

# *Sowerby Parish Council*

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Sowerby Parish Council held on  
Thursday 13th March at 7.30pm in Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall Annexe.

**Present:** Cllr M Robson, Chairman; Cllr P Bardon; Cllr Y Bowling; Cllr S Hoyland; Cllr A Jackson; Cllr C Snowden; Cllr S Storm and Cllr K Till.

**Also present:** One member of the public; Cllr D Sladden, NYC and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

24/113 Members of the public to raise any items of importance (maximum of 10 minutes)

A resident made representation regarding the one way system on Sowerby Road, which was put in place to support traffic management order a S14 Road Traffic Act Temporary Order for imminent works. They asked what is happening and would highways issue a clear statement regarding when the works will take place and confirmation that the two way movement will resume. Cllr Sladden will look into this and the Clerk will also request an update from Area2.

24/114 To receive apologies for absence and declarations of interest

**It was resolved that apologies be received and accepted from Cllr A Turner**

Cllr. Beadle was not present. Cllr. Hoyland declared an interest in planning application ZB25/00384/CAT.

24/115 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13th February 2025

**It was resolved that minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13th February 2025 be approved**

24/116 No report from North Yorkshire Police had been received.

24/117 To receive a report from North Yorkshire Council on items of relevance to Sowerby

Cllr Sladden had provided a report in advance of the meeting.

Discussion took place regarding the matters raised at the last meeting and feedback provided in Cllr. Sladdens report.

An updated bus timetable for 30/32 is not available yet.

Cllr Sladden will look into the following items:

- Street light columns on Front Street need to be cleaned, which was done by the District Council in the past.
- Potholes on the road surface of Front Street are in need of attention.

24/118 To consider Planning Applications

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24/119 Financial Matters

1. To Note Receipts
2. To Note and Approve Payments

**It was resolved that payments be made and receipts noted**

24/120 To update council on matters arising from minutes for information only

A Tree Condition report was completed on Tuesday 11th March and details will be shared with the council when this is received.

24/121 To receive correspondence for information only

1. A letter of thanks for the Honorary Citizen Award had been received from Maureen and John Worley.
2. A response from Highways regarding the issues with the footpaths on Kings Meadows had been received advising they were monitoring the condition of the path.
3. Feedback had been received from a resident regarding the height of a hedge on Dondeen Avenue and the laurel hedge has now been cut back and lowered.

Signed  
Chairman  
Date

# *Sowerby Parish Council*

24/122 To receive reports from Committees and Organisational Representatives

There is a vacancy on the Town Hall Committee which will be filled at the Annual Meeting.

24/123 Any other business that may be legally discussed

*Items requiring a decision will be placed on a future agenda*

1. Back Lane highways improvements are underway
2. The Chief Executive of Community Works has resigned and a vacancy has been advertised.
3. A tree opposite Holyrood on Flatts Trust lane is damaged and some branches are laid down, the contractor will be asked to do this. Councillors also noted the good job done on the hedgeway on Blakey Lane.
4. Interpretation boards will be cleaned.
5. Blakey Lane Bridge road closure information has been circulated.

24/124 Date of next meeting

**It was resolved that the date of next meeting will be Thursday 10th April 2025 at 7.30pm**

The meeting closed at 20:05

## **Appendix i Planning**

Submission of a response to ZB24/02454/HYB had been made following the last meeting and collating of comments from councillors.

**It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wish to see this application refused**

ZB25/00384/CAT Application for works to trees in a Conservation Area - Fell pear tree and reduce size of magnolia bush/tree.

24 South Terrace Sowerby Thirsk North Yorkshire YO7 1RH

**It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wish to see this application approved**

ZB25/00263/CAT Application for works to a tree in a Conservation Area - Fir tree.

10 Blakey Close Sowerby Thirsk North Yorkshire YO7 1JL

**It was resolved that Sowerby Parish Council wish to see this application approved**

Signed  
Chairman  
Date