

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL Meeting held on Monday 21st October 2024 At Leeming Village Hall, Leeming

Parish Councillors: Cllr M Curry (Chair); Cllr C Capel (Vice-Chair); Cllr K Temple; Cllr O Robinson;

Cllr A Bowes; Cllr F Stead;

County Councillor: Cllr. J Weighell

Clerk / Others: S Nicholson (Clerk); 3 Resident.

Meeting Chaired by: Cllr M Curry

Item Ref 24/25	Item Details	Issues	Action	
59)	Welcome and Apologies	No apologies required.	Resolved	
60)	Public Session	A resident stated that the parking throughout the village is getting bad, especially outside the primary school.	See item 66.4 below	
61)	Declarations of Interest	None declared	Resolved	
62)	Minutes & Matters Arising	To receive and discuss: 1. Minutes from meetings dated 16 th September 2024	The minutes were read, agreed, and signed. Proposed by: Cllr FS Seconded by: Cllr AB	
		Matters Arising There were no matters arising that was not on the agenda.	Resolved	
63)	Parish Matters 1. Councillor issues	To discuss and consider 1. Councillor issues Cllr KT stated she had tried to get residents from Exelby to come forward and volunteer as a council representative, but no one was willing. The Chair stated that if the parish did not get representatives the County would intercede, and the parish would be governed by people who did not know the area. The need to find new councillors must be a priority.	Accepted as a priority action by everyone to try and find another representative.	

	2. Clerk issues	2. Clerk issues Councillors advised the urgent need for a new parish laptop as the originally was over 10 years old and not fit for purpose. A quotation had been received from WJPS. There was a discussion on the need to get more than one quotation. However, due to the urgency of the request and less than £1K this was deemed not necessary	Agreed Clerk to implement action for new equipment.
64)	External Reports	To receive and discuss reports:	
		 Police Report No criminal activity reported within the parish. The Clerk stated she was still in contact with the police about the parking issues. North Yorkshire Council Reports 1. Cllr Weighell expressed his concerns 	See Item 66 3 & 4
		over the delays within the NYC Planning processes. This was due to departments merging and the loss or relocation of key personalities within that Department.	Resolved
		 Cllr Weighell gave the Parish Council an update on the pending Boundary changes, and that there were no proposed changes of Divisions in this parish. 	Resolved
		Questions: Can Cllr W comment on the use of a 4 th Bin / Waste disposal? Answer: Still under consideration.	Resolved
	Question: Can Cllr W comment on where any Food Waste was likely to go? Answer: Local authority site not the one in Leeming village.		Resolved
65)	Financial Matters	To consider, discuss:	
	This month's payment details provided by the Clerk.	The payments details that had been provided to councillors were all agreed and signed by the Chair.	Approved
	2. To consider and discuss the 2025/26 PRECEPT.	2. A budget for 2025/26 and a recommended increase Precept to £17000 from £14500 had been sent to councillors to consider prior to the meeting. An increase was deemed required to ensure the parish did not go into deficit.	Increase agreed unanimously by all the Parish Councillors

	3. Previous months accounts	September monthly account agreed and signed off.	Agreed
	4. Transfer of Funds	The Clerk suggested a £5K transfer to the saving account from the Current account.	Agreed
66)	Parish Concerns	To consider and discuss:	
	1. Facebook Page	Cllr FS stated still on-going.	On going.
	Bridle Paths – Leeming and Londonderry	NYC Paths have stated all three issues are still under consideration.	On Going
	Parking in Leeming causing obstruction and safety issues.	The clerk confirmed that the Police had been notified but a satisfactory response not received.	See below.
	4. Speeding / Chicanes for Leeming	4. The Chair stated that the use of the VAS had made a difference to traffic coming into the village from Leeming Bar, but the issue now was speeding vehicles going out of the village towards Londonderry. The 60mph road from the A1065 to then 30mph is a problem. Due to the on-going concerns about vehicles speeding through Leeming village, with residents and councillors wanting to express their views on how this could be resolved, the Chair requested that everyone researched possible ways to resolve the issue and would be discussed again next month.	Clerk to ask police to attend the next meeting to try and resolve the issues on what is acceptable parking on pavements and speeding issues. On Going
	5. Planter – Exelby Village Green	The Clerk requested the residents name to write and thank for the offer of the donation of the planter.	Resolved
	6. Buses to and from Bedale / Leeming	6. Request Passenger transport to consider our proposal that passengers from Leeming / Londonderry to Bedale are able to have time to shop in the town before returning on public transport.	Agreed Clerk to send information to passenger transport.
		Cllr KT also requested that passenger transport was advised that children are being dropped off from school buses in the middle of the road rather than at the bus stop. This is a serious safety issue.	Agreed Clerk to send information to passenger transport.
	7. War Memorial – Cleaning	Laural has been trimmed and cleaning still required. Another company that may be able to assist was suggested	Clerk to resolve asap.

67)	Planning	To consider and discuss:			
		 ZB23/00923/FUL Awaiting Decision The Chair stated that she had been advised by Planning that this application was still on hold because they are waiting for an assessment from Highways and a Noise assessment. ZB24/00589/FUL Awaiting Decision The Chair had been advised that a Sound 	On Going		
		Level Environmental Assessment had concluded that it was unlikely this application would be approved because a number of health issues around noise and residents being unable to open windows for ventilation.	On Going		
		 Solar Farm Awaiting application Details Cllr JW stated that the application was likely to be via Firby Parish not Bedale. The current issue is at Tunsall which is hitting the current local News headlines. ZB24/01632/TPO Application for work on a TPO Tree Two Acres House, Roman Road, Leeming Split Decision (TPO). Details on the North Yorkshire website 	On Going		
		North forkshire website	Resolved		
		Councillors informed Cllr JW that they were still very unhappy that Planning are agreeing to changes in applications and these are not being submitted to the parish for consideration. The parish is being advised that these are minor changes to the application but in some cases, this is not the case.	Cllr JW was requested to refer this back to Planning as previously requested by the parish.		
68)	Policies	To consider and discuss:	Agreed		
		 Councillors Interest Log / Declaration Form Publication Scheme 	Agreed Minor changes still required to sign off next month.		
		3. Privacy policy	Agreed		
69)	Highways	To consider and discuss: 1. Highways England Issues Emergency Exit parking & Crash Barrier issues – Leeming The Clerk stated that she had not received a response this month.			

		The Chair suggested another letter to the RAF station requesting they informed all personnel that are parking on Dere Road at the front of the crash barriers that Highways England have stated they would not be responsible for damage to cars parked there should an accident require entry at that point and the cars would simple be removed without notification. The parish also feels that the MOD would also be interested in personnel who do not complying with safety issues around the local bases.	Clerk to draft letter to RAF Leeming Commandant and forward draft to Chair and Cllr KT for approval / changes On Going
70)	AOB	 Christmas Tree for Exelby Green. Confirmed by Cllr KT that Liability Insurance was still in place for the event. Could we put the condition of the Dog Bin that is on Roman Road be added to the next agenda (OR) 	Approved Agreed

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed by Chair:		
Dated:		