

Nether Wyresdale Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting

29th January 2026 Scorton Methodist Chapel, 7.30pm

In attendance:

Cllr Elliott (Chair), Cllr Gledhill, Cllr Hesketh, Cllr Collinson

WBC Cllr Walker

Clerk - Roger Hacking

1 member of the public, representing the Village Hall, also attended.

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Atkinson, Cllr Thompson

PC Duff

LCC Cllr Tomlinson

2. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting

All Cllrs in attendance approved the minutes from the previous meeting.

3. Declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal / prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest or there is a disclosable pecuniary interest, then the individual member should not participate in a discussion or vote on the matter.
- No personal or prejudicial interest were declared.

4. Police Report

- No report received. (Clerk to request a report for the next meeting)

5. Matters Discussed

- **SPID installation** - Cllr Gledhill provided an update following the download of data on the 27 January 2026 from the device, which has been collecting traffic data from 26th November 2025. It is planned to move the device to one of the other posts in the Village. Summary of the data collected thus far showed the following:

Dates:	First 2 weeks of December:	First 2 weeks of January
Recordings:	(Spy mode)	(Display On)
Average Speed	21.41mph	20.68mph 3.5% reduction
Maximum Speed	63mph	39mph
Average of the Maximums	43.27mph	34.92mph 19% reduction

All the Cllrs commentated that they were pleased with the results as they show a reduction in the speed of cars driving in and out of Scorton Village along Station Lane.

- **Gate for the 'Permissive Path'** - from the St Peter's Church to Gubberford Lane. Funding has been awarded from the LCC Community Grant (£950), and confirmation has been received from St Peter's Church that the remaining funding will be provided by the Church PCC.
- **Wyre Borough Council Conservation Area consultation** – The Clerk informed the meeting that the PC had submitted a formal response, with the assistance of Mr P Drinnan, to WBC Planning Policy by the deadline date.
- **New Bank Account** – The Clerk informed the meeting that a new Community Bank account has been applied for with Lloyds Bank. It is expected that the new Account will be set up prior to the end of February.
- **Dolphinholme & Scorton Village Hall Donations** - it was agreed by all Cllrs that donations should be made to the two Village Halls as follows: Scorton £1,200, Dolphinholme £400. A cheque was handed to Scorton Village Hall.
- **Play Area Inspection Report** – The report has been received noting several Moderate Risks that will require attention. It was agreed that the Lengthsman would be asked to address these where possible.
- **Register of Interest Forms** – These have been forwarded to WBC Monitoring officer and will be posted to the NWPC Web Site
- **NWPC Web Site** – The resident attending the meeting noted that the Meeting Minutes that have been posted to the Web Site recently cannot be viewed. The Clerk is to investigate the issue. It was further suggested that the Clerk investigates the potential use of the Village Hall web site, as this may increase the readership.

6. Planning Applications and Notices

Application Number	Description	NWPC Comments
25/00741/FUL	Erection of agricultural storage building (resubmission of 07/00539/FUL) (pursuant to variation of condition 5 (Agricultural use) on permission ref (07/01069/FUL)	Objected. Determination Date: 4 Nov 2025 Following representation by a member of the public informing of the Class Q status and the agr. building being built in 2007, Cllrs have reviewed and confirmed their decision.

25/00753/FUL	Anglers Cottage Snowhill: Single storey rear extension to pair of cottages, new porch and pedestrian access to one	Determination Date: 17 Nov 2025
25/00754/LBC	Anglers Cottage Snowhill: Listed Building Consent for a single storey rear extension to pair of cottages, new porch and pedestrian access to one.	Determination Date: 17 Nov 2025
25/00960/FUL	Fell View Park Sykes Farm Long Lane Scorton Retention of lodge to be used in conjunction with agricultural use (Retrospective)	No objection Determination Date: 16 Jan 2026
25/00964/LBC	Wyresdale Park Snowhill Lane Listed building consent for proposed works to converted barn, replacement flooring, replacement staircase and balustrade, removal of timber panelling and radiators, removal of brickwork panels and pier	No objection Determination Date: 19 Jan 2026
25/01038/FUL	Lowood, Scorton Hall Park Erection of porch to existing granny annex and erection of domestic garage with home office following removal of existing stables	No objection Determination Date: 13 Feb 2026

Pending Decision:

Application number	Description	NWPC comments

Decision notices(status):

