



STAPLETON AND CLEASBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 14th May 2025

At 7pm, Cleasby Village Hall

There was a 10-minute public speaking session prior to the start of the council meeting.

Present:

Cllr R Leckie	Cllr C Vigors
Cllr C Mitchell	Cllr K Webster
Cllr K Pearson	Cllr L Heritage
Clerk S Perks	

1. Apologies

1.1 No apologies received.

1.2 To consider approval for the reason of absence.

2. Declaration of Interest

2.1 None received.

2.2 Applications for dispensation – none received.

3. Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 12th March 2025

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12th March 2025 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

4. Cllr A. Thompson NYC Report- none received.

5. North Yorkshire Police bulletin - received.

6. Matters arising from the minutes:

6.1 **Dog Fouling**- An update from the Clerk was received. It was agreed to purchase one bin from NYC with a sticker saying dog and litter waste, at the cost of £485 plus VAT to be sited at the Cleasby Lane/ Stapleton main road junction. **Action SP**

6.2 **Drainage, Cleasby**- An update was received. It was noted that it appeared the leakage had been resolved. It was agreed to ask Cllr A Thompson to get a report from Environmental Health Officer Clair Webber to confirm exactly what actions have been taken since her last report and that the issue is now resolved.

6.4 Kerbing of Cleasby village green- It was agreed to apply for grant funding and investigate the possibility and cost of only kerbing a section from the corner of the main road to where the driveway runs across the green.

Action SP

6.5 Repairs to Boathouse Lane, Cleasby – Cllr K Webster informed the parish council that Ian Beighton had been informed that the repairs to Boathouse Lane were unsatisfactory and not fit for purpose. He sent someone out to look at it, some further marks have been made to cover the full width of the road, but no further works have taken place as yet. It was agreed for the clerk to ask for an update from NYC Highways.

Action SP

7. Village greens

7.1 There were no new issues relating to the village greens to report.

7.2 A quote for providing an Arboricultural Assessment to the trees under ownership of the parish council was received.

7.2.1 It was decided to accept the quote of £480.

8. **Copper Tree, Cleasby**- A report was received. It was decided no action was required.

9. Heavy Goods Vehicles, Cleasby

9.1 An email from a resident raising their concerns at the size of vehicles travelling through Cleasby, especially Moor Lane was received.

9.2 The clerk contact NY Highways upon receipt of the email in 9.1 who were able to confirm the weight restriction is still in place from the quarry sign along the main road from Stapleton to Cleasby, through to the junction at Manfield, and from Wild Duck lane from the junction of the main Stapleton/Barton road to the junction at Cleasby. They also confirmed that is the Police who are responsible for enforcing the restrictions. NY Highways have reviewed the signage and recognise that hedgerow growth has made the sign invisible from the Stapleton/barton road junction with Wild Duck Lane, and that there is only one sign on the roadside. A works order has been raised to install a new sign on the opposite side of the road and the over-growth to be cut back. It was agreed to invite the police to our next meeting to discuss reporting misuse of the weight restriction.

Action SP

10. Financial matters

10.1 Bank reconciliation – A report from the Clerk was received.

10.2 Income and Expenses

The following payments were approved:

10.2.1 Robinson Bookkeeping- 3 rd & 4 th quarter	£50
10.2.2 CE & CM Walker- grass cutting – April	£360

10.2.3 Clerk's expenses £55.00

10.3 The following payments were received.

10.3.1 NYC Precept 1st Instalment £3,800.00

11. Planning - To discuss and decide a response to the following planning consultations.

11.1 Darlington Borough Council – seeking the parish council's views on an updated Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) Part 1 – Local Plans. This information was noted.

11.2 ZD25/00179/Full – Full Planning Permission for construction of a replacement agricultural building and associated works at High House, Cleasby. There were no objections to this application.

12. The below correspondence was received and considered.

12.1 NYC Parish Liaison April Newsletter

12.2 NYC Parish Liaison: Revenues and Benefits System Upgrade

12.3 NYC Parish Liaison: The North Yorkshire Local Plan-two online session- 15th and 19th May between 5pm and 6pm

13. Items for discussion at the next meeting.

- Community Speed Watch (CSW) for both villages
- Discuss relocating the Defibrillator.
- YLCA Membership

14. Date and time of the next meeting.

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as Wednesday 2nd July 2025, 7pm, Cleasby Village Hall, to suit councillor availability.