

STAPLETON AND CLEASBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 2nd July 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	PCSO Sharon Diamond

1. Apologies

- 1.1 Apologies were received from County Cllr Angus Thompson.
- 1.2 The reason for absence was approved.

2. Declaration of Interest

- 2.1 None received.
- 2.2 None received.

3. Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025

- 3.1 The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 14th May 2025 were agreed as a true and accurate record.
- 3.2 The minutes of the annual meeting of the parish council held on Wednesday 14th May 2025 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

4. To receive report from Cllr A. Thompson.

No report to receive.

5. To receive bulletin from North Yorkshire Police.

The latest Police bulletin was received.

It was agreed to move item 6.3 up the agenda as PCSO Sharon Diamond was present.

6.3 Weight Limit, Cleasby- The Chairman welcomed and thanked PCSO Sharon Diamond for attending the meeting. The PCSO explained that the police do have powers to enforce weight limits and confirmed that the weight limit in Cleasby includes an exception for access. This is difficult to monitor. In the case of Wild Duck Lane it could be there are vehicles using the lane that are over the weight limit, but it is likely they are using it for access as it is not a short cut to anywhere. Even if cameras were installed to enforce the

weight limit, they could not prove the vehicles do not have access. It was agreed that the signage should be checked to the entrance of Wild Duck Lane from the centre of Cleasby, and it was noted that North Yorkshire Highways have installed an additional new sign and cut back the foliage at the Stapleton-Barton Road entrance to the lane.

Action SP

6. To discuss any matters arising from the minutes:

- 6.1 Dog Fouling- It was noted a new waste bin for Stapleton is on order and agreed to apply for a grant from the Locality Budget to cover the cost.
- 6.2 Kerbing of Cleasby village green- An update from the Clerk was received. It was agreed to set a budget of £5000 to receive a revised quote for the descoped works to install granite setts to protect the worst affected areas of the village.

 Action SP and to contact NY Highways for updated list of approved contractors.

7. Village greens

- 7.1 It was noted that the village greens were being cut too often, and the prolonged period of dry weather is the probable cause. It was confirmed that the grass cutter contractors conduct bi-weekly cuts with a maximum of sixteen cuts per year from April to October.
- 7.2 The Arboricultural Assessment of the trees under ownership of the parish council was received.
- 7.2.1 It was agreed to ask for a quote for the works that are required to be undertaken in Stapleton. Cllr R Leckie will speak with a resident of Strawgate Lane to confirm ownership of two trees.

 Action SP/RL

8. Community Speed Watch Group

8.1 Setting up a Community Speed Watch Group (CSW) was discussed. PCSO Sharon Diamon was able to provide some information and suggested looking on the police website to request an assessment of the road in Cleasby to decide locations where the activity can take place.

Action SP

9. Stapleton to Barton Road - Deer issue

- 9.1 An email from a resident regarding the increase of Deer on the Stapleton to Barton Road, details of a recent accident, and request for Deer warning signs to be placed along this stretch of road was received.
- 9.2 It was agreed to request additional signage from North Yorkshire Council. Action SP

10. Yorkshire Local Council Association Membership

10.1 Information regarding the benefits of membership to the Yorkshire Local Council Association (YLCA) was received. It was agreed to sign up to membership of the association. Action SP

11. Financial matters

- 11.1 Bank reconciliation A report was received from the Clerk.
- 11.2 Income and Expenses. The following payments were approved:

11.2.1 Robinson Bookkeeping- first quarter 2025/26	£25.00
11.2.2 CE & CM Walker- grass cutting – May & June	2900.00
11.2.3 Clerk's salary- April, May, June	£508.12
11.2.4 HMRC- Employee Tax	£126.80
11.2.5 Ian Crisop Accountancy – Internal audit	£150.00
11.2.6 All About Trees – Tree Survey	£480.00
11.3 The following payments accepted.	
11.3.1 Barclays- interest, March to June 2025	£4.62

12. Planning.

- 12.1 ZD25/00346/FULL Full planning permission for replacement two storey extension and associated works: 2 West View Cleasby- It was agreed there were no objections to this application.

 Action SP
- 12.2 Decision Notice ZD24/00140/FULL Full Planning Permission for Demolition of Existing Bungalow and Garage, with the Replacement of a 4 Bedroom Traditional Dwelling with Detached Garage and Ancillary Accommodation It was noted this application has been **refused**.

13. The following correspondence was received and noted.

- 13.1 Email from resident regarding the condition of the pavement on Strawgate Grove
- 13.2 Email from resident enquiring about the position of the Defibrillator. Clerk to enquire about suitability and costs of installing mini posts to house a Defibrillator in both villages.
- 13.3 North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison: Parish Update May 2025
- 13.4 School Transport Action Group- Home to School Transport Report and Response
- 13.5 Email from a concerned individual Tynedale Roadstone Limited (MGL) Barton Quarry emissions breach.
- 13.6 Email from resident informing us there is a permit is available for the bus service that runs from Eppleby to Richmond School.
- 13.7 North Yorkshire Local Plan: Our First Conversation Update
- 13.8 Email from a resident offering to help with the website. It was agreed that only members should have access to the website.
- 13.9 Yorkshire Ambulance Service Defibrillator
- 13.10 North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison: Parish Update June 2025
- 13.11 North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison: Update on Call for Sites Map for Parish Councils

14. Items for discussion at the next meeting.

- Community Speed Watch
- Trees on Stapleton village green

15. Date and time of the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Wednesday 10th September 2025, 7pm, Cleasby Village Hall, with a ten-minute public speaking session prior to the meeting at 6.50pm.