

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SPOFFORTH-WITH-STOCKELD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE LONG
MEMORIAL HALL, SPOFFORTH, ON WEDNESDAY 18th JUNE 2025 AT 7:30PM**

06202501 PRESENT

Chairman Cllr June Geddes, Vice Chairman Cllr Gerald Heslop, Cllr Nigel Moore, Cllr Carl Marston, Cllr J Parker-Beevers.

06202502 APOLOGIES

Cllr Chris Heslop.

06202503 ALSO PRESENT

Clerk Becky Beevers, one member of the public.

06202504 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None to report

06202505 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE PARISH COUNCIL

A representative from Stockeld Park attended the meeting to discuss potential plans for development of the field to the left of Hall Cottages.

The plans will incorporate the two red brick cottages with an additional 30 village style houses on the site.

The councillors responded that they understand the additional need for housing is increasing but also questioned the status of Castle Farm within the centre of the village, the representative replied that the access into the site is stopping any development from going ahead.

06202506 THE MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting on 21st May 2025 were approved and signed.

06202507 ACTION POINTS

The action points were discussed and updated:

06202508 CLERK REPORT

- a. Annual AGAR submission updated. Paperwork signed and approved for submission.
- b. Village Hall Insurance expires on 20th June 2025 – Councillors approved and accepted the quotation.

06202509 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To consider and decide on the following planning applications.

- a. 6.122. 40mph on Haggs Road
 - i. Response Submitted: No Objections.
- b. 6.122. 16 Castle Street, Change of use of existing annex to holiday let
 - i. Response Submitted: No Objections.
- c. 6.122. Brockville Clive Road, Conversion of the existing garage and utility into a kitchen/living/dining with external alterations.
 - i. Response Submitted: No Objections.

06202510 PLANNING DECISIONS

Refused: Decision No TPO 49/2008. Whinbrook House, 15b High Street. Crown reduction of 3 silver birch trees.

06202511 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT

Possible breach of planning consent at Dale House Farm, processing of cooking oil into biodiesel.

06202511 MATTERS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Geddes

- a. Feedback on Shirleys retirement party, the event was a great success thanks to all who were involved in making the day run smoothly, letters of thanks have been received from guests .

06202513 MATTERS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS CONTINUED

Cllr Geddes

- a. Platinum Jubilee Wood, concern was raised about the trees during the dry weather, Cllr Marston to check and report back.
- b. Ginny Greenhole Proposal, the councillors discussed the quote and agreed for the work to go ahead and further work to be done in the entrance area.
- c. Team sport and play, equipment and timetable scheduled for September.
- d. Village sign and entrance to Ginny Greenholes proposal is ongoing.

06202514 FINANCIAL MATTERS.

The 2024/25 accounts were reviewed along with the relevant accounting statements which present an accurate financial position for the council.

To approve the following accounts for payment:

Two additional invoices were presented for payment at the meeting: Team Sport & Play, Ash Tree insurance. Approved.

June	Name of supplier / contact	Payment for	Expenses	Remuneration
	B Middleton	Village Hall Caretaker		£130.00
	R Harrison	Open Spaces Care Taker		£130.00
	H Bowes	Village Hall Cleaner		£375.00
	J Steggles	Village Hall Booking Clerk		£162.75
	R Beevers	Parish Clerk		£448.48
	J Geddes	Expenses (Chairmans Retirement party)	£266.73	
	North Yorkshire Council	Bins	£44.86	
	North Yorkshire Council	Recycling	£25.04	

	Mad Cow Designs	Chairmans retirement invitations	£133.49	
	Team Sport & Play	Ginny Greenholes equipment	£24,088.08	
	Ash Tree Insurance	Insurance premium	£2047.38	
Total			£26,605.58	£1246.23

- a. To note payments previously authorised and income received.
 - i. May bank statement reviewed by Councillors.
 - ii. Current Account Bank balance on 31st May 2025: £17,251.74.

06202516 TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NEW CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND DECIDE ACTION WHERE NECESSARY:

- a. Village consortium for proposed purchase of land off Harrogate Road, council responded

06202517 EMPLOYMENT MATTERS.

- a. To resolve to exclude members of the press and public under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960) due to the business at agenda item 14b being prejudicial to the public interest.
- b. A new Parish clerk has been appointed
- c. Confirm interim rates of pay until new clerk

06202518 TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OF MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING.

- i. Road sign on Mill Lane, Follifoot Lane and White Horse Mews and damaged and in need of repair.
- ii. The Ginnel between Castle Ings and School Lane is overgrown

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:45

TO NOTE THE DATE, TIME, AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Future meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of the month, the next meeting is:

Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council: Wednesday 16th July 2025 at the Village Hall at 7:30pm