



Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish Council (TWWPC) held following the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 27 April 2026 at Tockwith Village Hall, 1 Marston Road, Tockwith, YO26 7PR.

Present: Cllr Arnold Warneken (Chairman), Cllr Alex Marsh, Cllr Stuart McHenery, Cllr Simon Blake, Cllr Debra Cumming, Cllr Kriston Wright.

Apologies: Cllr David Cunningham.

Guests: County Councillor Andy Paraskos.

In attendance: Fiona Vicary, Clerk to the Parish Council.

Four members of the public were in attendance.

MINUTES

211. Apologies

- i) To note any apologies received

Apologies had been received from Cllr Cunningham.

- ii) To approve any reasons for absence submitted for consideration

RESOLVED: That the reasons for absence submitted by Cllr Cunningham be accepted.

212. To Note any Declarations of Interest

- i) To note declarations of interests not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) in the business to be transacted at this meeting

Cllr Blake declared an interest in planning and Cllr Warneken and Cllr Marsh declared an interest in matters relating to call for sites.

- ii) To approve any dispensation requests received

Cllr Blake requested a dispensation request with regards to planning.

RESOLVED: To approve the dispensation request.

213. Public Open Forum

Four members of the public were present at the meeting. The following issues were raised:

- When will the village gateways be installed?
- Community speed watch signs are in other villages. A resident requested signs for Tockwith. These could potentially be requested from NYC. Resident was advised to contact County Councillor Paraskos.
- The road resurfacing could cause a safety issue near Westfield Road. County Councillor Paraskos to report to NYC.
- Concerns with ongoing issues with vehicular access to the Bridlepath allotments were raised.

214. County Councillor Reports

- i) To receive reports from North Yorkshire County Councillors Warneken and Paraskos
County Councillor Paraskos has sourced some dog waste stickers for distribution around the parish.

215. Minutes

- i) To approve the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held 23 March 2026
RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held 23 March 2026 be approved as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

216. Finance

- i) To approve payment of invoices

Payee	Description of goods/services	Total Value:
Fiona Vicary	Clerk Salary & WFH Allowance	£1180.94
Fiona Vicary	Clerk Expenses	£36.90
Village Hall Management Committee	Utility Grant	£95.68
Yorkshire Green Team	Grass Cutting	£432.00
Yorkshire Green Team	Gate posts replaced at Bert's Garden	£456.00
ORCS return Grace Limburg	EV Charger return of grant	£24,203.00
Adam Forster Arborists	Church Row Allotment Refurbishment	£8,500.00
Ainsty (2008) Internal Drainage Board	Land Drainage Rate Demand	£16.71
YLCA	Membership Subscription 2026-2027	£707.00
Vision ICT Ltd	Councillor Emails	£264.00
PWLB	Loan Repayment PW496357	£1,932.52
Nest Pension	Employer Pension	£31.88
O2	Mobile Phone	£17.71
Unipass	Village Hall locking system maintenance	£9.00
		£37,883.34
Receipts		
Lloyds Bank	April 2026 Interest	£65.32
Monta	EV Charger Income	£95.68

RESOLVED: To approve the payments with immediate effect.

- ii) To note the repayment of the EV grant to ORCS of £24,203
The repayment amount was noted.
- iii) To approve a bank reconciliation to 31/03/2026 (as evidenced by bank statement and ledger/cashbook)
RESOLVED: That the bank reconciliation to 31/03/2026 be approved. The PC's bank balance as at 31/03/2026 is £129,615.76.
- iv) To note receipts and payments against 2026/27 budget
Noted.
- v) To consider the appointment of an independent internal auditor for the 2025/26 accounts and future years
RESOLVED: To appoint the independent internal auditor Andrew Bosmans for the 2025/26 accounts and for a further period of three years. This is based on the current cost of approximately £275.
- vi) To note the increased annual charge for hiring the village hall
The cost to hire the village hall for annual bookings was noted.
- vii) To approve training requests
Cllr McHenery to attend a play area inspection and a commuted sums course.

Two members of the public left the meeting.

