

Minutes of Barnoldby-le-Beck Parish Council Full Council Meeting
Held at St Helen's Church, Barnoldby-le-Beck on Monday 10th March 2025 at 7.00pm

01:03/25 Present: Chair – Cllr M Hood
Cllr J Bratton, Cllr S Thinnesen

In Attendance: Nicola Ashton – Clerk
7 members of public

Apologies: Ward Cllr D Hasthorpe, Ward Cllr H Hudson Cllr W McKenzie, Cllr F Chapman

Cllr Hood opened the meeting, welcomed all present and advised that the Chair was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Cllr Thinnesen proposed that Cllr Hood took the Chair, and this was seconded by Cllr Bratton.

02:03/25 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

a. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest recorded.

b. Dispensations

No Dispensations recorded.

03:03/25 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted.

04:03/25 Open Forum

Councillor Hood opened the public forum, advising that items on the agenda can be discussed, or added to the next agenda for discussion.

- Member of Public advised that they had received the report from NELC highways regarding the speed concerns and petition submitted last year. It was noted the 60 mph was not being reduced, and other options were identified for consideration. NELC Highways have advised that they will request this be on the next Portfolio Holders agenda for 25th March, however, could not guarantee this.
- Member of public advised that the report notes 6000 cars a day travel down the road and 60% are exceeding the 30 mph speed limit. Is there a cost issue with taking further action?

Cllr Hood advised that the issue the Parish Council have is that they are restricted in what they can do; the Parish Council are only a conduit in which to provide info to NELC and are constrained in actions we can take. Cllr Thinnesen advised she would like to attend the portfolio holders meeting, and Cllr Hood advised that the outcome of the meeting (if on agenda) would determine the Parish Council's response.

- Member of the Public asked the Parish Council if they would consider the reinstatement of the contribution to the Church for their use of the Church.

Cllr Hood explained that the contribution had stopped due to Parish Council finances, however, the Council were in a position to reinstate the contribution. This was proposed by Cllr Bratton and seconded by Cllr Thinnesen, with full agreement.

- Member of the public advised that the Pylon scheme was progressing with residents receiving leaflet notifying them of them surveying the land. Concern was expressed regarding the impact of these pylons on the land and business owners in Barnoldby-le-Beck, and that there was no way out from this.

The Clerk advised that nothing had been received by the Parish Council, to notify them of any consultations.

05:03/25 Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes from the Full Council Meeting on the 13th January 2025 were considered. Amendments were agreed to minute 12:01/25 recording the £4000 were maintenance costs that need to be raised not Quinquennial survey costs. Minutes were proposed by Cllr Thinnesen and agreed by Cllr Hood as a true record, and agreed by all Councillors present.

RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record of events.

06:03/25 Police Report

No report has been received prior to the meeting regarding incidents in Barnoldby-le-Beck.

Cllr Bratton advised that he was reporting illegal motorbikes on a daily basis.

Cllr McKenzies report from the Wolds Police Meeting 24th January 2025 was shared with those present.

07:03/25 Finance and Governance

To approve payment of accounts.

Website hosting costs	£143.86
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RESOLVED: All payments agreed and approved.

Standing Orders

It was noted by Cllr Hood that the standing orders were written for large councils, Cllr Thinnesen explained it was quite a detailed document to plough through. All agreed to adopt the reviewed policy.

RESOLVED: Standing Orders adopted.

Financial Regulations

It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting. Cllr Hood advised that sections 7.4, 7.6 and 8.1 need to be reviewed.

RESOLVED: Deferred to next meeting.

08:03/25 Planning

Planning Applications Approved by NELC

There were no items to report.

Planning Applications Discussed

DM/1053/24/FUL Grange Farm House, Waltham Road, Barnoldby-le-Beck

Change of use of house to staff accommodation, and change of use of an existing outbuilding / stable block to supported living accommodation along with some extensions.

It was noted that the Council had liaised together in order to send a response to NELC within the permitted timescale.

Member of the public advised that their business is impacted by the residency, and that they were concerned that the planning team will not join the dots with all the other issues that have been raised and the enforcement notices in place; this being EN0339/24 and EN0124/25.

Cllr Hood proposed that the Ward Councillors are asked to call the application into committee so it can be fully discussed. It was also proposed that the Parish Council make a further comment regarding the associated cases and ongoing actions.

Cllr Hood added that when residents put in objections to planning applications, they should try and send in different reasons and wording as then planning cannot dismiss the comments as repetitive or biased.

RESOLVED: Clerk to add further comment and contact Ward Councillors.

DM/0062/25/FUL – Milchester House, Main Road, Barnoldby-le-Beck

To erect rear single storey extension and alteration to existing single storey extension to include roof lanterns, creation of covered patio with roof light, external flue and associated works.

No objections were recorded.

Planning Applications for Information

No items to report.

09:03/25 Clerks Report and correspondence

a. Correspondence

No items to report.

b. Report from Town and Parish Meeting

Cllr Thinnesen shared the report from the Town and Parish Meeting on 23rd January 2025.

10:03/25 Pavements / Street Lighting / Highways / Rights of Way

a. Highways matters

Member of the public asked whether there were any plans for the road to be resurfaced within Barnoldby-le-Beck. Adding that the patchwork of surfaces created noise during the night.

Cllr Hood advised that when the current roadworks are completed, then a complaint can be made to NELC for reparation of the road. However, all resurfacing works are managed and planned by NELC; again noting that the Parish Council can raise the concern, but were only a conduit for information. The Parish Council has no power, no authority and no decision making powers, and concerns need to be raised with NELC directly.

b. Speed Petition

This has been discussed under Public Forum.

11:03/25 Village Projects / Improvements

Cllr Thinnesen advised that the planters on the front were less than spring ready, and the village would welcome some colour, and someone to come and cut back some of the grass, hedges and shrubs. It was asked if the Parish Council could spare any funds to do this.

Cllr Hood noted that the Council had discussed this in January and requested volunteers to take the tubs on. Agreed to put this message out again.

RESOLVED: Cllr Thinnesen to obtain 3 quotes for work to be considered at next meeting.

Member of the public raised issues with some residents leaving their bins on the main road. It was advised that they contact NELC who can take action if the bins are impacting the highway.

12:03/25 St Helen's Church

Cllr Thinnesen reported that there will be an Easter Service in April; dates and times to follow. There are also a plethora of fundraising events through spring, and 4 festival services booked for this year. However, there was a need for more volunteers to enable this space to be grown into a community resource.

Cllr Thinnesen advised that there is a bell ringing event on the 10th April for residents to come and learn more about bell ringing.

13:03/25 Future Dates

The next meeting will be Monday 12th May 2025 at 7pm at St Helen's Church. This will also be for the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual General Meeting.

14:04/25 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: The exemption of the press and public for the remainder of the meeting under the Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960, Section 1(2) on the grounds that the discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information.

- Clerks Wages / expenses – agreed to defer to next meeting.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7:47pm.

Signed:

Chair

Dated: