

SWINTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE SWINTON READING ROOMS
AT 7.30PM ON**

WEDNESDAY 14th January 2026

PRESENT: Councillors V Farrow (Chair), J Bentley, A Thomas and R Harrison

IN ATTENDANCE: Rachel Smith (Clerk) Cllr Steve Mason

25.31 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Representative from Karbon Homes James Kilroy invited but did not attend

25.32 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

25.33 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

1 members of the public

David Cuthbertson advised there are ongoing concerns about the damage caused to the road leading to the sports centre and to the sports centre car park, yet no progress has been made. The issues are be linked to the tankers contracted by Yorkshire Water. The sports centre is in dialogue with Yorkshire Water, but so far, they have received no satisfactory response to their concerns.

25.34 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 24th November 2025

The minutes were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as being a true and accurate record.

25.35 KARBON HOMES

Karbon Homes to arrange a community meeting in March for residents to understand the application process.

25.36 YORKSHIRE WATER

Cllr Mason, Cllr Harrison, Cllr Thomas and the Parish Clerk have all contacted Yorkshire Water, but no satisfactory progress has been made regarding the damage caused in the village in 2025. Yorkshire Water tankers have now returned to the village, and Cllr Farrow advised that this is expected to continue for the foreseeable future. It was noted that no more than two tankers should be in the village at any one time.

A general discussion took place between Cllr Mason and other councillors concerning the condition of Rob Harrison's access drive to his farm and the impact of Yorkshire Water's sewage works linked to the new development.

25.37 **CLLR MASON**

Swinton Main Road- Cllr Mason advised that he is currently in discussion with Highways regarding the potential of the installation of a refuge on the Main Road. This will be dependent on available funding.

Vehicle Activation Sign (VAS)

Cllr Mason reported that Habton, Hovingham, Barton-le-Street and Slingsby have all signed up to the VAS scheme and invited Swinton to join. The Parish Council agreed to participate. The VAS will rotate between the villages and will require volunteers. It will be solar-powered and operated under a five-year contract.

Yorkshire Water

Cllr Mason confirmed that he has visited Swinton to review the issues relating to Yorkshire Water. He is in ongoing correspondence with them, but there has been no progress to date. He will continue to liaise.

Development Sites

Cllr Mason advised that we need to remain informed about any actions or updates concerning sites in our area

General Parish Matters

Cllr Mason noted that the Parish Council can contact him at any time regarding any issues or concerns affecting Swinton.

25.38 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- (a) To receive and approve the current financial statement
- (b) To note and approve payments
- (c) To approval the Parish Precept

•	Clerks Salary	Standing Order	£200.00
•	HMRC (Tax)	Internet Banking	£50.00

RESOLVED

- (i) **That Two accounts be approved for payment**

25.39 PLANNING MATTERS

2 Plannning applications received

APPLICATION NO: ZE25/01329/FUL

APPLICANT: Mr And Mrs Milburn

DESCRIPTION: Erection of a welfare unit

LOCATION: Land East Of Swinton Lane Swinton Nort Yorkshire YO17 6QR

APPLICATION NO: ZE25/01274/HOUSE

APPLICANT: Mr D. Hague (c/o Mr H. Hague)

DESCRIPTION: Erection of single storey rear extension

25.40 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2025/2026

Gail Cook was confirmed to be the Parish auditor for 2025/2026

25.41 PARISH MATTERS

(a) STREETLIGHTS

Street light top of East Street opposite the widening of the road, No update

(b) HIGHWAYS ISSUES

NYC contacted and confirmed will look to repair depending on
Funding in relation to the Footpath – East Street to Pearsons Yard
NYC, confirmed will repair the footpath between Cherry Avenue & Apple Garth
Letters sent to residents of Pearson Yard regarding parking
Resident concerns regarding the junction of Swinton Lane and the Malton Road
Due to Road traffic accident when we had bad Weather
Cllrs confirmed this was a Highways issue.

(c) VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

Slow Down Children Playing sign on Cherry Avenue post is rotten to replace –
Progressing
Ditch from Low Lane to Sport Centre – full of debris
Clerk to enquire who it belongs to and request clearance

(d) PARISH COUNCIL SHEDS

Payments up to date.
Rent review completed, Cllrs's agreed rent to be increased from 1/4/2026
Clerk to issue letters to tenants in February.

25.42 NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Emails are being sent to Clerk and forwarding to Cllrs
Updates added to the Swinton website

25.43 SWINTON PLAY AREA

- The weekly playground inspection rota has been completed.
- The zip wire has been damaged: the seat and the rubber protection around the chain have broken, reportedly due to an adult using the equipment.
- The play area sign, which lists contributors to the play park, has a rotten and broken post.
- Several pieces of gym equipment require minor repairs.
- The basket swings also need a small repair.
- The Clerk will contact Streetscape and Image Playground to obtain quotes.

25.44 REPRESENTATIVES

None.

25.45 MEMBERS QUESTIONS

None

25.46 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Yorkshire Water
Karbon homes

25.47

DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 11th March 2026, 7.30pm at Swinton Reading Rooms

Chair of Swinton Parish Council

Signature