217. Planning

- i) To consider planning applications received
APPLICATION NO: 26/01392/FUL
PROPOSAL: Construction of ancillary garden building
LOCATION: 6 Marston Road Tockwith North Yorkshire YO26 7PR
RESOLVED: No response.

APPLICATION NO: 26/01243/FUL
PROPOSAL: Demolition of Existing Buildings and Change of Use of Paddock to Storage Yard.
LOCATION: Revis Transport Ltd South Field Lane Tockwith North Yorkshire YO26 7QP
RESOLVED: The Parish Council has no objections.
- ii) To note all planning decisions received
None received.
- iii) To consider any planning enforcement related matters
None received.
- iv) To consider any other planning related matters
RESOLVED: To contact the planning enforcement team at NYC regarding the development surrounding the Pinfold Circle in Cowthorpe.

218. Neighbourhood Development Plan

- i) To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan
A Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee Meeting was held on 20th April. Two Community Engagement Days will be held, and a survey will be sent to all households. Cllr Warneken has arranged for NYC to produce maps of the parish.
- ii) To consider any proposals from the Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee

The Community Engagement Days will need financial support for items including printing surveys and promotional material. The Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee asked for a budget of £1000.

RESOLVED: To allocate £1000 to the Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee.

- iii) To confirm the Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee
The Terms of Reference were updated and discussed.

RESOLVED: To confirm and adopt the Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee.

219. Tockwith Together

- i) To receive an update from Tockwith Together

Cllr McHenery circulated a report in advance of the meeting (see Appendix 1).

220. Tockwith Sportsfield Trust

- i) To receive a report from the TWWPC representative on the Sportsfield Trust

Cllr Cumming circulated a report in advance of the meeting (see Appendix 2).

221. Tockwith Village Hall

- i) To receive a report from the TWWPC representative on the Village Hall Management Committee

Cllr Blake circulated a report in advance of the meeting (see Appendix 3).

222. Highways and Transport Matters

- i) To approve the design and placement and cost of the village gateways
The village gateways are proposed by NYC to be positioned on Tockwith Lane near the Sportsfield and on Marston Road.

The third has been proposed on Fleet Lane before the bend. County Councillor Paraskos to chase final details with NYC.

It was noted that some kerb stones in the village are broken or smashed. County Councillor Paraskos to report to NYC.

223. Public Open Spaces

- i) To receive reports on play and gym equipment inspections
Cllr McHenery circulated a report in advance of the meeting (see Appendix 4).

- ii) To consider the cost of a new street bin near the woods
NYC has installed a new waste bin. The cost was £500.

RESOLVED: To pay the £500 cost of the waste bin. An invoice is expected from NYC.

- iii) To receive an update on the community open space
Cllr McHenery reported that contracts are due to exchange. The Clerk reported that a quote is still outstanding for the vendor's solicitor fees.

- iv) To note the NYC grass verge cutting restrictions at Westfield Green
It was noted that NYC only cut certain verges to maintain visibility out of junctions. To be discussed at a future meeting. It was noted that this additional work has not been budgeted for in 2026/27.

- v) To consider action regarding the partially blocked footpath by Jodphurs

The footpath by Jodphurs has been partially blocked. Cllr McHenery to send details to County Councillor Paraskos.

- vi) To consider the installation and placement of interpretation boards

The location of the interpretation boards were discussed. The following were agreed:

- On the grass at Prince Ruperts Drive
- By the Stirling Bomber Memorial
- Near Berts Garden in Cowthopre

RESOLVED: To agree to the installation and placement of the interpretation boards.

224. Allotments

- i) To consider any findings from the monthly allotment inspections (Cllr Wright)
Cllr Wright reported that both allotments are in good order.
- ii) To note the completion of the refurbishment project at Church Row allotments
Noted. It was agreed that the area looks much better.
- ii) To note the complaints raised by Bridlepath allotment holders
Noted.

225. Future Footprints

- i) To receive an update on the Community Green Energy Project
No update received as a meeting has not been held.
- ii) To consider the request from Tockwith Community Energy to use the Village Hall's address
More information is required before a decision can be made.
- iii) To receive an update on the EV Chargers (Cllr Marsh)
Cllr McHenery circulated a report in advance of the meeting (see Appendix 5).

