

South Milford Parish Council Monthly Ordinary Meeting Parish Councils Act, 1894

**Minutes of the ordinary meeting of
South Milford Parish Council at Grove House, Grove Crescent, South Milford
7.30pm on 19th May 2025**

Members of public and press are welcome to attend

1. Apologies and welcome all Councillors

Co-option of new Councillor – Ceri Carter – proposed Cllr Gore, seconded Cllr Shaw.

2. Declarations of Disclosure Pecuniary and Other Interests – none

3. To approve Minutes from the Ordinary Meeting held on 24th March 2025

Proposed Cllr Gore seconded Cllr Diamond.

4. Items for consideration and discussion - with proposals and votes where relevant

- **Funding requests**
 - **Replacing steps at the British Legion** – Michelle Brown to answer further questions and decision to be made on possible funding
Anthony Aldcroft attended on behalf of Michelle. After discussion, and general support to provide this funding from councilors, Cllr Tim Grogan agreed to contribute the required £500 from his NYC funding. The Chair thanked Anthony for attending and sent best wishes to Michelle and her family.
- **Highways – updates from Cllrs Grogan, Carter & McAleese after site meeting with Gary Lumb from NYC Highways to discuss various issues around the Parish**
 - **Wain Gap** – vehicles mounting new kerb and damage to verge opposite - **it was agreed this was working mainly ok, noting the verge opposite belongs to the landowners not NYC and no issues have been raised by them to date**
 - **Corner of Sand Lane / Low Street** - residents message about the collection of water/mud due to the dropped curb being below the drain. This is causing a thick sludge and could be a danger for pedestrians. **This drain and others around the village need cleaning, and also the kerb needs lifting as it is too low at the moment.**
 - **Reduced speed request Lumby Lane** – correspondence received from the residents to ask if the speed could be reduced to 40pmh if 30mph is not acceptable - **Clerk to write to Gary Lumb and ask if this is possible.**
 - **Temporary barriers at roundabout** – seeking clarification regarding how long the barriers will be there – **Gary is looking into getting the repairs done so the barriers can be removed.**
 - **A1 road safety** – reports of cars going up the old A1 the wrong way, signage needed - **New signage with lights to be installed, plus removal of bushes.**
 - **The Swan** - Gary also agreed to get a tree removed from the wall near the Swan and look at drainage in this area which could increase flooding risks
- **Any other Highways updates**
 - Yorkshire Green - traffic updates – **all ok**
 - Gas Main replacements on High Street - **works delayed**

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- o Bus routes - reports that buses are no longer going up Sand Lane and High Street - **Councilors believe buses are still running on this route and no complaints have been received.**
- o Public Footpath number 35/59/5 (running east from A162 near the railway bridge, to Common Lane) - Rail Crossing Extinguishment Order 2023 - **enquiry and decision expected later in 2025.**
- o Cllr McAleese to write a piece for social media about the footpath over the field from Grove House area to Old Quarry Lane.
- o Clerk to email Gary Lumb about formally classifying Old London Road as a bridleway.
- o Cllr C Carter to look at the planning with regards to the wall near the memorial cross on Old London Road.
- **Rubbish bin locations** - update from Cllr McAleese - **all done and ok**
- **Fly tipping** - speak to farmer re possible camera use - update from Cllr McAleese - **next meeting**
- **Neglected land** – complaints from residents regarding the area of land at the junction of the B1222 and the south bound entrance to the old A1 (raised by Newthorpe Parish Council but within our Parish boundary) – any updates? **Clerk to contact Newthorpe Parish Council to see if any updates.**
- **Park updates**
 - o Cllr G Carter thanked the Parish Council for their support on the Viking Fest with the supply of the toilets. It was a successful day, well attended and well received and a profit made.
 - o The moss & weed maintenance for the perimeter path has been added to the yearly schedule, approximately £500 - approved Cllr Gore, seconded Cllr C Carter.
 - o Clearing of the weeds, cutting back of hedges/bushes etc around the memorial stone, quote received of £295 - approved Cllr Gore, seconded Cllr C Carter.
 - o Clerk to contact our insurance to check if a full tree survey is needed for the insurance policy to remain valid.
- **Reviewing the Parish Council's standing orders** - Clerk to email the information to Cllr Diamond for reviewing and will report back at the next meeting.
- **Annual insurance renewal - needs reviewing by 1 June 2025** – Cllr Diamond offered to do this and report back to the next meeting.
- **Christmas lights - any updates and next steps** - Clerk to contact Nick of Leeds lights to get a price for the repair of the lampposts.
- **Allotments** - any updates from Cllr Shaw - **none**
- **Aeroclub** - any updates from Cllr McAleese – **none**

5. Planning – *This should include a brief list of all planning applications to be discussed.*

Cllrs to briefly outline the application and note any comments regarding the following applications:

- ZG2024/1317/FULM - Installation and operation of battery energy storage system (BESS) including energy storage units, substation, site access, landscaping and associated infrastructure
Land To The East Of, Rawfield Lane, Fairburn – no comments

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- *NY/2024/0200/FUL - planning application for the purposes of the Development of an Agricultural Anaerobic Digestion (AD) Facility and associated plant and equipment and soft landscaping on land at Agricultural land to the east of the A162 Home Farm, Bond Ings, Sherburn in Elmet, LS25 6FW*
 - *Discuss responses to objections and any further actions - **agreed that no further comments were required from South Milford Parish Council at this time, noting that we have formally objected to this planning application.***
- *Consultation re street name for development off Well Lane - **the council agreed to suggest Springwell Head***

Granted

- ZG2025/0309/HPA - erection of vehicular and pedestrian gates to driveway /front boundary 1 Post Office Row Sand Lane South Milford
- ZG2025/0147/HPA - erection of first floor side extension Ashton House, 112b High Street South Milford

Appeals

- App/u2750/d/25/3363239 – Stewards House, Butts Lane, Lumby
- App/u2750/d/25/3361774 – Stable Cottage, Butts Lane, Lumby

6. Finance - To consider and approve forthcoming payments to be made:

- Clerk stipend, HMRC paye
- Clerk reimbursement – defib pads for Lumby £89.80
- Shed Grounds Maintenance – £533.44 x 2
- NYC South Milford Cemetery (green bins) £224.40 (*agreed in previous meeting*)
- NYC Wain Gap kerbs £4,070.80 (*agreed in previous meeting*)
- YLCA membership £814.00
- Retrac - Toilet hire for park event £180 plus VAT (*agreed in previous meeting*)
- Selby Rail Users Group - membership fee - £30
- Clear Insurance Management Ltd - yearly cover £1,879.76
- Hammond Groundwork's Bund £24,372 (*agreed in previous meeting*)
- B Hooper – audit £160

Proposed Cllr Grogan, seconded Cllr McAleese, all agreed.

Yearly accounts completed – signed and ready to send off to Auditors.

7. Communications and Correspondence

Various correspondence from residents – Clerk/Chair to summarise and confirm replies have been sent where needed:

- National Grid – Yorkshire Green -E-newsletter
- Sheds updated public and employers liability insurance 25-26
- Cllr G Carter now Chair of Parks Committee
- Email to renew adult defib pads - Lumby
- NYC Notification National Grid Works Westfield Lane, restriction 25 days 5th June-29th June 2025.
- NYC precept 1st instalment

8. Date of next meeting July 2025