



**Minutes of the Monthly Council Meeting of Huntington Parish Council held on Wednesday 15th
 April 2026 at 7:15 pm**

PRESENT:	Councillor D. Geogheghan-Breen (DB) – Chair, Councillor D. Jobling (DJ), Councillor S. Jobling (SJ), Councillor J. Willis (JW), Councillor M. Cook (MC), Councillor M. Duncanson (MD), Councillor N. Addison (NA), Councillor K. Orrell (KO), Councillor T. Mossop (TM) and Lorraine Frankland (LF) - Parish Clerk/RFO
APOLOGIES:	Councillor G. Russell (GR) and Ebony Frankland (EF) - Deputy Clerk
CIRCULATION:	To attendees, apologies and other all members of the Parish Council
MINUTES PREPARED BY:	Lorraine Frankland
DATE (Draft):	01/05/26
DATE TO BE APPROVED:	20/05/26

ITEM		ACTION
26-27.1.	<u>To Note Apologies for Absence</u> Councillor J. Willis (JW) and Ebony Frankland (EF) offered their apologies No apologies received from Councillor S. Phoenix (SP) <u>It was resolved</u> to approve all apologies and reasons for absence. No apologise received from SP	
26-27.2.	<u>To Note Declaration of Interests</u> i) <u>To Receive Declarations of Personal, Prejudicial or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (not previously declared) on any Items of Business</u> Non received	
26-27.3.	<u>To Consider Business from Members of the Public</u> - A resident has fallen after tripping on a raised cover near the Post Office, MC to send photos to LF for reporting to CoYC. - LF has been contacted about repairs to the school clock, however now that the school has become an academy, its status as a private company raised question about whether it was now lawful for the parish to pay for capital repairs, LF to clarify with YLCA.	MC,LF LF
26-27.4.	<u>Minutes: To Approve the Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting held 18/03/26</u> The minutes of 18/03/26 were approved as a true and accurate record of said meeting signed and dated by the Chair.	
26-27.5.	<u>Policing and Security Matters</u> i) To Note NY Polices update in regards to Crime figures Crime figures have been circulated and noted It was noted that Theft and ASB has almost doubled within the parish, and that Parish Council has never met the PCSO who took at the beginning of 2025, his predecessor attend must meetings and was able to give a short update of Policing within the Parish. LF tasked with writing to express the Parish Councils concerns	LF

Type of Incident	Time and Location.	Huntington Report made and action taken by NYP	Total calls for Month
ASB- Nuisance	The Range	1 x incident	
	Vangarde	2 x incident	
	McDonalds - Monks Cross	1 x incident	
	Monks Cross 7/2	Group of youths causing a nuisance in the area	
	Cineworld 7/2	Group of youths causing a nuisance in the cinema. They keep leaving then returning	
	Pizza Hut - Monks Cross	1 x incident	
	Cineworld 18/2	Youths causing a nuisance, they stole a bag of Skittles and have now left. CCTV available	
	Monks Cross	3 x incident	
	Cineworld 20/2	Youths causing a nuisance, disrupting the screenings.	
	Stow Court 23/2	Youths causing a nuisance in the area, knocking on doors and running away	
	Monks Cross P&R	2 x incident	
	Stratford Way 25/2	Youths causing a nuisance in the area, knocking on doors/windows and running away	
	Stratford Way 26/2	Youths causing a nuisance in the area	17
ASB- Personal			0
Burglary	Mulberry Court 22/2	Unoccupied property broken into - sometime in last 4 months - entry via smashing glass on back door. Nothing of value stored at the house, but not sure if anything has been taken.	1
Drugs			0
Vehicle			0
Theft	Monks Cross	5 x incident	
	Tesco - Huntington Rd	4 x incident	
	Vangarde 6/2	Theft of bespoke bicycle wheels. Q177 Electric Mountain bicycle	
	The Range	2 x incident	18
	Aldi	2 x incident	
	Vangarde	2 x incident	
	Sainsbury	1 x incident	
	Vangarde 28/2	Theft of backpack from Café Nero. Possible CCTV	
Violence	Monks Cross P&R 23/2	Altercation between 2 groups of youths. Possible CCTV	1
Criminal Damage	Monks Cross 7/2	Group of youths being abusive to staff, knocking manequins over	2
	Carmock Close 12/2	Car damaged whilst parked in the street	

ii) It was noted that there had been incidents of ASB to the rear of the Centre

26-27.6.

