

BAGBY AND BALK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Bagby and Balk Parish Council Wednesday 20th August 2025

Present: Cllr McKenzie (Chairman), Cllr Varey (Vice Chairman), Cllr Crick, Clerk and Responsible Officer R Hedger and 6 members of the public

2025-26.69 **Apologies**

1. To **Note** Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence

Cllr Cook sent his apologies in advance of the meeting.

2025-26.70 **To Note any Declarations of Interest:**

1. To **Approve** Dispensation Requests
2. To **Note** Declarations of Interest not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None at this time.

2025-26.76 **To Discuss a National Lottery funding application for improvements to Bagby and Balk Community Allotments**

1. To **Discuss** the contents of a prospective funding application (due 17 December 2025)

The Chair opened the meeting by explaining that a National Lottery Funding opportunity has come up that may suit the community allotments. The Council took a vote on whether to pursue an application and all councillors voted in favour. The Chair invited those present to suggest what they might wish to add to the community allotments.

Following discussion, it was agreed that allotment holders and councillors would research the costs of the following for consideration as part of any funding application: Fencing to prevent deer accessing the site, community tools (i.e. mower, strimmer, general gardening tools), community fruit cage, raised beds for community area, polytunnel.

2. To **Discuss** nominees to assist with the application

Allotment tenants agreed to disseminate information from the meeting to others who had been unable to attend. They agreed to meet again on 17/09/2025 at 7pm to discuss taking the application forward with the Parish Council.

2025-26.71 **Public Participation**

The Chair previously invited those present to partake in the discussion at point 2025-26.76, see above. Members of the village society invited the Chair to attend a village society meeting to find potential allotments tenants and to generate interest in the community area on site.

2025-26.77 **To Note matters for information for next ordinary meeting agenda**

1. Allotment opening event

2025-26.78 **To Confirm date, time and venue for next meeting**

The next Ordinary Parish Council meeting is **10/09/2025** at **Power Point, York Road** at **7pm**.
The next meeting to discuss the allotment funding application is **17/09/2025** at **The Greyhound at Bagby** at **7pm**.