Application number	Description	Decision
22/01169/DIS	Woodside, Higher Lane Approval of details	Accepted
25/00744/FUL	Change of use of first floor above garage from ancillary to holiday accommodation and siting of external staircase (retrospective) Snowhill House	NWPC Comments submitted highlighting several concerns. Application Permitted With regard to the Glamping Pods NWPC is informed that

		WBC Planning are investigating the site. LCC Highways are concerned as to the road visibility on exiting the site.
25/00803/FUL	Stone Tree, The Square Rear Extension	No Objection Application Permitted
25/00807/LAWP	Broadfall, Gubberford Lane Proposed change of use of land from agricultural to forestry	No Objection Lawful
25/00867/FUL	Bracken Lea Farm, Trough Road Proposed erection of agricultural building & roof over existing cattle feed yard	No Objection Application Permitted
25/00868/AGR	Erection of an Agricultural building (silage) Bracken Lea Farm, Trough Road	No objection Prior Approval not Required
25/00869/AGR	Erection of an Agricultural building (machinery, hay) Bracken Lea Farm, Trough Road	No objection Prior Approval not Required
25/00876/LAWP	Scorton Hall, Factory Brow Lawful development certificate for installation of 12 solar roof panels	No Objection Lawful
25/00902/FUL	Scorton Hall, Factory Brow Conversion of existing garage to form additional living accommodation	Application Permitted
25/00920/FUL	Bluebell Barn, Higher Lane Proposed erection of two storey rear / side extension	No Objection Refused
25/01002/FUL	Brook Lodge Oakenclough Road Proposed two-storey side extension and single storey rear extension	Determination Date: 29 Jan 2026 Refused

Building Controls:

Application number	Description	Status
BN/25/10650	Fellside: Single storey rear extension	On-going

7. Highways

- It was noted that the hedges on Gubberford Lane require cutting back especially where the branches over hang the footpath, The Clerk to e:mail the Wyresdale Anglers.

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8. Lengthsman project updates

- Jobs undertaken:

Cleared leaves on Play fields and grids up Tithe Barn Lane

Cleared grids and leaves from kerbs on Long Lane

Cleared kerbs on roadsides Scorton

Cutting overhanging branches from bushes, litter pick and emptying bins

- Jobs to be done:

Remedial actions for the identified moderate risks in the Playground report

- Jobs Done under the PRow scheme

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9. Village Hall

- Mrs Golton (Village Hall) outlined several events that are being planned for the Village Hall Centenary celebrations. Cllr Hesketh confirmed that BBC Radio 4 production team for 'Any Questions' Programme have agreed to hold one of their programmes in Scorton Village Hall. Fast Broadband will be required by the production team. Cllr Hesketh agreed to assist in coordinating the Centenary Events and in procuring the required Broadband facility.

10. Financial & Governance Matters

- **Payments Made:**

Lengthsman December invoice - £766.50

The Play Inspections Company - £113.94

TEEC (Web Site & email hosting) - £223.20

Scorton Village Donation - £1,200.00

- **Current Account Balance & Forecast:**

Balance on 2 January 2026: **£24,857.22**

End of Year Balance Forecast given current expenditure and assuming budget spent in full: **£14,930**

- **Governance:**

The Parish Council is required to publish on our web sites copies of the Cllr's Declaration of Interest forms.

11. Any Other Business

- Wyre Borough Council is planning to organise a meeting in the Village to present the plans for the new Household Food Waste Service. Clerk to arrange a date with WBC Daniel Matthews (Waste Minimisation Officer)
- It was agreed that the Cockerham Football Club (Juniors) could make use of the playing field behind the Methodist Chapel on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. The football club will erect goal posts and maintain the field. Cllr Collinson agreed to liaise with the football club (Paul Davis) to finalise arrangements.
- Cllr Hesketh volunteered to review the recently published Forest of Bowland 5 year management plan to understand if there will be any impact on the NW Parish Area.
- The Clerk will try and arrange a meeting with WBC Head of Planning to discuss several planning decisions / issues that have arisen recently.

12. Public Participation

- A resident requested that the posts installed for the SPIDs be painted black to match the other posts etc in the Village, it was agreed that this should be done. Cllr Collinson to action the Lengthsman.

13. Date of next meeting

- 12th March 2026

14. Dates for 2026:

- May 7th includes AGM
- June 25th
- Sept 3rd
- Oct 8th
- Nov 5th PRECEPT