

# *Sowerby Parish Council*

## Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Sowerby Parish Council on Thursday 11th July at 7.30pm in Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall Annexe.

**Present:** Cllr M Robson (Chairman); Cllr P Bardon; Cllr T Beadle; Cllr Y Bowling; Cllr G France; Cllr S Hoyland; Cllr C Snowdon; Cllr E Storm and Cllr K Till.

**Also Present:** Cllr D Sladden, NYC and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

24/033 No Members of the Public present.

24/034 To receive apologies for absence and declarations of interest

**It was resolved that apologies be received and accepted from Cllr A Jackson and Cllr A Turner**

24/035 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 13th June 2024

**It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 13th be approved**

24/036 To receive report from North Yorkshire Police

No report has been received. Significant damage to cars happened throughout Sowerby and the police are investigating this.

24/037 To receive a report from North Yorkshire Council on items of relevance to Sowerby

- A report had been circulated by Cllr Sladden in advance of the meeting.
- Requests for CCTV had been received from residents and these had been forwarded to Cllr Sladden.
- Councillors were concerned that some information given to Cllr Sladden was incorrect and he will look into this.
- A leak which has been repaired on Front Street is still leaking. This will be reported again to NYC/Yorkshire Water.
- Grass along Topcliffe Road near Aldi has not been brought into a condition fit to be managed by the SPC contractor.
- An update on the drainage works on Topcliffe Road was requested.
- Cllr Sladden is lobbying for a community bus service to serve the Gateway and Sowerby.

24/038 To consider Planning Applications

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As a result of a recent application, discussion took place re air source heat pumps and it was noted that these can be installed under permitted development, subject to conforming with appropriate regulations.

24/039 Financial Matters

1. To Note Receipts
2. To Note and Approve Payments

**It was resolved that receipts be noted and payments made**

24/040 To update council on matters arising from minutes for information only

A response has now been received from Barrie Mason regarding the issues on Front Street.

24/041 To receive correspondence for information only

1. A question had been received regarding the Parish Council response to a planning application at South Terrace
2. Requests for CCTV following car damage on Sowerby Road had been received and passed to Cllr Sladden.
3. Overgrown verges on footpaths at Blakey Lane and The Ranch had been reported and passed to NYC.
4. Thirsk In Bloom is undertaking some work at Town End on 15th July and councillors are invited to join them.

Signed  
Chairman  
Date

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24/042 To receive reports from Committees and Organisational Representatives  
Cllr France noted the AGM of Town Hall Trustees that he is the Chairman for 2024/2025.

24/043 Any other business that may be legally discussed  
*Items requiring a decision will be placed on a future agenda*

Discussion took place regarding grass cutting in the churchyard. Cllr Robson had attended a meeting with the contractor and a representative of the Parochial Church Council. Individual damage should be reported to the contractor and will be addressed by their insurance company. The outcome of this was that Mr Walker had suggested that he would no longer cut the churchyard after 52 years. This is not a Parish Council matter and needs to be resolved by the PCC and contractor.

24/044 Next Meeting

**It was resolved that the date of next meeting is Thursday 12th September 2024**

The meeting closed at 20:22

## Appendix i Planning

### Decisions

ZB24/00128/ADV Application for advertisement consent WTSR Granted  
Land At York Road Thirsk

ZB24/01017/CAT Application of proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area WTSR Granted  
28 South Terrace

ZB24/01010/CAT Application for proposed works to trees in a Conservation Area WSTA Granted  
Sowerby House

ZB24/00883/FUL Retrospective application for construction of a wooden framed gazebo WTSA Granted  
41 Oak Drive Sowerby

ZB24/00974/FUL Partial conversion of domestic garage to ancillary accommodation WTSR Granted  
20 South Terrace

ZB24/01144/CAT Application to works to a tree in Conservation Area WTSA Granted  
Beech House Front Street

### Applications

ZB24/01135/CAT Works to a Horse Chestnut tree in a conservation area  
54 Front Street Sowerby

**Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see this application approved**

Signed  
Chairman  
Date