

BLAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL 2026 AT 19:30 IN BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors R Johnson, J. Hill, I Collett, J. Steventon,

APOLOGIES: L. Watson

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: One

IN ATTENDANCE: E Lear (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES

a) To receive and note apologies from councillors who are unable to attend the meeting – Received from Councillor L. Watson.

b) To consider reasons for absence provided by councillors who cannot attend and resolve the council's acceptance of these if felt relevant.-

RESOLVED (1)

That the reason for absence be accepted.

2. TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC WERE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING- Not required.

3. DECLARATION OF PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS, OTHER INTERESTS, THE RECEIPT OF GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – None

4. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18 MARCH 2026

RESOLVED (2)

That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18 March 2026 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-None as following the Parish Meeting.

RESOLVED (3)

That the Clerk contact CDC Drainage regarding the horizontal clearing of the drains.

6. WARD MEMBERS REPORT – None received.

RESOLVED (4)

That a request is made again to the Ward Councillors to reinstate the Joint Parish meeting or to attend a Blaxton Parish Council meeting on a quarterly basis.

7. **CDC AND SOUTH AREA COMMUNITIES TEAM ISSUES-** The Neighbourhood Co-ordinator and Neighbourhood Officer have been seconded to different areas. The new Neighbourhood Co-ordinator intends to attend the June meeting.
8. **POLICING ISSUES-** None
9. **CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES**
 - a) : PCJCC- **Meeting 02/04/26**
Cllr Johnson attended and a report had been distributed
 - b) Airport Consultative Committee- **Meeting 13/04/26**
Cllr Collett attended and a report had been distributed.

RESOLVED (5)

That the post on Facebook and the website asking members of the public for any questions to the ACC will be reposted.

10. **FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

- a) Payments Considered for Approval on 15 April 2026:- including contractual payments

RESOLVED (6)

That the following payments be approved.

<u>Voucher No</u>	<u>Payee/Invoice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
133 DD 02/03/26	Ionos 203053419369	Website hosting for 8.2.26 Final Invoice (RETROSPECTIVE)	0.89	0.18	1.07
1	Bingham Ground Services Ltd	Balance of invoice for the supply and installation of conipave track and additional aggregate (RETROSPECTIVE)	22,480.80	4496.16	26,976.96
2	E Lear	Salary April 2026	607.05	0.00	607.05
2	E Lear	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance April 2026	20.00	0.00	20.00
3- DD 30/04/26	Nest GBP04548149246469196	Clerk's pension 01/04/26 – 30/04//26	22.37	0.00	22.37
4	HMRC	HMRC M1	204.34	0.00	204.34
5 – DD 30/04/26	Unity Bank 058	Account fee 01/03/26- 31/03/26	7.00	0.00	7.00
6	Amazon Business GB6SXTUABEY	1 x magenta ink cartridge 1x yellow ink cartridge	61.52	12.31	73.83
7	CDC	Q4 bin emptying	186.24	37.25	223.49

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	31850083				
8	Glendale Countryside GC446-2447	Grass cut x1 (March)	52.66	10.53	63.19
9	YLCA 5905	Membership Subscription 1st April 2026- 31st March 2027	502.00	0.00	502.00
					£28,701.30

Note: **DD** above indicates payment taken or to be taken by Direct Debit on the date shown

- b) Bank Reconciliations at 31 March 2026 **Noted**
- c) Net Position at 10 April 2026 – The spend in 2025/26 was within 6% of the budget for the year. **Noted**
- d) YLCA Training Programme (within Weekly News & Notifications) - circulated 20/02/26, 01/03/26 and 06/03/26- **Noted**
- e) Station Road pavement flooding- CDC Drainage have cleared the drains again and need to investigate. Please see resolution 3.
- f) Mosham Road Improvements-
 - 1. Mosham Road/ Gatehouse Lane junction- No update.
 - 2. Consideration of update on request to change the speed limit on Mosham Road-
CDC Safer Roads team will not change the speed limit on this section of road as speed limits need to be self policing.
- g) Mosham Road Pavement Condition- No response has been received from CDC regarding grubbing back of the area.
- h) Speed Limits on Main Roads- Consideration of making a request to reduce the speed limit on Thorne Road and Bank End Road.
In light of a recent fatality and general concerns,

RESOLVED (7)

That the Clerk send an email to the CDC Safer Roads team using the email chain from the past regarding access to the roundabout, requesting consideration of:

- The repainting of road markings around the roundabout
 - That a coating is applied to the road surface on the approaches to the roundabout which raises awareness of the approach via noise/vibration
 - The moving of the change in speed limits
 - the 60 to 40mph moved back along Bank End Road away from current location near entrance to children's play area
 - the 60 to 40mph moved back along Thorne Road away from the entrance to the Summerfields estate
 - the 50 to 40mph moved back along Mosham Road to Hurst Lane i.e. so the whole road becomes 40mph.
- i) Maintenance of Planters 2026

A quote of £365 had been received from Need a Hand for Spring and Autumn planting/refreshing of compost & plants for the Blaxton planters, per occasion, and watering/feeding at £35 per occasion, as required.

