

Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Great Ouseburn Parish Council at 7.00 pm on 18th June 2025 in the Jeff Gill Room of the Village Hall

Present: Councillors F. Grout (Chairman), R. Jones, G. Jackson, K. Scott, S. Wilkinson, J. Ainsworth

Clerk: J. Merriman

A 15-minute public session was held prior to the Council commencing the meeting. Members of the public were invited to raise any matters they wished to discuss. A question was raised about the just giving page. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should contact Vision ICT regarding adding information and that the Clerk would set up a Paypal account, give details of the account to Luke Crawford who would set the page up. A cost of £150 was approved.

2025/17 The newly elected Chairman received and signed the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

2025/18 An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting
Councillor Wilkinson resigned at this point.

2025/19 All members were present therefore there were no apologies.

2025/20 Declaration of Interests
a) Councillor Scott declared an interest in the SINC project
b) There were no applications for dispensation

2025/21 The minutes of the meeting held on 21st May 2025 were confirmed and signed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

2025/22 No report was received from North Yorkshire Council

2025/23 **Cricket Net Revised Plan**
The revised Plan 1 for the Cricket Club lease was signed by Councillors Jones and Jackson. It was **AGREED** the Clerk would return it to Harrowells and to carry out any further actions

2025/24 **Just Giving**
This item was taken at the public session.

2025/25 **Clerk's report**

- Following information received regarding insurance for litter picking
The Clerk has contacted NYC to arrange for litter picking equipment to be delivered to Great Ouseburn
It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should check cover with our insurance provider
- The Clerk has sent an email to one of the tenants of the pontoon to request information regarding arrangements for the coming year.
An email was sent to the other tenant which bounced back.
It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should check the annual rents of neighbouring pontoons such as Boroughbridge Marina and Linton Lock
- The Clerk has arranged a meeting with James Mackman on Friday 13th June to further review the AGAR and year end procedures
- It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should respond to NYC regarding the SINC report and check progress. Askham Bryan are carrying out a full bio-blitz over the summer in the area. Councillors Scott and Jackson have not been contacted by NYC regarding the SINC.
- It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should contact Stonebridge to ask them to cut the grass, deal with the mound, the flags, finish the path leading to Carrside, the weeds and the general disorder.

2025/26

To consider the following financial matters:

- (a) Payments included £27.92 Dave Meakin petrol, £36 rent for the Village Hall, £100 Mr Robinson, £8.00 Vision ICT
- (b) The Bank Reconciliation was noted:

Balance Bfwd as at 14/05/2025	£ 23,746.09
Income	£ 0.00
Expenditure	£ 1,359.93
Balance as at 10/06/25	£ 22,386.16

2025/27

Planning Issues

a) Planning applications

Application No	Proposal	Location	Comments
25/01658/DVCON	Section 73 application for variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 19/03086/FUL conversion/extension of existing outbuilding to create single dwelling, partial demolition of ancillary outbuilding and formation of new vehicle access to allow for alterations to approved plans	Vine House Main Street Great Ouseburn North Yorkshire YO26 9RQ	NO OBJECTIONS
25/01590/FUL	Erection of a new building for Use Class B8, warehouse and distribution	Ousegill Business Park Carr	NEITHER SUPPORTS NOR REFUSES

	including provision of parking, landscaping and ancillary works	Side Road Great Ouseburn North Yorkshire	The site requires a footpath since the road is heavily used by pedestrians going to work and walking and the design and access statement is false as the Ouse Gill (source of the Ouse) does not dry up, otters have been seen there and there is a likely population of water voles. The road is in a very bad condition. It has already had an impact on a Grade 2 Listed monument
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b) Planning enforcements – no planning enforcements were received

c) Planning decisions – no planning decisions were received

- 2025/28** An email was received from an allotment holder, and it was **RESOLVED** to check if the lines were power lines or telephone lines.
- 2025/29** Enlargement of the fishpond into Townend Reserve was considered and it was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Jackson would bring a proposal to the next meeting to discuss.
- 2025/30** Work required at the Freelanding was considered and it was **AGREED** to pay the cost of the scaffolding swivel. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would contact the Open Space Society to discuss the illegal sewage plant issue.
- 2025/31** The action log was received and updated.
- 2025/32** The date of the next meeting was agreed as 16th July

The meeting closed at 9.00pm