

AMPLEFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN AMPLEFORTH VILLAGE HALL

ON WEDNESDAY 3 JULY 2025 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Councillors: Cllrs Nichola Nichols (Chairman), Antony Straszewski (Deputy Chairman), Kate Beck, Ed Carter

ALSO PRESENT: Nigel Knapton (Locum Clerk) & no members of the public.

25/106 APOLOGIES

There were apologies from Cllr Emily Slingsby. There were no declarations of interests.

25/107 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 JUNE 2025

Minutes had been previously circulated, and these were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

25/108 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

25/109 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr Mason was not present.

25/110 CLERK'S REPORT

- a. The work on updating the cemetery records had been started by the Chairman and the Clerk.
- b. Advice had been received from the stonemason that they were unable to turn the gravestone over so it would be left in situ.
- c. The creation of a cemetery landscaping and fencing plan was ongoing.
- d. A request for ownership information for a buffer zone on Station Road. The details had been passed on.
- e. The hosting of the local parish forum has been a success.
- f. The residents of Manor House would be informed that the Council wished the verge to be reinstated as it was before and that they did not wish to see HexPave used.
- g. The Station Road no parking sign had been received and would be installed by the Chairman.
- h. The Station Road footway overgrown vegetation had been reported to North Yorkshire Council.
- i. Funding for Neighbourhood Plans was to be withdrawn by MHCLG and therefore there would be no realistic opportunity to produce one.
- j. North York Moors National Park planning training would take place on 18 September 2025.

25/111 PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED

- a. ZE25/00516/CAT – Crown reduction of 1 hazel tree at St Benedicts Centre, Main Street for Tracy Swiers. **No objections.**

Approved Chairman

25/112 PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS

- a. ZE25/00272/HOUSE – Installation of external flue for log burner at 7 Mill Bank Lane for Jack Rushworth. Approved.

25/113 FINANCIAL, AUDIT & GOVERNANCE

- a. The following payments were agreed:

		£
MAH Garden Maintenance Ltd	Grass cutting	1,100.00
Defib Warehouse	Electrode pads & battery	342.00
Nigel Knapton	Parking Sign	14.99
North Yorkshire HR Solutions	HR Advice	1,440.00

- b. The following income was received:

North Yorkshire Council	50% Precept	£8,160.00
North Yorkshire Council	Locality Budget	£750.00

25/114 VILLAGE & MAINTENANCE

None.

25/115 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

None.

25/116 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no further correspondence requiring decision.

25/117 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

The double hedge from Station Road to Mill Lane had not been trimmed, it was now 9' high. The Clerk would contact Yorkshire Housing and recommend it be reduced to 3'.

25/118 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next full council meeting will be held on Thursday 4 September 2025 at 7.00pm

25/119 RESOLUTION

To resolve to exclude members of the public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the nature of the business to be transacted at item 25/105 being prejudicial to the public interest.

25/120 TO CONSIDER ACTIONS DURING EMPLOYEE'S ABSENCE

Due to the confidential nature of the discussion a separate confidential meeting minute was recorded.

The meeting closed at 8.01pm.

Approved Chairman