Dunnington Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of Dunnington Parish Council held on Monday 12th October 2026 held in The Tower Room, St Nicholas Church starting at 7:00pm

Present: Cllrs Ruston (Chair), Anderson, Dykes, Jackson, Kay, Rowley, Rees-Gay, Shaw, and Yeoman.
In attendance: Georgina Berry - Parish Clerk, Sophie Durham – Clerk, Mark Waters – Ward Councillor and five members of the public.

PRELIMINARIES

PC 26/10/1 - Formalities

1.1 **Apologies** were received from Cllrs Bachelor, Ford, Major, and Thompson.

1.2 Attendees were reminded of the Council's policy regarding audio/visual **recording of meetings**.

1.3 There were no **Dispensation** requests.

1.4 There were no **Declarations of Interest**.

1.5 Council **welcomed** the new clerk, Georgina Berry, to the council.

PC 26/10/2 - Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th September

RESOLVED: *The minutes of the meetings were formally approved by the council and were signed by the Chair as a correct record.*

PC 26/10/3 - Exclusion of the Press and Public.

RESOLVED: *To exclude the press and public for the consideration of confidential business under Items PC 26/10/8 and PC 26/10/9.*

7:08 Cllr Kay arrived.

PC 26/10/4 - Public Participation

There were five members of the public who spoke about agenda items PC 26/10/7.1 and PC 26/10/7.3.

PC 26/10/5 – AGAR conclusion

Council noted the report from the external auditor.

PC 26/10/6 – Playpark

The play park group asked for more time to make their recommendations.

ACTION: *The play park group will make a budget recommendation at the next finance meeting.*

PC26/10/7 – Resident Concerns

7.1 Eastfield Lane – Council discussed the building concerns.

Action: *Council will keep an eye on the ongoing works.*

7.2 Field Surveying on the village – Council had no new information on this but will respond to information as it comes.

7.3 Any other Village concerns – A concern was raised over a tree on council land damaging a resident's private property. Council have previously had advice from three different tree surgeons who advised that the tree was not the cause of the damage.

ACTION: *The clerk will write to the resident with some options to move forward.*

7:53 Georgina and Sophie left the room.

PC 26/10/8 - Staffing

8:04pm Georgina and Sophie returned.

PC 26/10/9 – Budget 2027/28

Councillors discussed the draft budget. Cllr Dykes proposed to accept the budget as it stands but allow for an adjustment once the recommendations from play park group had been received.

RESOLVED: *Council unanimously agreed to accept the current draft with the play area pending.*

PC 26/10/10 – Village Cross

Councillors discussed the Village Cross. There was no significant update to report.

ACTION: *Cllr Dykes will review the CCTV and chase CYC for their quote for the repairs.*

PC 26/10/11 – Assets of Community Value

A decision on the ACV application from City of York Council has been deferred until they have received legal advice.

PC 26/10/12 – Village Phone Box

12.1 Painting arrangements

12.2 Perspex panes

Council discussed the project. The clerk advised there is a specialized website for the restoration of telephone boxes and that the project can likely be done for around £150. Council agreed that the job should be deferred until the summer.

ACTION: *1. Cllr Bachelor to check the electric connection to the box. 2. The clerk will gather quotes for the project.*

PC 26/10/13 - Village Green

13.1 Council discussed the replanting of a tree on the Village Green. It was noted that a self-seeded horse chestnut has begun to grow in place of the old tree but that it will take several years to grow.

RESOLVED: *Council approved the purchase of a new Horse Chestnut tree up to a cost of £500.00*

13.2 Electricity supply to the village green

ACTION: *Cllr Dykes will follow this up.*

PC 26/10/14 – Noticeboard

Council considered the request for a new noticeboard solely for the use of the In Bloom group. Council felt there were enough noticeboards in the village.

RESOLVED: *Council will offer In Bloom the use of half the parish council noticeboard on York Street.*

PC 26/10/15 – Village Pantomime

Council discussed the proposal to hold a pantomime for Christmas but felt there was not enough time to organise it now.

RESOLVED: *Council will not hold a pantomime for the village.*

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PC 26/10/16 Highways

It was noted that there had been an objection to the Church Lane restrictions proposal. The application needs to go to the Executive Member for Transport for a decision. This will not be until November or December.

ACTION: *The clerk will request the meeting date.*

PC 26/10/17 Quotes and Payments

17.1 The council received the quote for a Christmas tree and installation before the meeting.

RESOLVED: *The council approved the payments of £884.00 for the tree and £300 for the install.*

17.2 ***RESOLVED:*** *Council approved the payments due.*

PC 26/10/18 - Planning matters

Council considered the below planning applications.

RESOLVED: *The clerk will lodge councils' comments with City of York Council.*

Application Reference	Address	Proposed works	Deadline for comments	Comments
26/01725/AGNOT	Undergate Farm, Dunnington YO19 5QJ	Erection of an agricultural barn		No comment
26/01720/FUL	8 Greenside Walk, Dunnington, YO19 5RQ	Single storey side/rear extension.		No comment.

Decisions: Council noted the decisions made by City of York Council.

Application Reference	Address	Proposed works	CYC comments
26/01315/FUL	33 Springbank Avenue Dunnington York YO19 5PZ	Single storey rear extension and first floor rear extension	Approved
26/01301/FUL	3 Thornbeck Dunnington York YO19 5JZ	Conservatory to rear	Approved
26/01336/FUL	1 The Copper Beeches Dunnington York YO19 5PU	Single storey side extension, removal of car port and replacement of 1no. Window	Approved
26/01385/FUL	Dunnington Methodist Church	Change of use of Dunnington Methodist Church from place of worship (use class F1) to retail (use class E).	Approved
26/01481/TCA	55 York Street Dunnington York YO19 5ST	Reduce 2no. Conifer Trees by 2 foot - tree works in a Conservation Area.	Approved

Council noted the following applications which are either ongoing or with enforcement.

Application Reference	Address	Proposed works	Decision
26/01435/TCA	9 York Street Dunnington York YO19 5PN	Fell 1no. Willow - tree in a conservation area	
26/01421/FUL	Former 25 Garden Flats Lane Dunnington	Variation of condition 2 of permitted application 21/01420/FUL to alter to alter access arrangements to plot 2	
26/01502/FUL	Sledmere Crossing Stamford Bridge Road Dunnington	Single storey front extension and new brick boundary wall	
26/00555/FUL	Church Street Dunnington YO19 5PP	Erection of 1no. dwelling to side and extensions to existing dwelling – Amendment	APPROVED with conditions
	Church Street Dunnington YO19	Proposed Amendments to Traffic Regulation Order	
25/02052/FUL	Dunnington And Grimston Sports Club Common Road Dunnington YO19 5PA	Amendment to Planning Application	
		Public Restricted Byway Dunnington 28 Modification Order	
	A166	Unauthorised encampment	With enforcement
		HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 119 Diversion Dunnington	

PC 26/10/19 Date of Next Meeting: Monday 9th November – 7:00pm – The Tower Room, St Nicholas Church.

With no further business, the meeting closed at 9:00pm