Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Great Ouseburn Parish Council on 21st May 2025 in the Jeff Gill Room of the Village Hall

Present: Councillors R. Jones (Chairman), K. Scott, G. Jackson

Clerk: J Merriman

2025/01 Councillor Grout was nominated to be Chairman by Councillor Jackson, seconded by Councillor Scott and unanimously elected Chairman in her absence. Councillor Scott was nominated by Councillor Jones and duly elected Vice-Chairman. It was **AGREED** that Councillor Grout would sign the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office at the next council meeting.
It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should book the Jeff Gill room for the forthcoming council meetings.

2025/02 An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting

2025/03 Apologies were received from Councillors Grout, Bainbridge, Wilkinson and County Councillor Warneken and reasons for absence approved. Councillor Jones wished to extend thanks to Councillor Bainbridge for carrying out the playground inspections.

2025/04 Declaration of Interests
a) There were no declarations of interest not already declared under the council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
b) No applications for dispensation were received

2025/05 The minutes of the meeting held on 16th April 2025 were confirmed and signed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

2025/06 No representatives were present from North Yorkshire Council therefore there was no report.

2025/07 **Clerk's report**

- The Clerk contacted the Land Registry to confirm that a new plan and a signed lease will be re-issued
- The Clerk sent Councillor Bainbridge's Register of Interests to Democratic Services and received confirmation of receipt
- The Clerk sent an email to confirm to the cricket club that the council would pay for the posts for the damaged fence

- The Clerk has arranged a meeting with James Mackman on Friday 16th May to review the AGAR and year end
- The Certificate of Exemption for PKF Littlejohn has been submitted and acknowledged
- Allotments 5 and 12 have been allocated, agreements signed and rents for 2025/6 paid
- Nigel Roskilly has been asked to deal with the elderberry tree

2025/08 The following financial matters were considered:

(a) Payments approved included Great Ouseburn Village Hall £36, Ainsty Drainage Board £1.80, Dave Meakin petrol £28.53. £337 YLCA membership, Nigel Roskilly £312.50, The Clerk £19.48 stationery, Joseph Lund £210 for trimming back the footpath edges and disposal of sods.

(b) The Bank Reconciliation was noted:

Balance Bfwd as at 09/04/2025	£ 16,006.49
Income	£ 8,452.18
Expenditure	£ 712.58
Balance as at 14/05/25	£ 23,746.09

2025/09 An email was received from Councillor Jones regarding a BMX track and it was **RESOLVED** that there is a need for further consultation to be considered at future meetings by Councillor Grout.

2025/10 An email was received from Councillor Scott regarding the Free Landing it was **RESOLVED** that Councillors Jackson, Scott and Jones would meet at 9.00am on 7th June to carry out the required works.

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should write a letter formally ending Mr Dwight's lease and contact the other lease holder to confirm the situation for this financial year. The payment for the pontoon will be reviewed at the next meeting.

2025/11 Planning Issues

a) Planning applications

Application No	Proposal	Location	Comments
DCPARISH 6.80.213.C.PBR 25/01446/PBR	Conversion of an existing agricultural building to a single dwelling	Land Of Church Field Lane Great Ouseburn North Yorkshire	**OBJECTS** – not in keeping with the landscape of the area, does not enhance the area is inappropriate and will cause traffic issues as it is a

			quiet lane. There is no public benefit.

b) Planning enforcements

Case Number	Location	Alleged breach	Conclusion
HGT25/00025/PR15	Land Comprising Field At 444278 462042 Branton Lane Great Ouseburn North Yorkshire	Potential non-compliance with developments external appearances advertisements and soil bund.	Stonebridge Homes seek to regularise this development via a planning application or return the land level to the original level

c) Planning decisions – no planning decisions were received.

2025/12 An email was received from an allotment holder, and it was **RESOLVED** that allotment holder 3 and allotment holder 5 would not have to pay for the first year as there is work required on the allotments. It was **AGREED** to investigate installing 2 water pipes with Yorkshire Water and repairing the pump.

2025/13 An update on the Co-option for the casual vacancy was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to appoint Jenny Ainsworth as Councillor, the Register of Interests will be sent to Councillor Ainsworth for completion to be returned to the Clerk to send to North Yorkshire Council.

2025/14 To sign the revised plan for the cricket club lease and agree the way forward. It was **RESOLVED** to move this item to June's agenda.

2025/15 The action log was received and updated.

2025/16 The date of the next meeting was agreed as 18th June 2025 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 20.36