



Heworth Without Annual Parish Council Meeting
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DRAFT - Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting of Heworth Without Parish Council held on MONDAY 20th April 2026 held at 6.30pm in the Heworth Without Community Centre on Applecroft Road, Heworth, York
To be approved at the next APC meeting in April 2027.

Present:

Councillor M Starkey (Chair HWPC), Councillor A Basu (Deputy Chair), Councillor N Ayre (arrived 6.41pm), Councillor A Clayton, Councillor A Garbutt, Councillor D Gibbon, Councillor S Phoenix (arrived 6.41pm), and Gayle Enion-Farrington (Clerk / RFO). Members of the public S Cuthbert, C Cuthbert and J Hitchins.

APC01/2026. Apologies:

- a. To Receive Apologies and Consider and Approve Reasons for Absence
None

APC02/2026. To Note any Declarations of Interest:

- a. To receive any declarations of (from any Councillors present) not already declared under the Council's Code of Conduct or a member's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
None
- b. To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation from any Councillors present).
None

APC03/2025. OPEN FORUM:

- a. To receive opinions on what residents, wish / want from their Parish Council in the next 12-24 months.

Cllr M Starkey opened this open forum section, welcoming all and explaining what events HWPC has run in the past 12 months (Newsletters depicting photos of events were in the room for residents to view and they are all on HWPC website)

J Hitchins – Just wanted to say a big thankyou as always for all the activities run by HWPC and looking after the park as I know you all do it voluntarily.
Would like a continuation of the community events and enjoys the fact that the Community Centre is used well with lots of groups using it. No new ideas just please continue.

S Cuthbert – Do potholes come under parish council?

Cllr M Starkey – Generally not but we can, and you can report it to CYC Highways.

Resident – concerned about cars parking on the bend on Whitby Avenue

Cllr N Ayre confirmed that double yellow lines have been advertised, but an objection has been raised. This now triggers a public meeting. Cllr N Ayre to pass on details of the date and time of the meeting.

Resident – requested possibility of double yellows on Ashely Park Road / Applecroft Road near school as buses, emergency services and large vehicles cannot get through at school drop off and pick up times.

Neighbourhood Plan Discussion

Cllr M Starkey - Raised Neighbourhood Plan – Asked what people currently know? Explained that HWPC are looking for volunteers to join the Parish Council to help HWPC create a Neighbourhood Plan. CIL structure and payments were explained. The new Stockton Lane build is not part of CIL as they should be providing and supporting new infrastructure.

Cllr S Phoenix – Members of the community can get involved with the Neighbourhood Plan to maybe highlight certain designs of houses and a key Appletree (for example) to be protected etc. Or a street to remain all bungalows. Used to live in an area where the door colours of houses were protected.

Cllr N Ayre – On Stockton Lane the stone walls are a key characteristic that we could protect so no more are replaced by modern brick. Or protect the image of street signs for example.

Clerk gave example of a Parish Council taking 10 years, but the process need not be that long now. March 2026 Government have provided a website dedicated to templates and how to write a Neighbourhood Plan. HWPC aims to link it to the Local Plan but wish to protect parish local characteristics of the parish.

J Hitchins - Kindly volunteered to be part of the working group for the Neighbourhood Plan, who will be in touch with the next meeting date.

Cllr M Starkey summarised what HWPC does currently for activities.

J Hitichins - asked if there were any groups for older members to go to.

Cllr S Phoenix – we always try to find events, but we have done 2-3 events (inc a Tea Dance) and spent money, specifically for older community but they were very low numbers

Cllr N Ayre – we used to be one of the highest areas in the country for older single members in the community, but the community is getting more elderly and with health and mobility diminishing, some are less able to even take part in the former Coach Day Trips out.

Cllr A Basu – we didn't spend money on the Tea Dance because the musicians attended for free from Tang Hall Smart and Heworth WI did the Refreshments

Cllr S Phoenix - At a previous Xmas Festival event we specifically put on crafts for the elderly, but few wished to do it and the ones for younger members are more popular.

Meeting closed at 19.08