

GATE & UPPER HELMSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON THURSDAY 07 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM**

Councillors Present: Charlie Dodds Jonathan Greenwood
Michael Harrison Sue Panesar

In Attendance: Fiona Hill – Parish Clerk

Public Present: 5

- 24/12 a) To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting:**
Parish Councillor Richard Miller
b) To consider the approval of reasons given for absence:
Resolved/Approved (Unanimous)
- 24/13 To record declarations of interest in items on the agenda:** None
- 24/14 To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 04 May 2023, Wednesday 07 June 2023, Thursday 29 June 2023 and Thursday 03 August 2023, along with the Annual Parish Council Meeting:**
Resolved/Approved (Unanimous)
- 24/15 To discuss casual vacancy - NTR**
- 24/16 To discuss matters arising from previous minutes:**
- Website:
Resolved – The Parish Council agreed to reimburse the Parish Clerk for payments made for website hosting etc, until internet banking was set up.
- Street Lighting:
the work listed in the minutes dated Thursday 29 June 2023 is temporarily on hold, whilst the Parish Council raise funds.
- Banking:
Resolved – The Parish Council would apply for internet banking with Barclays
- 24/17 Public Session - Back Lane, street-lighting and bridleway were discussed.**
- 24/18 To discuss new planning applications received:** None

24/19

To discuss matters raised by Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer:

- Bookkeeping records to date – Parish Councillors had received a bank reconciliation totalling £5261.28, along with an income and expenditure.

- Financial Management – NTR

- Yorkshire Local Councils –

Resolved – The Parish Council would seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to apply for a PWLB loan of £5000.00 over the borrowing term of five years for the conversion of streetlights to LED. The annual loan repayments will come to around £576.92. The precept for 2024/25 was increased to £7000.00, which is a 40% on the precept for 2023/24 (£5000.00). (Unanimous)

- Payment - Resolved/Approved (Unanimous)

NT Fargher	Grass Cutting	100472	£432.00
Gallagher	Insurance	100473	£512.16

24/20

To report correspondence received by the council:

- Right of Way Gate Helmsley to Warthill – The Parish Council noted receipt of an email as follows – “I am writing to inform the Parish Council that we are in the process of applying to have the track that links the two villages designated as a bridleway. It has been regularly used as such for many, many years both by cyclists and horse riders. This track forms part of a lovely 4 mile loop, mainly on quiet country roads and means that two groups of vulnerable users do not have to use the A166. We are working with the British Horse Society and Ride Yorkshire and have begun the process with NYCC. Please feel free to contact me to discuss this”.

Resolved / The Parish Council would keep a neutral stance on this issue (Unanimous)

- NYC – Housing Needs Survey in the southern parishes of Ryedale SW 2023

The Parish Council noted receipt of this email

24/21

To receive matters raised by members:

Cllr Harrison would ask the contractor to do one more grass late September/October.

The Parish Council would research defibrillator training.

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To confirm the dates of the future meeting(s): 07 December 2023

Resolved / Approved (Unanimous)