

HAMBLETON PARISH COUNCIL
TUESDAY 1st July 2025 – ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

1. To receive apologies for absence – Cllr Sycamore

Attendees: Cllrs Graham, Thompson, Smith, Robinson, Squires, the Clerk and 2 members of the public

2. To record Declarations of Interest from members in any item to be discussed

NIL

3. It was resolved to approve as a correct record and sign Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting dated 3rd June 2025.

4. Matters arising – Regarding hedge at Sandy Lane/Marsh Lane junction. It was reported that minimal cut back had been completed and that Wyre Council had confirmed that it was OK. Cllr Thompson to verify. Concern raised re overgrown hedging on Shard Lane that had resulted in a near miss. It was agreed that the Clerk would raise the hedging issue with LCC.

Caravan parked on Swim school car park and blocking the pavement. Address of owner to be identified so that a letter can be sent asking the owner to remove the obstruction to the highway.

- 5. To discuss any Police related issues** It was reported that Police incidents in rural Wyre was relatively low and the majority were relating to shoplifting. There will be a Police presence at Hambleton Gala. PCSO's are carrying out Speed Checks throughout Wyre and they were going to hold a bike marking event.

Open Public Discussion

A member of the public attended the meeting to discuss issues with overgrown trees in a neighbours garden. It was reported that the roots had damaged a shared waste water/sewerage pipe in the neighbours garden. There were a number of potential issues with flooding, higher insurance premium and debris from the trees dropping in garden. It was agreed that the Clerk would raise the issue with UU and Cllr Robinson would discuss with the Tree Officer at Wyre Council.

A representative from Hugo's animal sanctuary attend apologising for the lack of a planning application, they were not aware that one was required but are now working with Wyre to produce an application. The representative gave background and answered questions and provided assurances on potential issues ie parking and animal security.

- 6. Climate Change** – A discussion took place regarding the potential for a fruit orchard on the park in the dog area. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact Treescapes to ask for advice regarding the suitability of the area.

7. Feedback from Meetings Attended

LALC Conference – The Clerk reported that she had attended the LALC Conference and agreed to circulate the provided slides.

Wyre LALC – Cllr Robinson reported that there was a poor turnout for the meeting, the following items were presented:

Introduction of Food waste collection by Wyre Council

The Wyre Planning Policy/Wyre Local Plan – the update included an increase in the number of new houses required in the area, also as Blackpool had very limited space for new builds it was likely that Wyre would have to take a bigger cut to absorb the Blackpool target.

Rebecca Huddleston attended to discuss Playgrounds at Poulton and Garstang

The YMCA contracts that were now out for tender

GP referral for isolation

Prosperity Fund

A discussion regarding SIL v S106

Discussion regarding the Council reorganisation – decision out by November, Population requirement 500K and new structure in place for April 2028

8. Village Flooding – Cllr Thompson reported that he had been unable to attend the recent Flood Forum but had sent a report. LCC admitted that there was a problem at Marsh Lane/Sandy Lane and work was due to be scheduled.

9. BKV/WIB –

- a. It was resolved that the future dates for litter pick and In Bloom/BKV Meeting Group for August 2025 were 19th August for the Litterpick at 10.30 am and 19th for In Bloom meeting at 7pm.

Cllr Squires left the meeting at 20.52

10 Bob Williamson Park

- a. It was reported that the Lengthsman had a list of jobs required on the park, no further updates at this time.
- b. It was suggested that the Council could potentially look at purchasing the rest of the park from Wyre Council. It was resolved to add to a future meeting. It was resolved that the Clerk contact Wyre Council re the accessibility issues with the park paths in the dog area.
- c. The Clerk reported that she had been successful in securing some additional hedging from the Woodland Trust, the hedging was to be provided free of charge.
- d. The Clerk reported that she had met with a Supplier to fix the young child area of the park and was awaiting a quote from them.
- e. It was resolved that the Clerk progress the Pond Survey for the 2 park ponds

11. Other

- a. To discuss any contributions for the Green Book for August 2025 – It was resolved that the Usual meetings be reported in the Green Book as well as a warning to take care when walking along Shard Lane as pedestrians can easily be knocked by wing mirrors along this stretch also details of the Defibrillator fund.
- b. To consider the impact of the new Co-op store on the Stoney Lane, Sandy Lane, Pauls Lane and Broadpool Lane junction and resolve any actions.
No new actions required at this stage
- c. It was resolved to delete this item and consider under the park orchard scheme.
- d. It was resolved that SPID Data – due to timing of this meeting SPID data could not be downloaded.

- e. The Clerk provided an update on the Defibrillators in the village, all were now up and running. It was resolved that a new bank account be opened to place any donations to be used for replacement items and/or new units.
- f. Christmas Lights switch on – a brief discussion ensued but it was resolved to defer this item to a future meeting,
- g. It was resolved that the Clerk include notice on Facebook, the Noticeboard and Green Book asking for interest in the Councillor vacancy

12. Finance

- a. It was resolved to pay the following Bills.

	Payee	Amount (£)	Ref
a.	Salaries Total	2,459.80	2526 – 12 2526 – 13 2526 - 14
b.	Easywebsites (DD)	27.72	DD
c.	Paint for Dog Stencil	19.94	2526 - 15
d.	Internal Audit	150.00	2526 - 16

It was further resolved to pay Cutts Lane for the village planting at £3,446.16 and John Thompson for grass seed purchased for the park £45.73.

- b. It was resolved to approve the Bank statements to acknowledge receipt of Interest to 5th June 2025
- c. It was resolved to accept the Bank Reconciliations (Monthly and YTD) as a true record of Hambleton Parish Council to 5th June 2025
- d. It was resolved that the Clerk commence the use of the newly opened Unity account to make Council payments. It was resolved that the Clerk transfer £40,000 from the Natwest Account to the Unity Bank account.
- e. The Clerk reported that the PC laptop did not support Windows 11 and that support for Windows 10 was to finish in October. It was resolved that the Clerk research potential replacements suitable for Windows 11.
- f. The quarter 1 budget was reviewed, no actions were identified at this time.

13. Planning Applications - to consider the following planning applications:

Application Number: 25/00547/FUL

Proposal: Proposed change of use of agricultural land to equine, to include private riding arena and attenuation pond

Location: Springfield House Ghants Lane Hambleton Poulton-Le-Fylde Lancashire

It was resolved that the Council had no objection to this application.

14. Correspondence

Nil

15. Next Meeting – Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 1st July 2025 starting time 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Chairman.....

Date

Press and Public Welcome to Attend

For Further Information – please contact the Clerk: Yvonne Walton

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