior national figure – Parish Clerks recommended to join NACO for up-to-date information.

**25013: Items for the next agenda** – None.

**24014: Dates of next meetings resolved as:** 10<sup>th</sup> March and 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (subject to confirmation).

**8.05pm: Closure of meeting.**

**Signed:** .....

L Lewis, Deighton, Deighton Parish Council

**Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025