

Preston Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Preston Parish Council, held at Preston Community Hall, Main Street, Preston

13th January 2025

Councillors present:

Cllr Ireland (Chair)
Cllr Bannister
Cllr Bayliss
Cllr Dobson
Cllr Fortnum
Cllr Fox
Cllr Hodge
Cllr Hull
Cllr Plumb
Cllr M Wing

Clerk/RFO: K Dawson Ward Cllrs: 0 Public: 2

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

2025/1/1 To receive and approve apologies for absence. Apologies tendered by Cllrs: Williams, McLane and Ombler. Ward Cllr Gallant.

2025/1/2 To receive Declaration of Interest forms from Cllrs RD, AB, IP and SH. Received. The Clerk will forward these onto ERYC.

2025/1/3 Declaration of Interests - a. To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

Cllr TH declared a pecuniary interest in two planning applications.

b. To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the agenda items below. All Councillors to discuss the precept.

2025/1/4 Public Participation including Police and Ward Councillors present.
It was agreed to move agenda item 13 into public participation to allow PF, Chair of the Traffic Group to speak. A meeting was held on 13th December 2024 between Cllr II, PF, Ward Cllr Steel and L. Hammond to discuss the crossroads, HGV's, road markings, parking, ANPR/SIDS. A new initiative 'SNAP' allows the public to submit dashcam footage to the police. The CCTV camera in situ is ERYC owned. Footage may be requested by the Clerk or Chairman. Funding is available for cameras with 50% match funding required.

2025/1/5 To confirm the minutes of the Preston Parish Council meeting held 9/12/2024.
The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman. The Clerk will upload minutes when access to the website is sorted.

2025/1/6 Clerk's Report and Correspondence.
The clerk is officially in post. Office hours are: Monday and Friday by appointment only. Wednesday 10am – 3pm open to all.

A list of 2025 meeting dates has been circulated.

Notice boards, the website and office signage will be updated in due course.

Councillors can now use the office telephone 01482 899411 and the parish council email address. The Clerks personal email and mobile will be for emergencies only and for councillors ONLY.

ERNLLCA can provide training for all councillors at between £4 to 500 for up to 3 hours. It is important as many councillor's as possible attend. Mondays and Wednesdays are likely in March. Training can accommodate up to 25 delegates. Other councils could be inviteed.

A quote is awaited from Kompan regarding the high risk item mentioned in the play inspection report plus a few rubber mats.

The Public Space Protection Order renewal lays in the hands of ERYC and comes into effect on 1st September 2025. They are aware of our intention to prohibit dogs. Promotion of this may be advisable in the interim. The police has been asked for their feedback on this change. Cllr MW has made contact with the dog warden to arrange an on-site meeting and will take the lead on this matter.

A resident has contacted ERYC and PPC about five street lights on the footpath from Station Rd to Watkinson Close. These are PPC owned. The Clerk will request a price for a repair to be carried out.

The defibrillator is now rescue ready.

The Clerk has a huge back log of work to wade through whilst keeping the day to day running of the office up to date. Cllrs were asked for patience as matters are being prioritised.

2025/1/7

Councillor's brief update from previous meeting.

Cllr MW: The low number of grit bins in the village was highlighted. The Clerk will do an audit of bins and enquire if builders will supply at the new sites. Did the Oak Road bin ever get replaced as authorised?

Cllr MF: The Kissing Gate on Nuns Walk is broken. Cllr II will take photos and liaise with the Clerk re: kissing gate and path/road crossing Nuns Walk to Staithes Road.

Cllrs SH/MW: A ditch and grills on Weghill Road have been cleared by a concerned member of the public. The Clerk will seek advice from the IDB as to whose responsibility it is and request they do future clearing. The public shouldn't be expected to do this.

The Play Inspection Company has submitted a full report of their findings to the Clerk. Cllrs RD and SH are interested in doing local inspections along with the caretaker. A copy of the report will be circulated to Cllrs RD/SH and MC.

2025/1/8

To approve payment schedule for all outstanding invoices to date.

Payment schedule circulated and attached to the minutes. All payments approved for payment.

2025/1/9

To approve recommendations from Budget meeting.

A statement by the Chair was read out. Discussions held identified the need to increase the budget for the PPC to survive and provide what it can for the village and in consideration of the income loss when Preston South goes to Hedon TC and the auditors comments regarding low reserves. Expenditure was listed with projected figures for the next financial year. All present, were in agreement to make a significant but appropriate rise.

2025/1/10

To consider and agree Preston Parish Council precept for 2025 – 2026.

Preston Parish Council agreed unanimously a precept of £90,000 for April 2025 to March 2026. Based on the tax base set at 1,160.00, a Band D property in Preston is £77.58. The Precept demand was signed by the Chair and Clerk.

2025/1/11 Planning Applications and Notice of Decisions.

Application 24/02835/PAD, Preston Convenience Store, 2 Main Street, Preston. Approved with comments suggesting the applicant and conservation officer liaise further to resolve any conservation issues.

Cllr TH left the meeting for the next two applications, having declared a pecuniary interest.

Application 24/03543/PLF. 1 Field House Barns, Neat Marsh Road, Preston. Approved.

Application 24/03716/PLB. 1 Field House Barns, Neat Marsh Road, Preston. Approved.

Cllr TH returned.

Application 24/03387/STPLF. Land North of Westfield View, Staithes Road, Preston.

Approved with comments asking if all involved can liaise regarding the footpath being re-routed.

Application 24/03644/PLF. The Gables, 1 Rectory Lane, Preston. Approved.

