

**Terrington Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 20 January 2025 at 7:00pm  
in Terrington Village Hall**

Before the meeting commenced, the Chairman invited members of the public to raise any issues they wanted to draw to the Councils attention. A member of the public asked if the Parish Council would consider making a financial contribution of £100 towards the cost of the VE commemoration event at the Village Hall. The applicant who had submitted the planning application (Item 5) explained the rationale behind the proposal which included the need for improved energy efficiency, additional workspace, replacement of the conservatory and a new roof.

**1. Attendance**

**Present:** Cllr Winning (Chairman), Cllr Barlow, Cllr Challoner Walker, Cllr Kendrick, Cllr Lewis, Kerr Wilson (Parish Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

**Apologies** - Cllr Barber (accepted by Council)

**2. Declarations of interest** - None

**3. To confirm the minutes of the**

Extraordinary meeting of Terrington Parish Council held on 17 December 2024.

*The minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 17 December 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record.*

*Proposed Cllr Lewis*

*Seconded Cllr Barlow*

**4. Finance**

4.1 To note the following receipt since 5-11-2024:

£381.64 from North Yorkshire Council as contribution to the cost of grass cutting

*The Council noted the receipt at 4.1*

4.2 To note the following payments against approved expenditure made since 5-11-2024:

£28.80 and £21.60 to Terrington Village Hall for room hire for Neighbourhood Plan Consultation events

£10.80 to Terrington Village Hall for room hire for the September Parish Council meeting

*The Council noted the payments listed at 4.2*

4.3 To receive a statement of payments and receipts in the current financial year to date by budget heading.

*The Council noted and received the statement of payments and receipts to date.*

**5. Planning applications**

ZE24/09939/HOUSE, Sawmill Cottage, New Road, Terrington

The Council to consider whether it wishes to submit comments or has no objections to the proposed plans.

The Council, having received the plans from North Yorkshire Council, asked the applicant for further information and clarification on certain points.

The Chairman then invited Councillors to indicate if they wished to submit observations or raise no objection.

*Councillors were unanimous in their decision to raise no objection to the above planning application.*

The Clerk was instructed to inform North Yorkshire Planning of the Council's decision.

**6. Defibrillator cabinet** – To consider the purchase of a new replacement cabinet.

The defibrillator, within what is proving to be an ineffectively heated cabinet, sited outside the village shop in Main Street, recently went out of service due to the cold weather. It is now working but a new replacement cabinet is needed.

**6.1 Motion:** To consider approving the purchase of a new defibrillator heated cabinet at a cost not exceeding £ 495 (ex VAT).

It was proposed that the motion be amended by adding the words ...'from the General Reserves budget'.

**6.2. Amendment motion** - To consider approving the purchase of a new defibrillator heated cabinet at a cost not exceeding £ 495 (ex VAT) from the General Reserves budget.

Proposed Cllr Winning

Seconded Cllr Challoner Walker

*The amended motion was carried unanimously.*

**6.3 Substantive motion** - To consider approving the purchase of a new defibrillator heated cabinet at a cost not exceeding £495 (ex VAT) from the General Reserves budget.

Proposed Cllr Winning

Seconded Cllr Challoner Walker

**Resolution** – the substantive motion (6.3) was carried unanimously, and the Council **resolved** to approve the purchase of the defibrillator cabinet from the general reserves budget.

**7. Terrington Parish Neighbourhood Plan** - To receive an update

Cllr Kendrick reported that all the comments from the pre-submission consultation (Reg 14) were recorded, considered and where appropriate incorporated into a revised version of the Plan. This is now with the designer for the final draft. Following proof-reading the plan will be returned to the Parish Council who, as the qualifying body, will be responsible for submitting the Plan to North Yorkshire Council. Thereafter the plan will be publicised for a period of 6 weeks (known as Reg 16) and undergo an independent examination. The final stage will be the Local Authority holding a referendum in the Parish.

**8. Grit Bins** – to receive an update.

The Chairman announced that NYC Highways has topped up most of the grit bins. It should be noted however that responsibility for keeping the bins topped up falls to the Parish Council and the grit is stored in the village hall garage.

**9. Cemetery** - To consider what action to take regarding the management of the yew trees in the cemetery.

The Council discussed the problems associated with the size, shape and proximity of the yew trees and the detrimental effect some yew trees have on the deciduous trees. It was agreed that the Burial Authority would review the options available and take professional advice if appropriate and report back to the Council.

- 10. Dark Skies** – To receive an update on the lighting demonstration project being taken forward at Terrington Hall School connected with the Dark Skies initiative.

Richard Darn (Dark Skies) met with the Headmaster Mr Thomas at Terrington Hall School to discuss the benefits of the Dark Skies initiative. Mr Thomas was receptive and supportive to the Dark Skies concept and consequently several LEDs that lined a walkway have been pointed downwards, two flood lights switched off earlier in the evening that had previously been on until 9pm, and another floodlight has been turned off completely. Three new dark sky friendly lights have been supplied by Richard and delivered to the school and, if found to be acceptable, he may be able to supply a few more. The next stage is to fit the new lights and provide photographic evidence of the external lighting arrangements 'before' and 'after.'

The school's participation in the Dark Skies initiative is appreciated as, when successfully completed, this will count as the required demonstration project to support a Parish Council application for the Dark Skies friendly status.

- 11. Highways issues** – To receive an update on the request to have hazard centre white line markings at the junction of Main Street, North Back Lane and New Road.

The Chairman reported that he had written to his contact at NYC Highways and the matter has been referred on to the Engineering Depot.

- 12. Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS)** – Councillor Mason (NYC) has informed Terrington Council that Slingsby Council, which uses VAS to help control excessive speeding, would like to hear from any other villages that might be interested in sharing a Vehicle Activated Sign.

The Chairman explained that in the absence of street lights, there is no suitable mains power supply in Terrington Main Street for installing Vehicle Activated Signs. Therefore, whilst a VAS might be useful to help control the speed of vehicles in the village, this initiative is probably not suitable for Terrington given the potentially significant cost of providing a power supply.

- 13. Matters for inclusion on next agenda**

Date next meeting – Monday 10 March 2025

Meeting closed at 20.10 h