Finance and Policy Issues:

i) To Note Monthly Bank Reconciliation Report

Noted

ii) To Approve Invoices Presented for Payment

INVOICES PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT 15 Apr 2026				
AVG	DD	PC security software AGAP1682850481		84.99
CAY	Bacs	Citizens Advice Outreach Q4 Jan-Mar 26		1,382.16
HCC	Bacs	Room Hire Jan - Mar 26		391.00
Park Lane	Bacs	Inv 3118 1 bay DDA swing Garth Road		6681.60
Viking Direct	Bacs	Stationary Inv GB-VK-803041401W		488.93
Welmed	Bacs	Inv I294151 (batteries & pads)		367.97
Welmed	Bacs	YAS Order Form 2025 V2		56.30
Tesco Mobile	DD	Apr		37.98
YLCA	Bacs	Inv 6050 Membership		1530.00
HMRC	Bacs	PAYE		2243.15
Yorkshire Bank	Bacs	Bank Charges Apr 2026 not available to view online		0.00
Staff Costs	Bacs/	Salaries & Pensions		4,931.29
TOTAL EXPENDITURE				£18,195.37
INCOME:				
John Cliffe	Bacs	Cemetery gates Feb, Mar	0	
Naurin Fatima	Bacs	Income Tax Feb, Mar	0	
Ebony Frankland	Bacs	Cover of Cemetery Clerk Feb	0	
Cashback	Bacs	Seed Card Payment	2.68	
New Earswick	Chq	1/3rd Cemetery payment	1526.02	
CoYC	Bacs	Double Taxation rebate	30135.65	
Virgin Money	Bank	Gross Interest 08/04/26 statement 270	201.55	
				£31,865.90

Checked and approved by: Councillor M. Duncanson

It was noted that YAS Order form 2025 V2 may not hold the correct price and that once the batteries are ordered the cost maybe higher it was **Resolved** to pay any additional cost for this item as the supplies cannot be purchased elsewhere

It was **Resolved** to **Approve** all other invoices

iii) To Note Current Financial Situation

Noted

26-27.7.

Huntington Cemetery Committee**i) Update on the management of the cemetery (clerks report)**

MD gave an update on the Cemetery;

- There has been seven interred ashes and one burial.
- They have installed shelving within the garage to store stakes and netting
- They have disposed of equipment (which needs removing from the Asset Register)
- Someone has dugged a container which looks as though it contains engine oil CoYC have been contacted to take it away as a hazardous material
- Grass cutting has resumed
- There is a leaky outside tap, however Barratts have been contacted as they are responsibly for it at the moment
- MD is meeting the tree surgeon to inspect the ash trees
- MD and FoHC are looking at the state of repair of the benches
- The Topple TEST is still outstanding as, there has been no feedback to requests from the Whiterose request or from contacting companies other than the one who undertook the last round of test and they are now based on Monks Cross it was **Agreed** that; LF would contact them about undertaking the work
- It was **Agreed** once a date for the work is undertaken that an advert will be place in the York Press and online on the website and Facebook, together with placing a notice in the Parish Noticeboards

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ii) To Note Current Financial Situation

- There remains £223,548.00 in the bank

26-27.8.

