

DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7PM IN ESCRICK VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2025

Chairman: Cllr E Hale

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Part 1

25061: Statutory business following resignation of Chairman:

- a) **Election of chairman** of the Parish Council.
 - i) Councillors elected Cllr E Hale as chairman for the remainder of 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) Councillors elected Cllr Bartram as vice-chairman for the remainder of the year.
 - ii) Vice-chairman signed acceptance of office; clerk witnessed signature.
 - iii) Clerk countersigned vice-chairman's acceptance of office.

25062: Apologies/Attendance:

- a. Present: Cllrs E Hale, N Hale, Clarke, Hussein, Bartram, Dixon, Ward Cllr Vassey and one member of the public.
- b. Apologies: None.
- c. All present were requested to sign the Attendance book.

25063: Welcome: Chairman welcomed Councillors and electors present at meeting.

Cllr Hale also wanted to record the appreciation of the Parish Council to Cllr Liz Lewis who recently resigned. The Council are grateful for her efforts on behalf of the residents and the Parish Council.

25064: Declarations of Interest: None.

25065: Minutes:

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

25066: Elector's Comments:

- 1. Request for cycle path from Crockey Hill, along the A19 to the Designer Outlet roundabout (this item is discussed later in these Minutes).
- 2. A resident asked for an update on the speeding issues along Wheldrake Lane in Crockey Hill (see item later in these Minutes).

25067: Reports received:

- a) Ward Councillor. Cllr Vassey reported the following:
 - 1. Bus stops – people were worried about bus stops on blind bends near Pool Bridge Farm being a concern. He is awaiting information to advise as to how it was thought appropriate. A complexity may be the fact that it's a Ward boundary. There is also the issue that there aren't many buses. Bus stop lights may not be useful in due course as they are solar and under trees.
 - 2. Issue of people walking down the road with no pavement.
 - 3. He is supportive of a second VAS in Crockey Hill.
 - 4. Cycle paths – the combined authority has money for this, but no map yet of where these might be. He believes that there needs to be more effort put into enabling people to travel and meet within the area.
 - 5. Planning Committees – they are considering the removal of a Planning Committees, but he is concerned that this will be detrimental to democracy in planning.
 - 6. Flags – flags in roadways and the public realm may cause an issue for many residents and a hazard for traffic. No issue with flags on private property.
- b) Police. None.
- c) Clerk. None.

25068: Planning:**Applications:**

- 1. 25/01403/FUL: Proposed porch at front, balcony to the rear, 5no. rooflights to front roofslope and new windows throughout at Cartmans Cottage, Forge Lane, Deighton. Extension of time for comments applied for. No objections.
- 2. 25/01492/FUL: Erection of 1no. general purpose agricultural building (polytunnel) and associated siting of 1no. temporary rural workers' dwelling – resubmission at Field to the North of Warren House Farm, New Road, Deighton. Extension of time for comments applied for. No objections.
- 3. 25/01546/OHL: Installation of an overhead cable: STREET RECORD Deighton to Crockey Hill. Noted.
- 4. 25/01548/FUL: Change of use of Public House (sui generis) to 1no. dwelling (C3), alterations to porch and erection of a garage at The White Swan Inn, York Road, Deighton. No objections.
- 5. 25/01641/FUL: Removal of condition 3 of permitted application 10/00150/FUL at The Barn Primrose Hill Farm, York Road, Deighton. No objections.

Decisions:

- 1. 25/01147/CLU: Certificate of lawfulness for the use of the property as a dwellinghouse within use class C3 in breach of Condition 3 of 10/00150/FUL at The Barn, Primrose Hill Farm, York Road, Deighton. Approved.
- 2. AOD/25/00077: Conditions 3 (large scale details), 5 (repairs plot 1), 6 (bathroom services) and 7 (repairs plots 2, 3 and Annexe) of 24/00733/LBC at Deighton Hall, Naburn Lane, Deighton. Approved.

