

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

**To the members of the South Milford Parish Council:
You have hereby been summoned to attend the next Ordinary meeting of
South Milford Parish Council at Grove House, Grove Crescent, South Milford
7.30pm on 22nd September 2025**

Members of public and press are welcome to attend

**Signed
Ann Rowling
Clerk to South Milford Parish Council.**

AGENDA:

1. Apologies and welcome all Councillors

2. Declarations of Disclosure Pecuniary and Other Interests

a) To receive disclosures by members of any disclosable pecuniary interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and any other relevant interests under the Members' Code of Conduct.

b) To receive and decide upon requests for dispensation to councillors to take part in discussions and votes where they have declared disclosable pecuniary interests.

3. To approve Minutes from the Ordinary Meeting held on 22nd July 2025

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

- **Light Valley Solar - proposed solar farm**
 - Update following close of consultation
 - Preparation for planning application submission - probably Q1 2026
 - Correspondence with key stakeholders
- **Funding requests**
 - **South Milford Primary School (PTA)** - funding for replacement shed for second hand uniform and other PTA resources – further information was requested.
 - **Little Free Library** – enquiry as to whether the Parish Council will fund a little free library
- **Park**
 - Proposal to replace some play equipment - funding for this, including CIL funds
 - Other updates
- **Memorial cross on London Road** - update from Cllr C Carter on land ownership, responsibility and next steps
- **Parish Council notice boards** - clean and tidy-up – update from Cllr G Carter

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- **Highways / footpath updates**

- China Palace development - proposed footpath and impact on vegetation
- Footpath Well Lane to Mill Lane – facebook and resident correspondence
- Verges on Common Lane – who is responsible? NYC
- Adoption of roads in the Southlands estate – any news from NYC or the Developer?
- Further statements from Planning Inspectorate - footpath no. 35/59/5 South Milford Rail Crossing Extinguishment Order 2023
- Gas Main replacements on High Street – start date 11 November 2025
- Stopping Up Order notice - Turpin Lane
- Email from resident asking to join the footpath group
- Any updates on issues previously raised with Gary Lumb of NYC highways

- **Litter bins**

- Request for litter bin in between BP garage and Common Lane
- Missing litter bin on Milford Road between The Swan and the train station

- **Parish Boundary** – Sherburn in Elmet town Council would like to discuss the southern boundary, which currently circles around the disused Gascoigne Wood Mine

- **Christmas lights** - any updates – email from Leeds Lights - they are starting to put up the lights from mid-September - we have informed them that we want all our lights up this year

- **Allotments**

- Annual insurance renewal - £387.20 - funding for this
- Other updates

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:

ZG2025/0798/HPA – Erection of single storey front extension

Location - 15 School Lane, South Milford

ZG2025/0854/HPA – Installation of extended vehicular access to enable additional car to be parked on driveway

Location - Weeland House, 69 High Street, South Milford

ZG2025/0757/FUL - Construction of an extension to the existing forecourt sales building

Location - Southlands SF Connect, Low Street, South Milford

ZG2025/0878/HPA - Erection of single storey front extension

Location - 42 Steincroft Road, South Milford

Granted

ZG2024/1317/FULM – Installation and operation of battery energy storage system (BESS) including energy storage units, substation, site access, landscaping and associated infrastructure
Location - Land to the East of Rawfield Lane, Fairburn.

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

- Clerk stipend, HMRC paye
- Clerk reimbursement – Wix £45.03
- Shed Grounds Maintenance – £533.44 x 2 (33022 & 33309), total £1066.88
- Sherburn & Village Community Library, difference in invoice, paid £777 should have been £804 – difference £27.00
- Playsafety Ltd - ROSPA inspection - £134.40

Parish Precept arrangements for 2026/27 – deadline for confirming precept amount is 31st December 2025.

7. Communications and Correspondence

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

- Resident asking if banners can be displayed around the village – SMPC no problems with this.
- A resident reported a dog in the Park. A reminder notice was put up by the Park Committee.
- Objections for Solar farm – all passed to Cllr's C Carter & Parkin.
- DWD – Ferrybridge Next Generation Power Station – Consultation starting Friday 5th September and closing 6 October 2025.
- Corp Affairs & Comm National Highways – informing us of vital works to upgrade the safety barriers on the A1 (M) junctions 42 and 43 (Hook Moor)
- Keir Mather MP – New phone signal survey

8. Date of next meeting November 2025