Asset Management**i) Open Agenda Item for Community Centres/Halls to present a report**

- a) Huntington Memorial Hall
 - They haven't had a meeting.
- b) Huntington Community Centre
 - DB to share the minutes of the meeting once they are received
 - There is just over £12k in the bank.
- c) Orchard Park Community Centre
 - They held a meeting on 16/03/26
 - A local resident is running a community Day at Orchard Park on 24th May 1pm – 5pm with funding from the Ward
 - The two Easter events were very successful
 - There remains £23k in the bank (£1k of which is for summer activities)
 - The wall that backs on to the property at the end of Alexander Avenue has suffered considerable damage from the Russian vine or mile a minute plant (*Polygonum baldschuanicum*) planted in the owners garden, DJ & SJ have tried to speak to the owners about this but they have failed to engage, It was **Agreed** to **Resolved** to communicate with the owners stating that the wall will be removed and to give them 28 days' notice, it is anticipated the work to remove the wall and replace it with palisade fencing within the next three months.

DB

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ii) To Receive Reports from those Councillors who have nomination rights to Outside Bodies:

- a) Huntington Sports and Social Club
 - The new picnic tables are in place, and Councillors are invited to go and look at them in situ.
 - The Aqua clubs storage unit has been clad and looks much better
 - They are to discuss the issue of parking on North Lane especially on match days, at their next meeting on Tuesday
- b) River Foss Society
 - TM has been chasing an update following the January meeting which he was unable to attend.

- c) Yorkshire L.C.A.
 - The next meeting is in June.
- iv) To Receive Ward Update
 - Ward councillors attend the Easter event at Orchard Park which was very busy
 - The link road, to Brich park is going to have the cycle lane reinstated
 - The issues with planning enforcement at Manor House is going to Judicial review, this is the owners last opportunity to have their enforcement overturned.

26-27.9.

Planning and Green Belt Issues

- i) To Consider Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held on 18/03/26
Considered
- ii) To Consider any further Planning and Green Belt issues
Non - raised
- iii) Management of Green Spaces
 - LF informed Councillors that; the area along the riverbank had had alternating 30m stretches of the bank strimmed back to reduce the encroachment of bramble/nettle, whilst leaving the 30 m areas in between to provide habitat, and that next year the reverse will happen to allow some ground cover but preventing it to get out of control
 - LF had checked the report of residential encroachment along the river bank and could find no evidence of anyone trying to land grab, however there was evidence of a home owner removing their hedge, possibly to replace it with a different boundary solution and they they/their contractor have cut down two elder trees and a diseased cherry which are on parish land, this may have been to gain access to the leylandii which have been removed, however the cuttings have been dumped on the parish owned river bank. LF to write to the owners to remind them to remove the cuttings and to explain that it is not acceptable to cut back any trees on parish land, and if they have any concerns about parish trees they must contact the parish council.

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26-27.10.

Amenities

- i) To Note any issues with regard to Street Cleaning
Non - raised
- ii) To Discuss any other Issues relating to General Maintenance of Huntington Parish
LF & DB to check possible boundary infringement at Drakes Close
- iii) To Note any Footpaths, Highways and/or Traffic Issues
CoYC are in the process of repair some of the potholed road off New Lane
- iv) Gala 25/07/26
Committee to meet after Full Parish

26-27.11.

Parish Council Administration Issues

- i) To receive the Parish Clerks report
LF informed Councillors that; there is a young person working with FoHC whilst doing their Duke of Edinburgh award
- ii) To Note Dates for Diary: Planning Meeting 29/04/26 Amenities Meeting 05/05/26, Finance & Policy 08/06/26 and Cemetery Meeting 09/06/26, 15/09/26, 08/12/26, 09/03/27
- iii) Training
The YLCA training courses were noted and councillors are encouraged to attend were applicable.

26-27.12.

To Confirm Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Monthly meeting of Huntington Parish Council to be held Wednesday 20th May 2026 after the Annual Parish Council meeting at 7.00pm in Huntington Community Centre, Strensall Road, Huntington.

Meeting closed at 8:26pm