



FYLINGDALES PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 19 August 2026
Methodist Church Rooms, Fylingthorpe

The Chair welcomed all those present at the meeting.

MINUTES

NO.	ITEM	ACTION
1 Attendance	Present: Cllrs Watkinson, Wall, Sutterby, Kemp, Micklewright, Gibson Apologies: Apologies were accepted from Cllr Whitesmith. The Chair extended the Council's best wishes to Cllr Whitesmith. <i>The Chair welcomed Councillor Pearson (NYC) and five members of the public.</i>	
2. Declarations	Cllr G Kemp declared an interest in item 6b.	
3. Minutes	The minutes of the meeting of 15 July 2026 were approved as a true and accurate record.	
4. Matters raised in public consultation	a. During the public consultation period, Cllr Kemp, as the applicant for planning application FL/2026/00307, made a representation in respect of the application under the Council's public participation arrangements. b. A member of the public mentioned the handrail on Middlewood Lane was broken. Clerk to contact NYC.	Clerk
5. Matters arising from the minutes	a. <u>Flooding on the cinder track – Cllr Watkinson</u> Cllr Watkinson updated that Whitby Active Travel has now contacted NYC regarding the issues on the cinder track including the flooding and it was now awaiting a response NYC regarding the remedial works required. No action but keep on agenda. b. <u>Cycling safety issue Cinder track/Middlewood Rd – Clerk</u> This was chased but no response yet. Clerk to chase again and reiterate that a barrier is preferred rather than signage. Clerk to contact NYC again. c. <u>Noticeboards – Cllr Watkinson/Cllr G Kemp</u> Cllr Kemp had updated that PP was not needed if noticeboards were kept to a certain size. It was agreed that only one noticeboard is now required outside the shop and the current one in situ would remain but pass to the shop to manage for the community. Cllr Watkinson had discussed with RHBTA Chair and proposed that RHBTA share with the PC to leave dedicated space available for community use. RHBTA to discuss at their next meeting on 2nd September. d. <u>Memorial for the late Dick Hoyle – Cllr Watkinson/Cllr Wall</u> Site visit carried out but no further action until contractor returns to work in December. e. <u>Dark Skies Policy – Cllr Kemp/Clerk</u> Cllrs Watkinson and Sutterby met with a member of NYC and it is possible to direct the lights downwards to reduce light pollution. Waiting to hear back following further discussions with tenants. f. <u>Woodsmith Parish Council Neighbourhood Fund – Cllr Watkinson/Clerk</u> The grant funding has been successful and £4,000 has been received. This will be a separate budget and is ringfenced for the approved projects. The replacement noticeboards will come from this fund.	Clerk

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	g. <u>Cottage names – Cllr Sutterby</u> This is a nationwide policy. Cllr CS to contact NYMNP to ask what they will be doing to protect the integrity of the traditional cottage names within the conservation area. Cllr Watkinson agreed to assist. c/f h. <u>.gov.uk – Clerk/Cllr Wall</u> The Clerk has attended the webinar and is now to progress with Cllr Wall. i. <u>Maintenance and Inspection contracts for the Play Areas – Cllr Watkinson/Wall</u> Cllr Wall had contacted NYC who carries out this function now in other areas so will arrange further discussion and a quote. One quote had been received from a playground equipment supplier which only covered inspections. j. <u>Fish Box refuse bins – Clerk</u> Adrian Fusco was present and explained the limitations with regards to the location of the bins due to health and safety. NYCC owns the land and supports the bin location. These trade bins are locked, and Adrian is arranging signage to discourage the public from leaving rubbish adjacent the bins. Disposable wooden forks are frequently littered in the play area and Adrian agreed to arrange for staff to check the area daily and litter pick these as required. This is much appreciated by the Council.	Cllr CS/CW Cllr Wall/Clerk Cllr Wall
6. Planning	a. LB/2026/00292 and HP/2026/00307 – Cliff Head – Replacement door – No objections. Cllr Kemp withdrew from the meeting before consideration of the following item and took no part in the Council's consideration or decision. b. FL/2026/00307 – Farsyde House Farm – No objections. Cllr Kemp returned to the room. c. FL/2026/00314 – Foulisyke Farm – Flat field creation (retrospective) – Objection based on environmental grounds due to being uncertain about the nature of the infill and concerns about possible contamination.	
7. Standing Items	7.1 Play Areas - a. <u>Updates</u> i. It was confirmed by Cllrs Watkinson and Wall that the weekly inspections had been completed as normal. ii. Replacement bolts for Logwood Swing – on order iii. Rubber grommets to protect nuts and bolts (RHB): These have still not been received. Cllr Watkinson had contacted Playscheme again. iv. Willow boat maintenance – c/f v. Basket Swing (Thorpe): See 7.b.ii. vi. Toddler swing – Bolts have been ordered. vii. Rubber joint protectors – quote for replacements requested. b. <u>Weekly checks (RHB):</u> i. The basket swing has been removed until it can be reinstalled properly. ii. There is graffiti which will be removed by Cllr Wall iii. The lighthouse has been roped off on 19/8/26 due to uncleanliness. Clerk to arrange clean as a matter of urgency. c. <u>Weekly checks (Thorpe):</u> i. Graffiti on a bench which will be removed. ii. One post and rope has been removed from the rope pull equipment since the post was rotted. iii. There are increased wasps near the willow boat but no nest. This will naturally decrease as it cools and after rain. Cllr CS to arrange for the willow to be cut back and rewoven when the wasps have gone. iv. Many of the posts in the 'stone' circle are split and dangerous. It was agreed to remove these and review a future location for a similar installation.	Cllr DW Cllr CW Cllr CS Cllr DW Cllr DW Cllr DW Clerk Cllr CW Cllr CS Cllr CW

