

BLAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21 JANUARY 2026 AT 19:00 IN BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL

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

APOLOGIES: None

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Two

IN ATTENDANCE: E Lear (Clerk)

1. **APOLOGIES**

a) To receive and note apologies from councillors who are unable to attend the meeting – None.

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

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 19 NOVEMBER 2025**

RESOLVED (1)

That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19 November 2025 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-**

A member of the public raised concerns about the ongoing flooding of the pavement on Station Road (opposite the post office), with the adjacent verge soaking wet as well, meaning that people may choose to walk on the road.

RESOLVED (2)

That the Clerk will write to CDC again with concerns about the flooded pavement, stating that one of the drains in the vicinity was still quite full (since the gully clean) and the slope of the pavement seemed to be incorrect.

A member of the public asked for an update on what was happening at the Mosham Road/ Gatehouse Lane junction. The Clerk briefly outlined that they were installing a footpath to travel around the corner onto Gatehouse Lane, that a staircase would

be installed from the site to access the bus stop on Gatehouse Lane and that pedestrian refuges adjacent to a filter lane were being installed on Mosham Road. With discussion of road changes in this area, the member of the public continued to ask if a filter lane could be added at the entrance to Walker's Nurseries so that people turning into Walker's Nurseries, coming from Auckley, would not block traffic flow on Mosham Road.

RESOLVED (3)

That the Clerk to write to CDC Safer Roads suggesting the installation of a filter lane to turn into Walker's Nurseries.

A member of the public commented that the book exchange (sharing station) was a good idea.

The council had received a letter from a member of the public complaining about the condition the pavement had been left in since the works by Open Reach, along Mosham Road, between Walker's Nurseries and Gatehouse Lane. The footpath was covered in lots of mud and puddles and people are walking on the road to avoid. Discussion involved that the footpath wasn't in a good condition from the roundabout.

RESOLVED (4)

That the Clerk write to CDC expressing concern about the condition of the Mosham Road footpath and verges between Blaxton roundabout and Gatehouse Lane, since the works of Open Reach.

6. **WARD MEMBERS REPORT** – None received

RESOLVED (5)

That the Clerk will write to the Ward Councillors asking when the next Joint Parish Council meeting would take place.

7. **CDC AND SOUTH AREA COMMUNITIES TEAM ISSUES-** No reports received.

a) PSPO Dog Fouling Consultation- **NOTED-** no comments

8. **POLICING ISSUES-** None

9. **CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES**

a) YLCA Joint Annual Meeting- **Meeting 17/01/26- not attended.**

b) Upcoming: Airport Consultative Committee- **Meeting 26/01/26**

c) Upcoming: YLCA South Yorkshire Branch Meeting- **Meeting 18/02/26- apologies sent**

No Items for the agenda were considered.

10. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

a) Payments Considered for Approval on 17 December 2025:- including contractual payments

RESOLVED (6)

That the following payments be approved:-

94	Allsigns 1254354	2 x metal A4 signs for sharing station (RETROSPECTIVE)	83.80	16.76	100.56
95	P Dennis	Salary December 2025	111.74	0.00	111.74
96	E Lear	Salary December 2025	597.51	0.00	597.51
96	E Lear	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance Decmber 2025	20.00	0.00	20.00
97- DD 31/12/25	Nest GBP04548149235152212	Clerk's pension 01/12/25 – 31/12/25	21.26	0.00	21.26
98	HMRC	HMRC M9	228.07	0.00	228.07
99- DD 31/12/25	lonos 203052161486	1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/12/25- 07/01/26	25.00	5.00	30.00
100 – DD 31/12/25	Unity Bank 054	Account fee 01/11/25- 30/11/25	6.00	0.00	6.00
101	Royal British Legion	Wreath Donation 2025	200.00	0.00	200.00
102	Parish Online 00CE009-0013	Mapping Software (annual fee- 29.10.25-29.10.26)	108.00	21.60	129.60
103	Parish Online 00CE009-0014	Website service 5.12.25-5.12.26	450.00	90.00	540.00
104	CDC 31518945	Concrete base for cycle stand	2530.00	0.00	2530.00
105	CDC 31516640	Two cradle seat replacements	260.00	52.00	312.00
106	Need a Hand 2220	Fitting of Christmas lights to trees near Blaxton Memorial	160.00	0.00	160.00
107	Chevron Traffic Management C01945	Blaxton Remembrance Parade- 9/11/25	2025.00	405.00	2430.00
					£7416.74

