

DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.10PM IN ESCRICK VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 19TH MAY 2025.

Chairman: Cllr E Lewis

Clerk/RFO: Mrs H Guest,
deightonpc@gmail.com

Part 1

25029: Statutory annual meeting business:

- a) **Election of chairman** of the parish council.
 - i) Cllr Lewis was elected as chairman for the year.
 - ii) Chairman signed acceptance of office; clerk witnessed signature.
 - iii) Clerk countersigned chairman's acceptance of office.
- b) **Election of vice-chairman** of the parish council.
 - i) Cllr E Hale was elected as vice-chairman for the year.
 - ii) Vice-chairman to sign acceptance of office at next meeting; clerk to witness signature.
 - iii) Clerk to countersign vice-chairman's acceptance of office.

25030: Welcome: Chair welcomed councillors to the meeting.

25031: Apologies/Attendance:

- a. Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke, E Hale and N Hale. All reasons given for absence were accepted.
- b. All present were requested to sign the Attendance book.

25032: Interests: Chair reminded members to make any declarations of interest in any agenda items. None.

25033: Minutes

- a. It was resolved to accept Minutes of last meeting.
- b. Chairman signed minutes as a true record.

25034: Council Policies: Clerk reported that an updated Standing Orders template has just been circulated by YLCA and this will update the current; updated Financial Regulations still cannot be produced until the mechanics of internet banking are known. All remaining documents are appropriate.

25035: Committees: It was resolved that membership of other bodies would not be necessary for the forthcoming year.

25036: Representatives: It was resolved not to appoint any representatives to outside bodies.

25037: Comments from the public: None received.

25038: Reports, for information only, from:

- a) Ward Councillor. None.
- b) Police. None.
- c) Clerk: Reported that Village Hall bookings have asked that someone at the Parish Council completes a Fire Safety Course which they have asked all regular users to do. Clerk to do this.

25039: Planning:

Applications: None.

Decisions: None.

Other: None.

25040: Finances:

a) **Account balance**

Bank balance as at 29th April 2025 £17,993.92

b) **Payments made since last meeting under Clerk's delegated powers:** None – awaiting new cheque book.

c) **Payments to be made:** None – awaiting new cheque book.

d) **Receipts:**

1. Precept £2,335.50

e) **Other:**

1. A plaque has been installed on the Deighton notice board frame in a quiet event in memory of Maurice Vassey.

2. Application to join HSBC has been submitted. Closure of Lloyds account to be done in due course.

3. Remembrance Day 2025: It was resolved to purchase 20x large poppies to attach to lampposts at a cost of £95. Cllr Bartram to deal.

4. It was resolved to purchase a Christmas tree for 2025 at a cost of up to £120. Cllr Bartram to deal.

Payment of Clerks salary noted.

5. Auditor approval: It was resolved that K King carries out this year's audit. It was resolved to accept report.

25041: Defibrillators: No updates.

25042: Highways matters:

- 1. Serious concerns about the speed of egress from Swan Farm Close onto Main Street and the possibility of an accident. Clerk has previously contacted the Ward Councillor, but received no reply.
- 2. Cllr Bartram updated the Council regarding the northbound VAS: He has emailed CYC who are aware of the repeated issues with this model of VAS. The two units we have are of poor quality. They haven't been fit for purpose since purchase and installation by CYC who, it is believed, were perhaps unwittingly sold an inferior product. The Parish Council resolved to ask CYC to consider removing both in favour of new models. It was noted that the VAS in Crockey Hill has worked consistently, without problems since installation last year.

25043: Bridleway to west of Deighton Village – Cllr Lewis informed the Council about issues caused by irresponsible dog owners on the bridleway and said she had been informed that CYC had no funds to empty an additional dog bin.

25044: Correspondence: None.

25045: Items for the next agenda

1. Speeding through Crockey Hill Village from the direction of Wheldrake. Despite the VAS to remind drivers from the direction of Wheldrake to slow down, the novelty seems to have worn off and drivers seem to be passing the 40MPH sign at speeds much faster than this.

25046: Confirmed dates of next meetings: 7th July, 8th September and 10th November 2025, then 12th January, and 9th March 2026.

8.10pm: Closure of meeting.

Signed:

L Lewis, Chairman, Deighton Parish Council

Date: 7th July 2025