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	v. Three compliments had been received regarding the playground facilities and cleanliness. 7.2 Toilets – repair carried out to money slot. Additional equipment has been purchased to clear jams in future. 7.3 Defibrillators – The checks are due in September. Cllr Whitesmith to lead. 7.4 Memorial Benches a. Inspection and maintenance contract – Cllr Watkinson - Mark Laycock is happy with a 3 year contract with an annual inflation uplift. Cllr Watkinson to progress b. Allocation of benches – all but one previously offered bench has been accepted. Benches to be installed early next year. Updated procedure c/f 7.5 Allotments – the fees are due soon. The clerk to work with Cllr Whitesmith to progress. c/f 7.6 Website – Don't Spark Disaster campaign added. Clerk to arrange admin rights to enable quicker updates as needed. Standing orders need to be uploaded - see item 8. Other policies to be uploaded. c/f. 7.7 Kingston Field – Friends of Kingston Field meeting needs to be arranged for October. A separate Kingston Field Trustees meeting is also required. Encroachment fees to be collected in September.	Cllr PW Cllr CW/Clerk Clerk Clerk/Cllr PW Clerk Clerk
8. Policy Review	It was resolved to adopt the amended Standing Orders and Code of Conduct policy. Clerk to update website.	Clerk
9. Updates from Committees	Nothing to report.	
10. Report from County Councillor	Cllr Pearson gave an update on: NYC's new Gull Strategy which involves new gull proof bins on the coast. East Barnby Outdoor Education Centre – It has been agreed that this is closing. There is nothing similar on the coast. NYMNP Local Plan – The process for this has just started and there is a 'call for sites' for development. See website for further information on the local plan. Whalebones in Whitby – These are due to be removed, cast in bronze and reinstated. They are due to be removed in September and replaced in the new year.	
11. Police Report	No report received this month. Clerk has emailed to chase this.	
12. Correspondence	a. Motorhome parking in residential streets and car parks. A discussion took place about the increase in vehicles and concerns raised regarding reduced parking space availability, disposal of grey waste and cooking on the roadside. Cllr Wall and Clerk to progress and contact NYC with regards options to stop this practice. The gate at Lingers is permanently opened and this has also encouraged Motorhome parking. The land is not highways. Cllr Sutterby to investigate further.	Cllr DW/Clerk Cllr CS
13. Financial matters	a. Closing Current Account Bank Balance 31st July 2026 £28,231.10 Closing Savings account Bank Balance 31st July 2026 £45,086.83. b. Financial Report: Councillors accepted the financial report (previously circulated) c. Bank Reconciliation: Councillors confirmed the bank statement. d. Bank Mandate – This is ongoing. The clerk is now a signatory. Cllrs CW/LG/CS to check if all the correct paperwork is completed.	Cllr CW/LG/CS
14. General Expenditure	The following accounts were approved for payment. a. Huttons – gate post fix - £80.00 b. Amazon – batteries for toilet doors - £9.99 c. Healthmatic – toilet door - £578.54 d. Huttons – General grounds maintenance works from VW Legacy fund – £880.00 e. Kompan – carousel spinner repair - £1,425.79 f. HMRC – P32 - £142.40 g. YCLA – Clerk Induction training - £47.00 h. YCLA – RFO Induction training - £37.60	

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	i. Timpsons – toilet key - £9.00	
15. Matters requested by Councillors /Clerk	a. <u>Camping in the playground – Cllr Watkinson</u> Cllr Watkinson explained that this had happened in July. It is not legal to camp in a playground and since the current signage was deteriorated, it was agreed that no camping and no cooking were included on the new signs. Cllr CW/Clerk to progress. b. <u>NYMNP- Local Plan – Cllr Watkinson</u> This was discussed under item 10. c. <u>Albion Rd bin store – Cllr Sutterby</u> explained the issues with significant waste being dumped here including chairs and trade waste despite the best efforts of staff to keep it clean and tidy. The matter of trade waste is in hand. Cllr Sutterby to monitor.	Cllr CW/Clerk Cllr CS
16. Date of next meeting	Wednesday 16th September 2026, 7.00 pm at Wilbury, Mount Pleasant South, RHB.	
17. Confidential items	Councillors resolved to exclude members of the Press and Public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to enable the next items to be discussed confidentially. a. <u>Former toilet block store</u> - Adrian Fusco did a presentation on future usage of the leased storeroom. Cllrs support the proposal in principle and will contact NYC (the owners) for initial support subject to final plans, planning permission and negotiation of a future lease. b. <u>Update on GDPR complaint and proposed minute amendment –</u> Two members of the public requested, and it was agreed, to be present for this item. A discussion took place regarding this matter. It was confirmed that there had been no data breach. It was agreed that the agenda and minutes for the March meeting would be amended to state that the 'the balance of pay to the former clerk is available to councillors.' c. <u>Update on ICO feedback from 2025 complaint</u> c/f to next meeting due to time restraints.	Cllr DW Clerk/Cllr CW

The meeting closed at 9.05

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