



**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF CONONLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT CONONLEY VILLAGE INSTITUTE. 10 MARCH 2026**

Present: Councillors: K Clark (Chair) M Steele R Paley
A Hopwood M Allum

(Also in attendance: Clerk Hannah Sherriff-Jackson and North Yorkshire Councillor Andy Brown (from Minute 25/236))

25/221 APOLOGIES (AND REASONS) FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Dracup.

No other apologies were received.

25/222 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

25/223 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting of Cononley Parish Council were approved as a true and accurate record of the following:

- Monthly Meeting held 10 February 2026

25/224 OPEN FORUM

No members of the public attended.

25/225 UPDATES FROM NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCILLOR, ANDY BROWN

As the Annual Parish Meeting followed this meeting, Councillor Brown's update was given at the Annual Parish Meeting.

25/226 CORRESPONDENCE

North Yorkshire Police via Neighbourhood Alert – Share your thoughts on our use of ANPR – Email: The Parish Council noted an email regarding a survey on the use of ANPR.

NPPF Consultation – Email: The Parish Council noted a consultation on the National Planning Policy Framework. Cllrs Clark and Paley have completed this.



York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority – Have your say on your emergency services – Email: The Parish Council noted an email regarding a survey on North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue. Cllr Clark encouraged all councillors to respond to the survey.

North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison: Skipton and Ripon Parish Liaison Presentations – Email: The Parish Council noted an email containing the presentation from the recent Skipton and Ripon Parish Liaison meeting.

York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority – Mayor’s Active Travel Fund – Community Funding – Email: The Parish Council noted an email regarding the community funding element of the Mayor’s Active Travel Fund. Cllr Paley will send the link to local community groups.

Temp Road Closures 252033 Woodside Lane Cononley – Email: The Parish Council noted an email regarding a temporary road closure on Woodside Lane, Cononley for contour patching from 11-15 March 2026.

Charity Reception of the Chairs of North Yorkshire Council and Yorkshire Air Ambulance: Invitation – Email: The Parish Council noted an invitation to the charity reception of the Chairs of North Yorkshire Council and Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

Rt Hon Sir Julian Smith KCB CBE MP – Local Power Plan – Email: The Parish Council noted an email regarding the Government’s new Local Power Plan.

Parking Concerns – Email: The Parish Council noted an email regarding recent parking concerns at the end of Meadow Lane. The Clerk will respond to explain that the vehicles were parked as part of ongoing building works and the issue is now resolved.

25/227 OUTSTANDING ISSUES LIST

The Parish Council reviewed the Outstanding Issues List.

The Clerk will amend accordingly.

25/228 RUNNING ACCOUNTS AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

The Parish Council noted the running accounts.

RESOLVED: That the Financial Report was approved:

- Current Account as 02/03/2026: £9,917.89
- Instant Access Savings Account as 02/03/2026: £38,677.11

25/229 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS TO PAY

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council approved the following Accounts to Pay:

	Payee	Reason	Gross	VAT	Net
	H Sherriff-Jackson	Salary (net) – March	£1,085.32		£1,085.32



		Working From Home Allowance	£26.00		£26.00
		Google Play – Gmail Storage – Feb	£1.59	£0.26	£1.33
		HP Instant Ink – Printer Ink – Feb	£15.01		£15.01
	HMRC	HMRC NI Cont (PC & Clerk) & IT	£133.38		£133.38
	Cononley Village Institute	Clock Repairs	£210.00		£210.00
	John Mason Printers Ltd	Newsletter Printing	£268.00		£268.00
	YLCA	Training – Training Day – Cllr Clark	£105.00		£105.00
TOTAL			£1,844.30	£0.26	£1,844.04

25/230 APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO THE LENGTHSMAN

The Clerk reported that there is no invoice to be approved from the Lengthsman for February 2026.

25/231 PLANNING

a) New Applications:

1. **26/00723/FUL** – RESOLVED: The Parish Council had no objections.

- High View, Windle Lane, Cononley
- Householder consent for first floor balcony

b) Planning Decisions: Details of Planning decisions made by North Yorkshire Council were provided to members.

c) Other Planning Issues:

No other planning issues were discussed.

25/232 ALLOTMENT UPDATES

a) Unpaid Rents

The Clerk reported that some of the annual rental payments are still outstanding. Cllr Clark will chase this up.

b) Rent Review

This item was deferred to the April meeting.



c) Pathway

Cllr Steele reported that he will meet with the Lengthsman to discuss the topping off of the pathway on the Meadow Close allotments. Cllr Steele will get a quote for this work.

d) Other allotment updates

The Clerk reported that the waiting list is now down to 1.

The Clerk reported that a tenant has requested permission from the Parish Council to erect a potting shed on their plot. RESOLVED: That the Parish Council granted permission for the tenant to erect a potting shed.

25/233 PARISH COUNCIL EMAIL

Cllr Paley will look into setting up new email accounts for the Clerk and all Councillors using the WIX system.

25/234 S106 MONEY

Cllr Allum reported that he is looking into the shed in the Playing Field and considering its potential future uses.

Cllrs Steele and Dracup are continuing to look into the possibility of improving the pathway adjacent to the campsite.

25/235 BUS STOPS THROUGHOUT VILLAGE

The Clerk reported that she is still awaiting an update on this issue.

25/236 FOREST SCHOOL

The Parish Council noted concerns from Cononley Wildlife Group regarding the use of the Pinfold as a potential site for a forest school.

The Clerk will respond to the member of the public with alternative sites that could be considered.

25/237 REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Councillor Brown provided a brief update on the takeaway site.

Cllr Clark reported that the new battery for the defibrillator is due to be delivered soon.

Cllr Clark informed the Parish Council that there has been a misunderstanding regarding the sponsorship of the newsletter for 2026.



Cllr Clark reported that CGC will be holding another litter pick event in April. Cllr Clark also reported that the remaining ring-fenced CGC money (held by the Parish Council) is to be spent on litter picking equipment. This will be considered further at the April meeting.

Cllr Clark informed the Parish Council that CGC recently met with Network Rail regarding the tree cutting and felling alongside the railway lines. This meeting was very positive and CGC is happy with Network Rail's response.

The Parish Council noted concerns raised regarding the dumping of material at the garages.

Finally, Cllr Clark reported that concerns have been raised about a garden being converted to parking within the conservation area. The Clerk will write to NYC Highways and Planning to clarify permissions needed for a dropped kerb and works in the conservation area.

25/238 DATES & TIMES OF NEXT MEETINGS

The Clerk advised that matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting should be with her by 06 April 2026.

The Clerk advised the next meeting would be held:

- Monthly Meeting at Cononley Village Institute at **7pm on Tuesday 14 April 2026**

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