

BAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the annual meeting of Bavington Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th May 2025 commencing at 7pm in Great Bavington URC meeting room

Those present: P Acton (Chairman) R Taylor, P Ramsden, C Hogg, N Hodgkinson, W Westwood

In attendance: C Miller (Clerk)

2025/20 Apologies for Absence

All members were present.

2025/21 Election of Chairman

RESOLVED

Cllr Acton proposed and seconded as Chairman and duly elected.

2025/22 Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr Taylor proposed and seconded as Vice Chairman and duly elected.

2025/23 To receive Declarations of Acceptance of Office

Declaration of Acceptance of Office received.

2025/24 Declaration of interests by members regarding agenda items

There were no Declaration of Interests.

2025/25 Co-Option Vacancies. Members to consider applicants

Two vacancies were available. Three applicants were present and interested in being co-opted onto the council.

RESOLVED:

After consideration members co-opted Wayne Westwood and Nick Hodgkinson.

2025/26 Minutes of previous meeting held 6th February 2025

RESOLVED:

Members agreed that the minutes of the previous meeting held 6th February 2025 were a true record.

2024/27 Highway Matters

2025/27/01 Members to consider issues with trees on unnamed road to Great Bavington

Situation continuing with dead and dying trees.

RESOLVED:

Condition of trees to be monitored with further action to be considered at next meeting.

2025/27/02 Members to consider issues with cattle grids from village to B6342

Cattle grids continue to require cleansing / repair.

RESOLVED:

Clerk to report cattle grid repair, postcode NE19 2BH, via County Council website Fix My Street, and which is posing a danger to cyclists.

2025/27/03 Members to consider other highway matters, if any

Major resurfacing required in the parish. Areas to be considered at next meeting for inclusion on Local Transport Plan 2026-2027.

A large number of road closures were occurring due to road repairs.

2025/28 To receive update on Ray Wind Farm Fund

Free weekly service had been arranged to pick up at Kirkwhelpington. New funding pot of £400K available from June 2026 with contribution of £100K to be made to B4RN. A small legacy fund would persist past the 25-year term of the Ray Wind Farm Fund.

2025/29 To receive update on B4RN/B4NTR Broadband matters

Next installation phase would be West Woodburn. There were a lot of parishes from Kielder and beyond wishing to sign up to the service.

2025/30 Finance

2025/30/01 To approve payments

PAYABLE TO	DETAIL	NETT	VAT	GROSS
HMRC (retrospective) 2024-2025 Pd 22/4/25	PAYE. 24.4.25 Direct Debit	£64.20		
C Miller	Expenses	£12.90	NIL	£12.90
NALC	Annual subscription	£57.13	NIL	
Zurich Insurance	Annual premium	£196	NIL	

RESOLVED:

Members approved the payments.

2025/31 Planning

2025/31/01 Planning Applications received

No planning applications had been received.

2025/31/02 Approval of Planning Application received

No approval of planning application had been received.

2025/31/03 Divet Hill Liaison Committee

Current work involved moving topsoil. Bunding currently a mess, however it is anticipated this would be smoothed over. Next Liaison Committee meeting would commence with a site visit

2025/31/04 Kirkheaton Wind Farm lighting

Security lighting remains, however foil coverings had been installed to lessen brightness.

2025/32 Audit of Accounts year ending 31/3/25

2025/32/01 Members to consider and agree any matters arising from the report of the internal auditor

There was one matter arising from the internal audit report as follows - to continue to monitor reserves.

2025/32/02 Members to approve the Governance Statement

RESOLVED:

Members approved the governance statement.

2025/32/03 Members to approve the draft annual accounts year ending 31/3/25

RESOLVED:

Members approved the draft annual accounts year ending 31/3/25.

2025/32/04 Members to approve the accounting statements and explanation of variances

RESOLVED:

Members approved the accounting statements and explanation of variances.

2025/32/05 Members to approve the exemption certificate

RESOLVED:

Members approved the exemption certificate.

2025/32/06 Members to approve the public right of inspection dates 2nd June until 11th July 2025

RESOLVED:

Members approved the public right of inspection dates 2nd June until 11th July 2025.

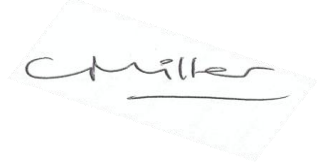
2025/33 Any other Urgent Business/Items for Next Meeting

There was no urgent business / items for next meeting.

2025/34 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Bavington Parish Council will be held on Thursday 7th August 2025 commencing 7pm in Great Bavington URC Meeting Room.

The meeting closed at 810pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Miller', is written over a light blue rectangular stamp. The stamp contains some faint, illegible text.

Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

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