Other:

- 1. White Swan as a Community Asset: Numerous residents have raised concerns about the White Swan planning application and the potential loss of this as the last remaining public venue in not just Deighton Village, but the whole Parish. The Clerk reported on research into the pub becoming a possible community asset, largely carried out by Liz Lewis. The first requirement would be for 21 people who are 'connected' to submit their names and contact details onto an application form and subsequently to raise sufficient

funds to buy the property, should the owner wish to sell. The Council believed that with only 2 public comments on the planning website at the time of the meeting, it would be an impossible expectation for 21 Deighton residents to put their names forward to campaign that this becomes a community asset. Further, an appropriate sum of money needs to be raised for the potential purchase of the premises. It is understood that there are identified residents who have made a lot of comments on Facebook/WhatsApp on this subject and it would be interesting to know how many any of those people would like to put their names forward for the minimum of 21 interested parties. Whilst none of the Parish Councillors wish to join this list, it would be interesting to know how these vocal residents plan to raise funds to potentially purchase the premises.

25069: Finances:

- a) **Account balance**
Balance as at 25th July 2025 £15,312.92
- b) **Payments made since last meeting under Clerk's delegated powers:** None.
- c) **Payments to be made:**
 - 1. T Bartram (reimburse poppies for lampposts) £95.00
- d) **Receipts:** None.
- e) **Other:**
 - 1. New bank account: Now need to seek advice from bank with change of Chairman.

25070: Defibrillators: No updates.

25071: Highways matters:

- 1. Traffic calming on Wheldrake Lane, Crockey Hill. Cllr E Hale reported that there has been a speed camera van and more are expected. Cllr Hale has contacted Luke Charters MP who said he would pass her email onto the CYC Road Safety Officer to direct residents towards the speed management protocol operated by NY Police.
- 2. Footpath/Cycle way between Crockey Hill and the Designer Outlet roundabout: This item has been discussed at length several years ago, but was never progressed due to financial constraints. Cllr Vassey has stated that there is an intention to create a plan for cycle paths around the CYC area and he will be putting forward proposals for paths from Crockey Hill and the area to enable access for all.
- 3. Serious concerns about the speed of egress from Swan Farm Close onto Main Street and the possibility of an accident were reported at the last meeting. The Clerk subsequently reported it to CYC. It was noted that lines have now been painted at this junction to clearly indicate right of way.
- 4. Cllr Bartram to reported that VAS signs at Deighton are working at present.
- 5. Damage to salt bin at the entry to Distone Court: It was reported that a contractor's van ran into the salt bin at this location, causing a small amount of damage. No further information available. Noted.

25072: Other matters:

- 1. Resignation of Cllr Lewis – Clerk dealing with Electoral Services to obtain vacancy notice.
- 2. Query regarding flies in Deighton Village – A resident has raised the issue of fly infestations in the Village. The Council did not believe that this was anything unusual for a rural location and understood that the resident has already reported this to CYC

Environmental Services. It was suggested by Cllr Vassey that we could utilize Swift boxes, possibly with a Ward grant. Clerk to make inquiries.

3. Information from CYC Highways regarding steps to take when closing roads for events, including obtaining relevant permissions. Noted.

25073: Correspondence.

1. Inquiry from Stillingfleet Parish Council regarding our experience with VAS signs. Clerk to deal.

25074: Items for the next agenda

1. Newly planted commemorative trees appear stressed due to dry weather. Cllr N Hale to assess their condition.
2. Two large established oak trees at Crockey Hill junction appear to have died. Cllr E Hale to contact CYC arboriculture team to investigate due to potential H&S issues.
3. Overgrown crossing points over the A19 – need to establish whether these are still crossing points.

25075: Noted proposed date of next meetings: 10th November 2025, then 12th January, and 9th March 2026 (subject to confirmation).

8.30pm: Closure of meeting.

Signed: **E Hale**

Chairman, Deighton Parish Council

Date: 10th November 2025