

# **WALKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 11 November 2025 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs R Burns, S Gibbs, M Gore, K Hearne, L Hewison, G Holdorf, C Howard, V Swann (Chair) In attendance: Ward Cllr Stewart, Clerk (A Thorogood), and four members of the public.

## 25.11.1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs R Fields and T Harrison.

## 25.11.2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Gore – Village Hall

Cllr Hearne – Village Hall Committee, Pond Committee, Sherwood & Waudby Trust

Cllr Howard – Playing Fields Association, Sherwood & Waudby Trust

Cllr Swann – Playing Fields Committee

Clerk – also Clerk/RFO for Cherry Burton Parish Council

Cllr Holdorf – Village Hall

Cllr Burns – Merehead development

## 25.11.3. Public Participation

Pond Committee: Concerns raised about dyke clearance and cleaning routines. Parish Council to seek written confirmation from Sam Barnes and request a diary of cleaning undertaken.

Sherwood Cottage (West End): Developer outlined proposals to retain and renovate the cottage frontage, extend to the rear, and construct an additional dwelling. Concerns raised about road visibility and affordable housing provision.

Village Hall Committee: Discussion on finances, charitable status, and future management. Volunteers remain limited; deficit budget noted. If unsustainable, responsibility may revert to the Parish Council.

Resolved: Public Participation Session closed.

## 25.11.4. Membership

Resolved: One co-opted vacancy exists on the Parish Council.

#### 25.11.5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved: Minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2025 were approved and signed by the Chair.

#### 25.11.6. Actions

Kingston Communications works resolved with minimal disruption.

Resolved: All other actions completed.

#### 25.11.7. Matters Arising

Resolved: No matters arising.

#### 25.11.8. East Riding of Yorkshire Council Matters

Sherwood Close repairs completed.

Concerns raised about drainage and parking at Risby Homes site.

Resolved: Sherwood Close repairs noted.

#### 25.11.9. Planning

Merehead Proposal: Drawings shared for three detached properties and three terraced alms houses.

Resolved: Planning updates received.

#### 25.11.10. Finance

Discussion on investment of funds into instant access and short-term savings accounts.

Resolved: Payments approved (Yorkshire Maintenance £71.78; Sherwood & Waudby £175.00; ERYC £59.39; Woodland Nurseries £175.00; LB Landscapes £500.00 + £500.00; Wages £522.00 + £130.96; All Hallows Church £3,000.00; HMRC £633.19 + £221.57).

Accounts to be opened: one instant access savings account and one one-month fixed account.

#### 25.11.11. Village Matters

Hawthorn hedge on Kirk Lane to be raised with Streetscene.

Solar lighting for footpaths to be investigated (approx. £3,683 per unit).

Road plannings offered free for path surfacing.

Fryers Copse posts confirmed as Parish Council responsibility.

Bus service noted (no Sunday service).

Winter safety concerns raised regarding children and cyclists.

Resolved: Hedge issue to be raised with Streetscene; solar lighting considered.

#### 25.11.12. Village Hall

Discussion on community use, promotion, and modernisation (Facebook page, online booking).

Parish Council supportive but cannot sign Memorandum of Understanding. £2,000 allocated in 2025/26 budget. Clerk to explore grant funding.

Resolved: Memorandum of Understanding rejected.

#### 25.11.13. Correspondence

Wold Trees to review trees.

Street repairs to be suggested as ERYC Scrutiny topic.

Survey request of Pot and Ladle Pit

Resolved: Correspondence received.

#### 25.11.14. Allotments

Resolved: Update received

#### 25.11.15. Delegations

Resolved: Update received.

#### 25.11.16. Development & Training

Resolved: Update received.

#### 25.11.17. Review of Actions

Resolved: Review confirmed and to be circulated.

#### 25.11.18. Future Meetings

Resolved: Next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 9 December 2025 at 7.00pm.

Signed:

9 December 2025