

Sowerby Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Sowerby Parish Council on Thursday 9th November 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 A Jackson; Cllr C Snowdon and Cllr E Storm.

Also Present: Two members of the public and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

23/075 No members of the public comments

23/076 To receive apologies for absence
No apologies for absence received.

23/077 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 12th October 2023
It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 12th October 2023 be approved

23/078 To receive report from North Yorkshire Police
No representative of NYP was present.

23/079 To receive a report from North Yorkshire Council (NYC) on items of relevance to Sowerby
An election has been called for the Sowerby & Topcliffe Ward and the statement of persons nominated has been published.
Drainage in Front Street is becoming an issue and causing standing water. The Clerk will report this to Highways.
An update will be requested from the new councillor, when elected, regarding the outstanding matters in the parish.

23/080 To consider Planning Applications see appendix i
It was resolved that the Clerk will feedback comments to the planning authority

23/081 Financial Matters

1. To Note Receipts

2. To Note and Approve Payments see appendix ii

It was resolved that payments be made and receipts noted

3. To consider a request for a donation to Thirsk in Bloom

It was resolved that a donation of £1,500 will be given to Thirsk In Bloom

4. To consider and agree the Parish Precept requirement for the financial year 2024 2025

It was resolved unanimously that the precept for 2024 2025 will be set at £115,000

23/082 To note that the Parish Council will advertise for co-option to fill the casual vacancy

It was resolved that the Clerk will advertise the vacancy with a closing date of 31st December 2023

23/083 To update council on matters arising from minutes for information only

- 23/067 The Clerk wrote to NYC Electoral Services which noted SPC concerns and advised that this process would be reviewed

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- 23/070 1 Some ideas had been received from St Oswalds church but these were not in line with SPC expectations and will be reconsidered
- 23/073 2 The Clerk will write to the NYC Officer regarding the bus route
- All highways related matters had been reported to NYC Area 2 Highways and no further updates had been received

23/084 To receive correspondence for information only

1. A letter from a resident regarding the works to trees on Front Street has been received. SPC has to be guided by the tree specialists and planning officer and these works were carried out as per advice and approval.
2. A notification of the National Joint Council Pay Award which will be implemented
3. Water is standing in an area on Front Street where it seems that an area of footpath has sunk. The Clerk will report this to NYC Area 2 Highways
4. A quote had been received for the works to trees at World's End following an assessment of ash dieback. 12 trees are affected and the advice received suggest that this be completed as soon as possible. This will be an agenda item at the meeting in December. Appropriate replacement trees will be put in place after this work is completed and Councillors will have a site meeting to establish if there are other improvements to this space that can be undertaken.

23/085 To receive reports from Committees and Organisational Representatives

No updates received.

23/086 Any other business that may be legally discussed

Items requiring a decision will be placed on a future agenda

Yorkshire Water work is taking place but residents have not yet been informed. The Clerk will write to Yorkshire Water to request this.

23/087 Date of next meeting

It was resolved that the date of next meeting is Thursday 14th December 2023

The meeting closed at 20:15

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Appendix i Planning

Applications

ZB23/01939/FUL Application for the construction of a gatehouse
Worlds End Turkey Farm, Ox Moor, Plantation Lane, Sowerby, YO7 1FA

It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see this application approved

ZB23/02127/FUL Change of Use from Agriculture to Equestrian and Installation of new Riding Arena
OS Field 6152, Ox Moor, Plantation Lane, Sowerby, YO7 1FA

It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see this application approved

ZB23/02131/FUL Installation of 14 solar panels, 9 to the main roof and alterations to existing approved carport for the addition of 5 solar panels
93 Front Street, Sowerby, YO7 1JP

It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see this application approved

ZB23/02234/RPN Application for notification of a larger home extension to form living and dining spaces
9 Hazel Wood Crescent, Sowerby, YO7 3FQ

It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see this application approved

ZB23/02169/FUL Temporary use of land for the siting of 76 storage containers for up to 3 years.
Land West Of Gateway House, Cedar Road, Sowerby

Discussion took place regarding this application and the permission already granted for an industrial unit on this piece of land. This application is for 76 units which are lower and on a smaller footprint than the previous application.

It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see this application approved but wish to be reassured that the landscaping and bund will be put in place prior to the installation of the containers