RESOLVED (8)

That the quote of £365 per occasion (Spring and Autumn planting) is accepted.

RESOLVED (9)

That the quote of £35 per occasion for watering/feeding is accepted.

j) Remembrance Arrangements-

The landlord of the Blue Bell has indicated that he would like to become involved in the village's poppy display.

RESOLVED (10)

That consideration of Remembrance arrangements will take place in the July meeting and the landlord of the Blue Bell will be invited to this meeting or send his thoughts to this meeting, for discussion.

RESOLVED (11)

That Finningley Parish Council will be asked to consider if they would like to hold a joint parade again and to inform BPC by the July meeting.

k) Risk Management Assessment-

The updated risk assessment was circulated in its current form. The modification of the document to assess risk via a 'traffic light/scoring' system still needs to be undertaken.

RESOLVED (12)

That the Risk Assessment for 2025/26, is received and approved for its content.

RESOLVED (13)

That Cllr Hill update the format of the Risk Assessment for the May meeting, for consideration.

l) Asset Register

RESOLVED (14)

That the asset register for 2025/26 is received and an asset total of £319,208 is noted.

m) Communication with Residents- **Deffered**

Admission of public to meetings of local authorities and other bodies

RESOLVED (15)

That , under section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, (as amended) members of the public and press be excluded for the duration of the following item because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

n) Clerk Annual Increment-

The Clerk will receive their contractual annual increment moving from SCP 16 to SCP 17- **Noted**

11. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS-** none received for the agenda.

The clerk was given delegated power to record a neutral response and comment about concerns about the potential overspill parking onto the road for 26/00329/FUL - Erection of two detached dwellings (self build) including new access from Doncaster Road - Land Off Doncaster Road, Finningley.

12. **BLAXTON PLAYING FIELD**

a) Improvements to Blaxton Playing Field – Section 106 Funding (18/02593/FULM)

1. Update on the nature trail

The nature trail path has been completed. Following payment of the final invoice there is £1054.29 left from the s106 funds. As there is no claw back option, CDC have indicated that the funds can be used for further improvements around the nature trail.

RESOLVED (16)

That Glendale Countryside are to be reminded to use the concrete crossing points when crossing the playing field with the mower.

b) Improvements to Blaxton Playing Field- National Lottery funding

1. Consideration of items for addition around the nature trail- Four quotes had been obtained for the addition of items around the trail, based on a list of items for each company totalling approximately the same amount. Discussion took place about the quotes including the expected installation times.

RESOLVED (17)

That the Council will use ESP Play Ltd to install items but that the Clerk will be given a delegated decision, working with Cllr Hill, to finalise the items due to the addition of funds from the remaining s106 funds.

c) Improvements to Blaxton Playing Field- Other items

1. Consideration of a storage shed design- a location near the entrance to the site was discussed along with foundations
2. Consideration of the quotation for the creation of the base for the ball wall-

Two quotations were received.

RESOLVED (18)

That the Clerk will indicate an acceptance of the quote of £791 from Prestige Landscapes but no order will be placed until a further quote for the base of the shed is also obtained.

Standing Order 3(w) – at 21:28 – RESOLVED (19) That the meeting be extended by up to twenty minutes to enable the remaining business to be concluded.

3. Consideration of the Purchase of a bug hotel-

RESOLVED (20)

That one bug hotel will be purchased for £58 but further consideration may be given to the purchase of more bug hotels on inspection and practicalities.

4. Consideration of the purchase of planters (for herb garden)- **Deferred** until after the installation of the new equipment
5. Consideration of signage- **Deferred** but a delegated decision was given to the clerk, working with Cllr Johnson to look at signage (and the Public Space Protection Order) in preparation for the next meeting.
6. Consideration of suggestions from members of the public for further additions- suggestions were received from two members of the public and included:
 - Mud kitchen
 - Seats for adults
 - Wildflower area with no grass cutting
 - Additional trees
 - Shrubs for butterflies i.e. Buddleia

RESOLVED (21)

That further items for addition will be considered in the future.

13. JOINT PLAYING FIELD

- a) Letter from Finningley Parish Council dated 18.3.26- The receipt of the letter was noted and it was noted that a response was sent in the prescribed 7 days. No response had been received to this. As the content related to Finningley cricket club, discussion took place about their knowledge of the situation.

RESOLVED (22)

That the Clerk will contact Finningley Cricket Club for an update on the current situation from their point of view, stating that we are happy for the club to play.

RESOLVED (23)

That after consideration of the letter in the meeting, that a further letter is sent to FPC asking for a response.

- b) PFA funds at Time of Disbandment- no response has been received to the invoice sent.

RESOLVED (24)

That a further email is sent to FPC asking if the payment of the invoice has been considered.

14. BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL

- a) Village Hall Committee – **Next meeting 29/04/26**

1. Consideration of signing the terms and conditions of use for the village hall.

RESOLVED (25)

That the terms and conditions are signed and returned to the village hall committee.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The Annual Council meeting
is scheduled to be held on
Wednesday 20 May 2026 in Blaxton Village Hall
Following on from the Parish Meeting at 19:00.

Meeting closed at 21.55

Chair: _____

Date: _____