

BAGBY AND BALK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bagby and Balk Parish Council **Wednesday 10th December 2025**

Present: Cllr Crick, Cllr Cook, Cllr Southwell, Clerk R Hedger.

2025-26.107 Public Participation

None at this time.

2025-26.108 Apologies

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

Cllr McKenzie, Cllr Varey and Cllr Baker sent their apologies in advance of the meeting, and these were accepted by those present.

2025-26.109 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.

2025-26.110 Minutes

1. To **Approve** the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 12/11/2025

The minutes had been circulated in advance of the meeting. It was resolved to accept the minutes and these were signed by Cllr Crick.

2025-26.111 To Receive reports for North Yorkshire Council

- The last garden waste collections will take place between Monday 24 November and Friday 5 December. Customers can check when the last collections are by visiting the bin calendar page.
- Anyone who plans on having a real Christmas tree this festive season can chop it up into small pieces and leave it in their garden waste wheelie bin for collection in March 2026, once they've paid for their new licence. Alternatively, they can be recycled at a Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Surgeries:

- Galtres Centre, Easingwold 5th Feb, 10am-12noon - Sir Alec Shelbrooke MP (Cllr Baker will not be available but other NY Councillors will be there and able to assist)

- Thirsk Auction Mart Gavel Café 11th December, 10am-12noon

2025-26.112 To Note and Discuss any Planning issues

1. To **Note** NYC Planning Applications Notices received

ZB25/02022/FUL	Change of use of existing garage into a gallery space and retrospective formation of car parking area.	Scott Creative Arts Foundation, The Art House, York Road, Thirsk
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Councillors noted no objections. Councillors asked the clerk to contact Planning to convey this.

2. To **Note** NYC Planning Decision Notices received

None at this time.

2025-26.113 To Note or Approve Finance and Governance issues

1. To **Note** the current Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring

Councillors noted the current Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring documents. The current bank balance is £7662.55.

2. To **Consider** approving the payments detailed below:

YLCA	Off to a Flying Start Councillor Training Course	£73.00
Green-tech	Tree guards and bamboo canes	£60.60 (£50.50 + £10.10 VAT)
J A Broadwith & Sons	Grass-cutting – August to October	£811.80 (£676.50 + £135.30 VAT)

Councillors approved the payments above.

3. To **Agree** the 2026/27 Budget and **Confirm** the Precept for 2026/27

Councillors resolved to arrange an extraordinary meeting to agree the budget and set the precept for 2026/27 when the Chairman and Vice Chair are able to attend.

2025-26.114 Allotment update

1. To **Note** repair of shed roof

The clerk confirmed that the roof has been repaired with the installation of a steel frame by the original builder of the shed.

2. To **Note** installation of allotment gate

The clerk confirmed that a new gate had been installed at the allotment site, partly funded by the Locality Budget grant received earlier in the year.

3. To **Note** Lottery Funding application submission

Councillors noted the application submission.

4. To **Update** on contact with Planning re. hedge-planting

Councillors asked the clerk to continue to attempt to contact Planning regarding the hedge. The clerk has received delivery of tree guards and bamboo canes, to be delivered to the allotment site ready for planting once a response has been received from Planning.

2025-26.115 Other Business and Correspondence Received

1. To **Confirm** dates of meetings in 2026 (see Appendix A)

Councillors approved the list of meeting dates. It was resolved that the clerk would add the next batch of meeting dates to the website

2. To **Note** flooding on Bagby Lane

Cllr Southwell reported flooding close to the airfield, which had also been reported to the clerk by a local resident via email. It was resolved that the clerk would contact North Yorkshire Council to report this.

3. To **Note** correspondence regarding York Road potholes

The clerk updated councillors on an email received from Highways regarding the potholes on York Road, conveying that no date has been set for repairing these. Councillors asked that the clerk contact Highways regarding two more complaints received since the last meeting.

4. To **Note** NYC Let's Talk Money campaign

Councillors noted the campaign, and Cllr Southwell asked about the avenues available for sharing relevant updates with the community. The clerk confirmed that updates can be shared via the website, village notice boards, Facebook or newsletter. It was resolved that councillors would contact the clerk with updates they felt it would be beneficial to share more widely.

5. To **Discuss** councillor photographs on the website and notice board

Councillors noted a request from a local resident to display photographs of parish councillors and the clerk on the website and notice boards. Councillors confirmed that the parish council welcomes attendance at meetings and contact via email to the clerk, but decided against adding photographs to the website.

2025-26.116 To Note matters for information for next monthly meeting agenda

1. To **Discuss** Assertion 10 and moving to gov.uk email and website

2025-26.117 To Confirm date, time and venue for next meeting

Meetings start at 7pm – next meeting is an extraordinary meeting 17/12/2025 at Power Point, York Road, Thirsk.

Next ordinary meeting is 14/01/2026.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

Appendix A

14 January 2026

11 February 2026

11 March 2026

8 April 2026

13 May 2026

10 June 2026

8 July 2026

12 August 2026

9 September 2026

14 October 2026

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