

## GROSMONT PARISH COUNCIL

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# MINUTES

MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM  
IN HAZELWOOD TEA ROOMS

**Present:** Cllr Williamson  
Cllr Smith  
Cllr McCarthy  
Cllr Wootton  
Cllr Beesley  
Cllr Gale  
Cllr Naylor

**Apologies:**

Clerk: C E Wiggins

MOP: None

- 1 Apologies and approve reasons for absence**  
None.
- 2 Declarations of interest in respect of any of the agenda items to be discussed**  
Cllr Williamson declared and interest in agenda item 9a – local housing.
- 3 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023**  
RESOLVED – to approve.
- 4 Matters arising for information only unless defined**  
TO NOTE – Citizens Advice donation to be discussed in February.
- 5 Police Report**  
TO NOTE – circulated.
- 6 Public Participation - members of the public are invited to address the Council**  
None.
- 7a. Planning Applications**  
None.
- 7b. Planning Decisions (for information only)**  
None.
- 8 Finance**
  - 8.1** To confirm the current bank statement as follows:  
Bank statement from 23.10.23 – 22.11.23 with balance of £12258.88  
RESOLVED – to approve.

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**8.2** To approve the following payments:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
C E Wiggins	Working from Home - Nov	£ 26.00
C E Wiggins	Wages Nov	£ 197.46
HMR&C	PAYE Nov	£ 49.40
C E Wiggins	Back Pay	£ 105.60
HMR&C	PAYE Back Pay	£ 26.40
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RESOLVED – to approve.

**8.3** To confirm Model Agreement 2024-25

RESOLVED – to approve. Clerk to ask NYMNP if any funding available to help with grass cutting costs.

**9 Items for Discussion:**

- a. To receive an update with regards to local housing  
TO NOTE – site visit held with NYMNP, North Yorkshire Council and councillors. Concerns expressed about the visibility splay at the entrance to the site. Also concerns about who would give permission/adopt the existing footpath on Ings Terrace.
- b. To discuss ongoing concerns regarding Grosmont Suspension Bridge, to include feedback following letter to Environment Agency  
TO NOTE – Clerk to chase with flooding team.
- c. To discuss footbridge over railway, maintenance and re-marking  
TO NOTE – NYMNP going to look into this and ask for monthly report for ongoing/forthcoming works they have planned.
- d. To discuss village Christmas lights  
TO NOTE – Request for 5 sockets to be installed submitted. Christmas lights to be discussed in the new year with the representative.
- e. Request for re-do of road markings and warning sign at Fairhead  
TO NOTE – warning sign now at the junction and we expect this to be done when the weather improves.
- f. Village road sign  
TO NOTE – NYMNP looking into this and visiting the site.
- g. Update on defibrillator to include donation  
TO NOTE – Clerk to apply to British Heart Foundation for defibrillator at Priory Park and if possible at the top of the village (near New Houses). Cllr Naylor was authorised to purchase new pads and battery as required under the Public Health Act 1936, S234.
- h. Directional sign for the public conveniences  
TO NOTE – NYMNP are unsure where to put the signs. Clerk to liaise with NYMNP.
- i. Wildlife cameras  
TO NOTE – application has been accepted and due to be installed in the next couple of weeks.
- j. To discuss the Parish Plan

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TO NOTE – plan circulated.

- k. To discuss tidying up the woods near the Cricket Field  
TO NOTE – NYMNP have advised they would be willing to tidy up this area.
- l. Update following letter to Cricket Club re broken glass  
TO NOTE – no reply received from the Cricket Club committee. Remove from the agenda.
- m. To discuss feedback from Yorkshire Water regarding wagon at the water treatment plant  
TO NOTE – Cllr Smith to liaise with the driver of the HGV and ask why the wagon is permanently in the village as unspecified response received from Yorkshire Water.
- n. Discuss letter received regarding donation to play group  
TO NOTE – after discussion it was felt as this would benefit the village the council would be happy to donate £300 under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, S19.
- o. Discuss Historic England grant via YLCA newsletter  
TO NOTE – deadline for application was 7.11.23.
- p. Highways – request for drains and gullies to be cleaned out  
TO NOTE – All drains/gullies have been reported to Highways. Clerk asked to chase up again.
- q. Plaques for benches  
TO NOTE – clerk to circulate bench policy for councillors to read prior to adopting.
- r. Consider what the Parish Council can do to conserve and enhance biodiversity  
TO NOTE – Clerk to liaise with NYMNP and ask what they have in place for biodiversity, especially grass verges. It was noted the council could carry out a litter pick.

**10 Correspondence:**

*All circulated prior to the meeting:*

YLCA White Rose Updates

Law & Governance Update

TO NOTE – it was discussed to put any grants/funding opportunities in the noticeboard as it may benefit other groups in the village.

**11 Councillor's updates:**

It was brought to the councils' attention that the landlines are going digital. To look at having battery back-ups in both phone boxes.

**12 Items for next agenda**

**13 Date of next meeting:**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024, 7.30pm Hazelwood Tea Rooms, Grosmont

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