

LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Langcliffe Parish Council Meeting held in the Langcliffe Institute on Monday 8th September 2025 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors present – H. Jarvis (Chairman), I. Johnson, S. Fleming, B. Croft, T. Todd, D. Staveley (North Yorkshire Council), A. Blackburn (Clerk), public present – one.

52/25. Apologies for Absence – R. Gledhill, G. Cross.

53/25. Code of conduct – localism Act 2011

To record any Councillor's dis-closable pecuniary interests in relation to any item on this agenda. To consider any change in member's register of interests and discuss any associated dispensations. – none received.

54/25. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 14th July 2025. Council resolved to approve the minutes, P – B. Croft, S – I. Johnson.

55/25. Matters Arising.

Ref:34/25 – The HSBC mandate is ongoing and the clerk would instigate the changes as necessary, it has not been possible to amend the full changes as yet because of holiday commitments. 50/25 – the faulty street lamp on Howsons Lane had now been repaired.

56/25. Public Participation – no items received.

57/25. North Yorkshire Councillor Report.

The report had been received and placed on the PC website.

Cllr Staveley reported that the road condition at the Hoffman Kiln site was being investigated in regard to pothole repairs.

The issue of toilet provision within North Yorkshire with the associated maintenance costs being a key consideration.

Road re-surfacing works on Duke Street in Settle had been discussed but with the old gas main being subjected to sectional replacement instead of the replacement of the whole gas main the road resurfacing has not been a practical solution. Hopefully the road will undergo the necessary work soon.

Cllr Staveley informed council that the holiday house on Lodge Lane has had its planning application re-submitted by the owner.

The issue of abandoned cars within the area should be addressed to Environmental Health if the vehicles could cause an issue due to decay.

Action – Clerk to investigate.

58/24. Planning Applications.

North Yorkshire Council Planning (Craven) – No new applications listed.

Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning

C/48/625 – Cowside Farm, Langcliffe – variation of condition 2 (Full planning permission, change of use and alterations to barns to 4 dwellings, creation of car parking, package sewage treatment), amended parking area & walls, internal layout of barn E, addition of solar panels to barns A, D, & E, installation of roof lights to barn E (retrospective).

Council considered the application and resolved to approve.

C/48/625H – Barn C, Cowside Farm, Langcliffe – change of land use from agricultural to residential in respect of barn C (retrospective).

Council discussed the application and resolved to approve.

Action – Clerk to submit to YDNP Planning.

59/25 – Financial Procedure Review 2025.

Council reviewed the regulation document as presented by the clerk and resolved to approve.

P – I. Johnson, S – B. Croft.

60/25. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment.

Council resolved to approve the statement as submitted by the clerk including:

- a) the trimmer maintenance costs as submitted by R. Lonsdale.
- b) the employers National Insurance cost of the Clerk's August salary, this had fallen within the National Insurance bracket because of the last HM Government budget changes.

Council expressed gratitude to R. Lonsdale for his commitment to the grass strimming and continued support for Langcliffe Parish.

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61/25. Correspondence.

The chair highlighted residents concern as to the vegetation overgrowth around the public telephone box adjacent to Cock House. The clerk informed council that BT had stated that they were to retain the telephone box for emergency calls because of the poor mobile phone signal within some areas of Langcliffe. Council were concerned that the box had not been receiving an adequate level of maintenance hence the vegetation overgrowth around it.

Action – clerk to liaise with BT in regard to a maintenance commitment.

A resident of Langcliffe volunteered to trim the offending vegetation back from the box to allow access, council thanked him for his assistance in this matter.

Police report

9 – reports including:– ASB nuisance/ ASB personal/ civil dispute.

17/07/25 – X2 crime violence/ domestic incident.

10/08/25 – animal concerns – sheep on railway line.

15/08/25 – firearms admin.

21/08/25 – concern for welfare – in order – no concern.

05/09/25 – civil dispute.

HSBC bank charges – nothing received prior to the meeting.

YLCA – Digital & data compliance 2026.

Notification received from the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations that from next year the annual governance documentation is to include a section regarding councils owning their own email account, this must be a gov.uk account.

Action – The clerk would investigate further to enable Langcliffe PC to comply with the forthcoming requirement.

Yorkshire Dales National Park Ranger Station

An invitation had received from the YDNP for the Langcliffe PC chairman to attend the opening of their ranger station. The chairman approved Cllr Todd to attend as the representative of the council.

62/25. Highways, Street Lighting, & Maintenance.

The Chair informed council that cars were still parking on the green when charitable events are taking place within the village, council to be aware.

Cllr Fleming highlighted that the dog waste sign fixing outside the Institute was broken.

Action – The clerk would investigate.

63/25. The date of the next Parish Council meeting – 13th October 2025.

Meeting closed 8.38pm

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