

Welton Parish Council

Meeting held on Tuesday 17 February 2026

Minutes

Present: Cllrs Thane (in the Chair) Mills, Rix, Skinn, Taylor and Young.
Also present: Ward Cllrs Corless and Hopton.

Also in attendance was the Clerk.

Public Forum

No members of the public were in attendance.

2485 To receive apologies for absence at the meeting

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Barnfather, Brownlee, Hutchinson, Paterson, Pengelly and Rockett.

Resolved: that the absences of Cllrs Barnfather, Brownlee, Hutchinson, Paterson, Pengelly and Rockett be authorised.

Proposed by Cllr Skinn and seconded by Cllr Taylor.

2486 Declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests

- a) Cllr Thane expressed a non pecuniary interest in item 12 (minute 2496) as Editor of Welton, Melton and Waudby News;
- b) Cllr Skinn expressed a non pecuniary interest in item 11 (minute 2495) as a Trustee of the Memorial Hall.

2487 Dispensation requests

None received.

2488 East Riding of Yorkshire Ward Councilors report

Cllr Hopton discussed the following issues:

- Cowgate – soak away had been completed and the footpath repairs were due to be undertaken this week
- Yorkshire Water – outside of Memorial Club
- Kidd lane – post required repair
- Little Waudby Farm parking area – had now been completed
- Temporary lights at Melton – northern Powergrid were responsible
- A63 footpath clearance – a start had been made on the footpath clearance between Gibson Lane and the footbridge near the petrol station
- Brickyard Lane – bollard padlock issues and resident complaints
- Welton Waters – issues had been resolved
- Common Lane crossing – meeting to be held this week with Network Rail

Cllr Corless raised the following concerns:

- Welton Waters – a temporary water fix had been put in place
- A63 – litter on slip roads
- Melton West – complaints re parking of HGVs and cars

- Wildflower planting – residents felt Melton had been neglected. Suggestion was to apply for a parish grant.

Cllr Hopton left the meeting.

2489 Minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2026

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 January 2026 were agreed as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Taylor and seconded by Cllr Skinn.

2490 Finance

a) To note contractual payments listed below:

- I. £6.00 – Unity Bank charges – January
- II. £16.31 – mobile phone direct debit for January – EE
- III. £695.60 – Clerk Salary payment – February
- IV. £173.80 - Clerk PAYE - February

b) To approve payments

- I. £60.00 – Vision ICT – SSL Certificate
- II. £50.00 – Unity Bank Corporate Card fee
- III. £513.60 – Clearway

Resolved: that the payments be approved.

Proposed by Cllr Taylor and seconded by Cllr Young.

c) To note receipts

- I. £3,042.13 - HMRC VAT return

d) Quotes

- I. £4,097.00 including VAT from NuLawn and Shepperd Nursery for hanging baskets, which included planting the planters, installing and watering for approximately 16 weeks. The price also included removing them at the end of the summer.

Resolved: that planters for 2026 be approved at a total cost of £4097.00.

Proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Taylor.

- II. NuLawn – a quote for the improvements within Welton had been circulated and it was agreed that additional quotes would be required for the total amount of work to be undertaken. The priority of the works would be discussed further by Cllrs Young and Taylor and this would be added to the March 2026 agenda.

2491 Internal Audit

A quote had been received from Rackhams for the internal audit of the parish accounts for £570.00 including VAT.

Resolved: that Rackhams be approved as the Internal auditor for the 2025-2026 financial year.

Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Rix.

2492 Planning

To agree responses to the following consultations:

- a) Ref. No: 25/03532/PLF 7 Hall Walk Welton

Resolved: that the parish had no objections to the application.
Proposed by Cllr Young and seconded by Cllr Rix.

2493 Clerk's report

.gov.uk Email addresses – confirmation was required from Cllrs that the new emails had been set up. Cllrs discussed the use of the more secure email and requested that an alternative provider be explored.

Boundary changes 2027 – a further meeting was to be held with Elloughton cum Brough Clerk.

Defibrillators – There had been a response from 'The Circuit' regarding defibrillators within the Welton area and Joanne Watson from Yorkshire Ambulance Service reference the one located at The Green Dragon. The pub has registered it with Yorkshire Ambulance and The Circuit, although no checks have been put through since last year. It was agreed that the Clerk would make further contact with Yorkshire Ambulance and initial contact with the Green Dragon.

Unity Trust Bank Charges – charges would increase to £7.00 per month from 1 February 2026.

2494 Correspondence received and agree any action required

Noted.

2495 Memorial Hall

Discussions had been held between representatives from the Parish Council and the Memorial Hall Trustees and it had been agreed that the parish would continue to appoint five representatives and that Mr Jelle Zwemstra would be appointed on behalf of the parish. Formal appointment would take place during the March 2026 meeting.

A draft loan repayment document had been shared with the Memorial Hall Trustees, who had made minor amendments. It had also been discussed by the Finance and Policy Working Group, who recommended further adjustments to the document.

2496 Welton Melton and Waudby News

Cllrs were informed that the money received from advertisements would remain approximately the same as the previous year.

2497 Improve Areas around Welton Pond

As agreed under agenda item 6d (minute 2490d) further quotes would be required under the parish Financial Regulations for the total of the works to be undertaken. Cllrs Taylor and Young would meet to discuss breaking the work into smaller areas and setting priorities.

2498 Community Engagement

Cllr Young had created a resident survey, which would be circulated for comments. It was suggested that to reach more residents that paper copies be delivered with the Welton, Melton and Waudby News publication. It would also be circulated via social media, noticeboards and the parish website.

The proposed date of the village residents meeting was discussed with Friday 15 May 2026 being a suggested option. The Clerk would check the availability of the Memorial Hall.

2499 Melton Pond Update

Cllr Young had circulated proposals and the costing involved. The volunteer group would assess what their preferences were and further details would be obtained once choices had been made.

2500 Road Safety update

Cllrs discussed the parking issues on Holly Hill and it was explained there would be letter posted through the doors of the offending properties by the local policing team to hopefully resolve the concerns of vehicles obstructing pavements. Cllrs requested that a member of the police attend the parish meeting scheduled to take place in March 2026.

2501 Melton Christmas Tree

Melton residents had been asked to nominate a location for a Christmas tree.

2502 To receive any other items for note for future agendas

- Appoint a parish representative as a Trustee of the Memorial Hall
- Community Engagement
- Welton improvement works

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

2503 Date and time of Next Meeting: Tuesday 17 March 2026 at 7.00pm