Payments Considered for Approval on 21 January 2026:- including contractual payments

<u>Voucher No</u>	<u>Payee/Invoice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
108	P Dennis	Salary January 2026	111.74	0.00	111.74
109	E Lear	Salary January 2026	597.31	0.00	597.31
109	E Lear	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance January 2026	20.00	0.00	20.00
110- DD 31/01/26	Nest GBP04548149238342010	Clerk's pension 01/01/26 – 31/01/26	21.26	0.00	21.26

<u>Voucher No</u>	<u>Payee/Invoice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
111	HMRC	HMRC M10	228.27	0.00	228.27
112 – DD 31/01/26	Ionos 203052739217	1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/01/26- 07/02/26	25.00	5.00	30.00
113 – DD 31/01/26	Unity Bank 055	Account fee 01/112/25- 31/112/25	6.00	0.00	6.00
114	CDC 31638429	Q3 Bin Emptying	186.24	37.25	223.49
115	Scribe 14373	Scribe Accounts Renewal	345.60	69.12	414.72
116	Walkers 884	2 x Daffodil Bulbs	5.83	1.16	6.99
117	Play Inspection Company 81317	Annual Play area inspection at Blaxton Playing Field	118.00	23.60	141.60
118	Play Inspection Company 81318	Annual Play area inspection at Joint Playing Field skate park	94.95	18.99	113.94
119	Bingham Ground Services Ltd SI-40	Deposit for supply and installation of Conipave trackway	9500.10	1900.02	11400.12
					£13315.44

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

- b) Bank Reconciliations at 30 November and 31 December 2025 – **Noted**
- c) Net Positions at 3 December 2025 and 5 January 2026 – **Noted**
- d) YLCA Training Programme (within Weekly News & Notifications) - circulated 24/11/25, 28/11/25, 08/12/25, 12/12/25, 19/12/25, 05/01/26 and 12/01/26 - **Noted**
- e) Council Website Review-
A document noting the findings of members when looking at the website was distributed prior to the meeting. The Clerk had made the changes which showed items which were incorrect, prior to the meeting. A discussion took place about the other findings.

RESOLVED (7)

That information on the playing fields and village hall needed to be expanded with Cllr Hill providing more information.

RESOLVED (8)

That the Asset Register and Risk Assessment titles are removed from the website.

RESOLVED (9)

That the Clerk produce a list of all items completed for future reference.

RESOLVED (10)

That the blaxtonpc.org.uk website will close down on the 7th of February 2026.

f) Climate Change & Sustainability –

1. Update on Cycle Repair Station- Awaiting further information from the manufacturer regarding the missing part and removable part.

RESOLVED (11)

That the Clerk will write to the company expressing disappointment that the cycle pump is not functional, copying in CDC who provided the funding for the equipment.

g) Mosham Road Improvements-

1. Mosham Road/ Gatehouse Lane junction- Clearance works for a new path which will go around the corner from Mosham Road to Gatehouse Lane have begun. The application for 350 houses on Mosham Road has been rejected and therefore no developments will take place as part of this. Members have found that the online planning file is difficult to navigate and understand

RESOLVED (12)

That the Clerk will request that CDC give a presentation about the development at and around the junction to members, in order that further discussions can take place.

RESOLVED (13)

That as the junction sits in Auckley Parish, Auckley Parish Council will be invited to attend any meeting that is organised.

