

Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Osmotherley on Thursday 17th September 2026

1. **Present:** Mr B Robinson (Chairman), Mr P Howlett (Vice-Chairman), Mr S Blythe, Mrs C Nozedar, Mr M Read, Mr M Laverick, Mrs M Kay and Mrs A Atkinson

Apologies were received from: Mr N Ward and NYC Representative Cllr D Hugill for work related reasons; Mr T Sillars and Mr T Wood for personal reasons

2. **Minutes of the meeting of 23rd July 2026 were approved and signed by the Chairman.**

3. **Public Forum**

A representative of the Environment Group attended to observe proceedings

4. **Matters arising:**

4.1 **Items not on the agenda**

The Clerk updated the council on the following items not on the agenda:

- BR agreed to contact the Head Teacher of Osmotherley to discuss the issue of home to school and to liaise with DH.
- MK agreed to investigate further the possibility of housing a defibrillator at the Kirby Sigston Village Hall.
- The Chairman passed a copy of a completed petition from residents wishing to see a bus stop at the top of Clack Bank. The Clerk agreed to pass this onto Passenger Transport. CN asked the Clerk to determine whether the bus stop at the foot of Clack Bank was still in operation.
- It was agreed not to pursue amending the white lines on School Lane at this time.
- PH confirmed that he has asked neighbour's on South End to cut back overhanging shrubs.
- The road surface on the entrance to the village on West End is scheduled to be resurfaced soon.
- A community group organizing the Angel10 functions presented a written request for a PC contribution to the scheme. After discussion it was agreed that the organiser be asked to confirm how and what our contribution would be used to fund and should this be acceptable the Chairman was given agreement to authorise a donation of £250.

4.2 **Police matters**

The police report from 1st July to 31st August 2026 was circulated to all councillors to discuss the following incidents:

Violence Against the Person: 1

4.3 **Highways**

The Clerk updated members on the proposed work to roads in the area over the coming weeks. The Clerk confirmed that damaged kerbs were reported to Highways on Clack Bank/Clack Lane, which have been repaired and also on Quarry Lane, which are yet to be programmed.

4.4 **NYC Representative Report**

DH presented the circulated report and highlighted the following:

- NYC have an overspend of £10m in the first quarter to identify savings to offset

- Home to School transport mapping has been reviewed

4.5 Village Assets

Work to the play area has been undertaken by the contractor to repair equipment ahead of this years RoSPA inspection. More still to do but great improvements undertaken.

The disabled sink tap is broken at the public conveniences and a replacement sought.

4.6 Constituent Reports

Members from the other areas in the Parish were asked to raise any issues pertinent to their areas.

- PH raised concerns expressed to him over poor parking around Back Lane which had resulted in oil deliveries being refused. It was agreed to put a comment in the Messenger asking residents to be more considerate when parking at both ends of Back Lane.
- MK and AA raised concerns over the use of the field at Scholla Grange. It appears to be used as a temporary dumping ground. Following discussion it was agreed little could be achieved in raising concerns to the planning authority at this time.

5. Correspondence

Most correspondence is now electronic and is forwarded when received so Members can therefore raise concerns or comments by email to the Clerk should it need to be an agenda item. These items will only be minuted if they are discussed at a meeting.

- A resident asked for confirmation on the PC's Village Plan to which the Chairman has replied and whether a Biodiversity Policy would be completed. It was agreed that the Clerk draw up a new Biodiversity Policy and pass this onto the Environment Group for comment;
- An invite to councillors to attend a local screening of the People's Emergency Briefing film on the threats to British life from ongoing damage to nature and to our climate to be held in the Village Hall on the 9th October 2026 was discussed and circulated

6. Planning.

a) Applications

6.1 34 South End, Osmotherley - variation of condition 2 (material amendment) of planning approval NYM/2024/0812 which permitted the conversion of buildings to three holiday cottages with decking, bin storage and parking to allow changes to the design of windows, partial infilling of open barn to provide storage facility, proposed exterior refuse and recycling store and oil tank – **Support**

6.2 Shoemakers Cottage, South End, Osmotherley - Listed Building consent for construction of replacement chimney – **Support**

6.3 43 North End, Osmotherley - Listed Building consent for removal of existing oil tank and boiler and installation of Air Source Heat Pump – **Support**

6.4 Clack Cottage, Clack Lane - non material amendment to planning approval NYM/2023/0049 to allow an increase in height of garage to 5 metres – **Support**

6.5 Sowerby House Farm, Sowerby under Sutcliffe - Construction of a free range egg unit and associated infrastructure to include 4no car parking spaces – **No Objection but concerns over environmental impact**

6.6 High Lane Farm, Kirby Sigston - Construction of One Agricultural Worker's Dwelling and Associated Curtilage - **Support**

b) Decisions

6.7 Proposed Ground Floor Extension including Internal modifications - Oaktree Farm Bullamoor Road - **Granted**

7. a, b and c Accounts

The Clerk reported the up-to-date financial position of the council updating the accounts from the last meeting in July. The monthly bank reconciliation was agreed and supported.

Income reported at last meeting	£9,821.46	
a) Receipts in the period:		
Electronic Honesty Box	£3.94	
Honesty Box	£489.00	
Summer Games	£600.00	
Newslettewr Advertising	£744.00	
Nortern Electric wayleave	<u>£12.21</u>	
Total income for the period	<u>£1,849.15</u>	
Revised 2026/27 income to 31st August 2026		£11,670.61

Expenditure reported to last meeting	£8,545.41	
b) Payments in the period:		
Printroom - July newsletter	£117.00	
Community TM Ltd - Summer Games traffic management	£720.00	
Sam Turner & Sons - toilet consumables	£13.48	
Holly Enisz - June/July toilet cleaning	£210.00	
J.Robinson - Expenses	£61.49	
Pearson Groundcare - June grasscutting	£990.00	
E-On Next - Toilets	£100.93	
1 & 1 Internet	£27.70	
Service Charge	<u>£14.00</u>	
Total expenditure for the period	<u>£2,254.60</u>	
Revised 2026/27 expenditure to 31st August 2026		£10,800.01

c) Funds:

Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)	-£405.45
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting	<u>£32,387.81</u>
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting	£31,982.36

Represented by:

Balance of Unity Trust a/c 31st August 2026	£31,982.36
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Invoices for Payment:

Holly Enisz - toilet cleaning August	£120.00	
J.Robinson - Salary	£851.35	
HMRC	£213.00	
Printroom	£125.00	
PKF - External Audit	£252.00	
Osmotherley Village Hall - June meeting (rejected July)	£11.00	
Sam Turner & Sons - toilet consumables	£17.83	
J.Robinson - Expenses	£105.40	
Inside Outside Services - Repairs & Maintenance	£610.00	
Pearson Groundcare - July/August grasscutting	<u>£1,100.00</u>	
		£3,405.58

8. Any Other Business

MR asked that council review the burial fees at the next meeting.

The Clerk confirmed that the Remembrance Sunday arrangements were in hand.

The Clerk confirmed that he had received a request from the NYC Rural Housing Officer to attend next meeting to discuss the situation around housing need and delivery of affordable homes in the locality.

9. Press Items

It was agreed that the approved minutes be included on the website and a summary of the discussions at this meeting be included in the next available Messenger newsletter.

10. Date of next meeting :

The meeting of the Council will take place on Thursday 15th October 2026 in the Village Hall, Osmotherley at 7:30pm prompt.