226. Media/Press releases

- i) To consider any matters for press release or community news.
Successful parish meeting. NDP Community Engagement Survey. New waste bin.

227. Correspondence

- i) To note list of correspondence received and circulated
Noted. Correspondence was received about trying to save the Alpacas café. It was noted that this is a private road and the Parish Council is unable to help with signage.

Two members of the public left the meeting.

To consider exclusion of the press and public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed (agenda item 199vii only). No members of the public were present.

The village hall car park was discussed.

228. Next Meeting

- i) To confirm the date for the next Parish Council meeting

RESOLVED: That the Annual Meeting of the Council will be on Thursday 28 May 2026.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:04

Appendix 1 – Tockwith Together

Tockwith Together: DLM 26.04.26 DNM 18.05.26

Key Points (minutes to be distributed at a later date).

- Litter picks going well, this months collection resulted in smaller than usual quantities being collected. **** Any update on No Littering signs (NYC?**) (Andy P?)**
- Letter written directly to Hallam Land
- Volunteers identified to help with S106 working group.
- NDP next actions discussed.

Appendix 2 – Sportsfield Trust

Below are the updates from the last Sportsfield Trust Meeting, which took place on 13th April 2026.

Repainting of the Clubhouse - The adult football team have volunteered to paint the upstairs room at the clubhouse as the quote they received was expensive.

Football - The Football pitches remain busy, with teams continuing to perform well.

Tennis - A tennis coach from Ruttorth attended the meeting offering to coach and provide equipment to support a tennis open day, the date is to be confirmed but likely to be sometime in May. This will be advertised on social media and also advertised on a leaflet.

Following on from last month, the Trust has agreed to register with the LTA, which will mean we can have a tennis coach to facilitate adult daytime social tennis/lessons and school taster and holiday club sessions.

The proposal to reduce hire costs for the MUGA pitch during off-peak times has been declined, the trust have agreed to offer the use of the courts for free to the school for taster tennis and for adult daytime social tennis until the sessions become profitable.

Bowling - The outdoor bowling season has started.

Petanque - There has been an enquiry from a member of the public who would like a Petanque court at the Sportsfield, the member of the public who contacted said that they have found some funding available, which would have to be matched to pay for the court. The trust has devised a flyer to gauge if there is interest in having a Petanque court.

Tockwith Together 'litter picking team' commented on how clean and litter free the football pitches were during a recent litter pick. The trust has also received compliments of how well the football pitches are maintained.

The trust is receiving more enquiries and bookings for hiring the clubhouse; however they need new tables, as they are currently using old style pub tables. They may put a grant application in to the Parish Council once they have the costs of the tables.

Appendix 3 – Tockwith Village Hall

Village Hall Developments

We have now received a quote from Energy Oasis for insulating the main hall and installing more efficient heating and a separate quote for solar panels (as an option). I haven't had a chance to review yet but my plan is to ask J&E Richards to also quote so we will have at least 2 quotes.

We believe doing this first before the car park & wall will be beneficial to the hall. I will hope to have a better update for the next meeting.

Tockwith Festival Event

The village hall is hosting a beer & burger bash on Saturday 6 June organised and run by Tockwith Festivals. Tickets will be going on sale early this week. There will be live music and we hope to have circa 200 people there.

Internal door

The internal door has now been fitted in the main corridor which is great, allowing the outer door to be kept open when users are in the hall, without letting the heat out of the building. Decorating will be done soon to neaten it all up.

Appendix 4 - Playpark inspections, equipment and Defibs

- Marston Road PP all fine.
- Drs surgery and PRD Defibs both OK.
- SFT outdoor gym
 - Old. One end cap on the 'ski movement' machine missing exposing the fixing screw.
 - Old. Sit-up eqpt has end cap missing
 - NEW – Top cap of pedal machine now missing (Picture to follow)
 - NEW Graffiti on 2 machines (pictures to follow)
- Berts Garden. All good.

Appendix 5 – EV Chargers

The income this month was £95.68.

We had a resident who recently asked to sign up for the resident-rate, which prompted me to update the instructions to go out on the resident flyer (I presume as a result of an update to the charging app).