2. Consideration of Response from Walker's Nurseries – no response had been received regarding a request for an in person meeting.

RESOLVED (14)

That the Clerk writes to Walker's Nurseries requesting a response to an in person meeting.

h) Offer of Christmas Tree- Cllr Hill reported that the residents had received advice from a tree expert saying that the tree would not survive being translocated.

RESOLVED (15)

That the project isn't progressed any further.

i) Communication with Residents-

1. Cllr Johnson reported that little space was available on the side of the post office for a noticeboard. No update had been received from Ward Members.

RESOLVED (16)

That Ward Members are requested to provide a response to if funding is available for a noticeboard.

j) Appointment of Internal Auditor- No response from the auditor

RESOLVED (17)

That if the auditor responds positively, that the appointment will be made.

k) Budget 2026/27 –By deducting the payments which will be made using the funds from the National Lottery and s106 funding, a budget was set.

RESOLVED (18)

That the budget for 2026/27 be approved, making the projected budget expenditure £30,244 for the year.

l) Precept 2026/27-

RESOLVED (19)

That the Precept for 2026/27 be set at £25,080 which represents a zero % increase for a band D property for 4 years in a row.

RESOLVED (20)

That the Precept information is publicised via the website and Facebook.

11. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**- none

It was noted that a planning consultation had been received from STEP Fusion for nuclear facility at West Burton but members are to look at individually.

12. **BLAXTON PLAYING FIELD**

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

The s106 payment had been authorised by CDC and should be in the bank account this week.

RESOLVED (21)

That advertising via the website and Facebook is carried out to inform people that the path works will commence shortly, after past consultation with the public.

b) Grass Cutting Quotation-

RESOLVED (22)

That the grass cutting quotation from Glendale Countryside Limited at £52.66 per cut (12 occasions per year) be accepted.

c) Bin Emptying Quotation-

RESOLVED (23)

That the bin emptying quotation from CDC for the emptying of the bin on the playing field plus the emptying of the bin on Mosham Road which will increase by 3.8% (weekly emptying throughout the year), be accepted.

d) Annual Play Inspection –

RESOLVED (24)

That the repeat order for the annual inspection for £123 be accepted.

e) Quotation for safety mats under swings- Council were asked to consider two quotes- one for under all four swings and one for under two swings.

RESOLVED (25)

That an order is placed with CDC for the replacement of safety mats under all four swings.

f) Quotation for replacement of roundabout bearing- two quotes had been received.

RESOLVED (26)

That an order is placed with CDC to replace the bearing at a cost of £456.

13. JOINT PLAYING FIELD

a) Future Management- No response had been received from FPC regarding providing BPC with half of the funds in the bank account at the time of the disbandment of the PFA in September 2023.

RESOLVED (27)

That the Clerk send an invoice to FPC for half of the funds in the PFA bank account at time of disbandment.

b) Registering the Blaxton portion of the JPF with HM Land Registry-

RESOLVED (28)

That the Council's solicitor is instructed to register that Blaxton portion of the JPF with HM Land Registry.

c) Bin Emptying Quotation

RESOLVED (29)

That the bin emptying quotation from CDC for the emptying of the bin on the playing field which will increase by 3.8% (weekly emptying throughout the year) be accepted if it is received.

d) Annual Play Inspection –

RESOLVED (30)

That the repeat order for the annual inspection of the skate park for £96.50 be accepted.

14. BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL

a) Village Hall Committee – **Next meeting 07/01/26-**

Cllr Steventon reported that the roof had been completed, paid for and the grant received.

A contract to export electricity can be looked into from April so they may start to look in to a battery with a request for Cllr Hill to advise.

The committee is in a good financial position as bookings are good.

The next meeting (AGM) will take place 29/04/26.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting
is scheduled to be held on
Wednesday 18 February 2026 in Blaxton Village Hall
at 19:00.

Meeting closed at 20.55

Chair: _____

Date: _____