Application 24/03589/PLF. Spacemaker Modular And Portable Building Limited Unit B Ferndale Park Newfields Industrial Estate Century Road Saltend. No Comment.

The clerk will respond to each application on behalf of the PPC.

2025/1/12 To approve insurance premium for parish tractor.

The renewal fee is £535.73. It was agreed the Clerk will source another quote from another insurer and proceed with the best service provider.

025/1/13 Road safety matters and updates. Already discussed.

2025/1/14 Yorkshire Energy Park update.

Cllr TH will observe developments on this and the Carbon Pipeline matters.

2025/1/15 Items for the next agenda (10.2.25).

Allotments – officer, deposit and review fees

Cemetery – review fees

VE Day celebrations

Terms of reference for Personnel Committee

Finance committee

Emergency plan review

Property inspectors

2025/1/16 The Chairman will move the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business pursuant to Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. None present.

IN CAMERA (confidential)

2025/1/17 Staff matters.

Amendments to the clerk/RFO's newly appointed job offer were noted and approved. A formal contract of employment will be drawn up comprising: 18 hours per week plus 2 hours for PPC meeting once a month. Working Mon, Wed (open to the public) and Fri. 1 months notice, 6 month probation period with consideration of pension enrolment after the 6 month period. Holidays as standard and SCP 29 agreed.

Meeting closed at 8.56pm. End.

Payee	Description	Invoice No:	Nett	VAT	Total	Method
Preston Parish Council		Jan-25				
Kcom	Telecoms	BUS001861863	49.99	9.99	59.98	DD
D & S L Fules	Gas Oil	101917	201.08	10.05	211.13	BP
Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - Nov	1977/2024	30.00		30.00	BP
Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire _Oct	1958/2024	20.00		20.00	BP
Preston Community Hall	Hall Hire - Sept	1941/2024	20.00		20.00	BP
Preston Community Hall	Garage Hire fee	1949/2024	100.00		100.00	BP
Preston Community Hall	Electric Oct 23 - Apr 24	1882/2024	963.09		963.09	BP
Preston Community Hall	Electric Aug 24 - Sept 24	1948/2024	48.73		48.73	BP
Preston Community Hall	Electric Sept 24 - Nov 24	1967/2024	74.76		74.76	BP
Preston Community Hall	Electric Nov 24 - Dec 24	1968/2024	21.33		21.33	BP
Tony Styche	Tractor oil leak repairs		202.00	40.40	242.40	BP
Clr ireland - Sandhills	Clerks flowers		25.00	5.00	30.00	BP
Sandhill Garden Centre	Supplies		40.07	8.02	48.09	BP
Preston Patter	November advert	122/24	50.00		50.00	BP
Preston Patter			27.50		27.00	BP
ERNLLCA	Training - Pt 1 & pt2	1915	20.00	4.00	24.00	BP
Tractor insurance			535.73		535.73	BP
Salaries	KD 15 hrs and MC				849.81	BP
HMRC					171.52	BP
Phonenix	Payroll	6106	25.00	5.00	30.00	BP
					<u>3,527.57</u>	

Preston playing field trust

Business Stream	PPF/pavilion/prems	6663820	134.29		134.29	BP
Corona energy	PPF/ Nov 24	2593628	1.78	0.09	1.87	DD
Corona energy	PPF/Oct 24	2542137	56.01	2.80	58.81	DD
Play Inspection report	The P.I company	73543	125.00	25.00	150.00	BP
					<u>344.97</u>	

Preston Traffic Group report

On 13th December, Ian, Cllr Sue Steel and I had a meeting with Leo, Assistant Police and Crime Commissioner. We walked up to the crossroads as he wanted to see the destruction of 4 Main Street by a HGV illegally using Main Street. We also discussed the Chapel wall and all the problems we have had at the crossroads. We also discussed the problems of HGVs passing at the crossroads and the promise we had had from ERYCC that they would move the stop line further back on Staithes Road.

The main concerns of residents were the number of HGVs illegally using Main Street and the situation regarding illegal parking, etc outside Al Capone's. Leo asked how many HGVs used Main Street illegally and the response was that there are so many that we would have to sit there all day taking photographs. We pointed out to him the camera on what used to be Blacksmith's Arms and discussed what information was being collated from the camera, as we hoped that that would have captured illegal parking and HGVs. Leo said that he would contact ERYC to see what information is being captured but he also suggested the use of ANPR at the crossroads to capture HGVs.

We also spoke about SIDs and how they could be of use to us. Leo stated that ERYC are talking about Parish Councils being able to obtain SIDs that could be moved around different sites in the village. However, like all things, this comes at a cost.

We asked Leo about Community Speed Watch. Up until now we have been told that we couldn't be part of the CSW group as we already have Safer Roads Humber doing speed checks in the village and that it would be a conflict of interest. However, he is very much on our side and is trying to get CSW to work hand in hand with SRH.

Leo also raised the new initiative by the police, SNAP, whereby members of the public can forward to the police traffic violations caught on camera/dash-cams, etc. In fact, last week we received an email from Sgt Dunning-Davies stating that he had submitted dashcam footage of a van illegally parked on the zig-zags near the zebra crossing and the driver had been successfully prosecuted and fined, showing that it does work. We need to 'get the word out' to residents that submitting hard evidence to the police does bear fruit.

When we closed the meeting, Leo agreed to: look at getting ERYC to move forward with moving the stop line on Staithes Road, asking ERYC what information they are getting from the camera on Main Street and what they are doing with it, SIDs and how it would improve the situation throughout the village, and monitoring HGVs through Main Street.

We would like to thank Cllr Steel for her help in facilitating the meeting and look forward to working with the Ward Councillors in the future.