

**Hebden Parish Council Minutes for meeting
held Wednesday 10th September 2026 in the Ibbotson
Institute at 7.30pm**

Apologies: Cllr Ferguson

Present: Cllr Sykes, Chairman, Cllr Joy, Cllr Davey, Cllr Wilson

The Minutes of the Meeting 3rd August 2026 which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and approved and signed off.

Planning applications -None

Matters Arising:

Update on YW and water supply

After Cllr Sykes had repeatedly tried to contact them, YW have said they are coming on Tuesday 22nd September to make the connections. It is not thought that there should be much traffic disruption. It is hoped that the Toilet can be opened shortly after. Cllr Sykes has made a draft notice (see enclosed) that is planned Mrs Jan Ferguson will design. Cllr Wilson will buy toilet rolls and cleaning materials etc. from Asda. She will liaise with Mrs Ives who said she'd undertake the cleaning. Cllr Sykes is looking for a lockable cupboard in which to keep these materials.

E-on next disputed account The Clerk had been explaining to them that there was no standing charge due to the building having been semi derelict for many years. Finally an e-on representative agreed to look into this matter and revise the invoice from £439.86 and get back to the Clerk. It was agreed by Cllrs that since the smart meter had been installed on 19/07/25 and it showed no electric use till 17/04/26 then this would be a starting point. The missed payment charges were to be dropped. He said on the 15th he'd send a new invoice for £141.91. It was agreed by the Cllr to pay this and then see about getting the cheapest tariff plus a DD payment to further reduce costs. Cllr Sykes had spoken with the utility company busy installing new sewers that the stones they had moved should be placed back in the beck.

YDNPA SDF update The grant won't be paid until the Toilet is open and it was agreed to send photographs of the inside and out to prove this.

YDMT and the scrape The Clerk had at last got an email from Eva (see enclosed) to the Council that the work would be paid for by the charity. She will check with Eva who is to do the work. Mr Buckley has said he can do the digging and the Council could arrange for the fencing. Planning consent will be needed and the Clerk thought that YDMT were arranging this for an agreed fee of £35. She will check. While there will be an area of topsoil removed from the meadow Cllr Wilson thought it should be cut. Mr G Herd will be asked to do this.

Correspondence - Bowland ecology had written asking permission to undertake the same surveys during September on the beck as last year and the Clerk had replied there were no objections but the Council would like to have the results.

Cllr Wilson said there had been an oil leak into the beck that was thought to have come from the oil tank of the Clarendon Hotel ?

Accounts

Bank statement c/a 01/09/26 £2755.26

s/a 01/09/26 £1985.47

Beck balance £1755 Orchard balance £1893

Payments received

NYC Locality Budget grant from Cllr Foster £400.00

Mrs H Dye donation for telephone box paint £25.00

Payments for approval

Stuart Naylor playground £108 verge £108 and Town Hill £37

+VAT £50.60 June & July £303.60

Stuart Naylor New graveyard £128.0 +VAT £25.60 £153.60

All Signage 2 signs for cyclists ££ 61.94 + YDNPA £20.31

+VAT £26.45 £158.70

JACS for tel refurb reimburse R Howard £22.95 +VAT £4.59 £27.54

Sheila Ely reimburse Laptop +set up £449.97

David Hill Stewardship claim £155.80 +£31.16 VAT £186.96

SLCC annual subs £76.00

ROSPA annual survey and report £83 +VAT £16.60 £99.60

The Cllrs approved these payments.

The Clerk will write to Cllr Foster to thank him for the special Locality payment of £400 from NYC to help with Toilet costs. She will also write to Mrs Dye to thank her for the £25 donation for the telephone paint.

The Charity Commission returns: The Clerk handed out the figures used to make the two returns for the Greens and Parish Lands. The totals had been checked against the Year End Summary. The Cllrs agreed to the workings so she will make the online return.

Any other matters

ROSPA report had just been downloaded and printed off. The Clerk had checked it briefly and there was no high risk ratings. The new fence was given top score. There are still a few trip hazards that the addition of some gravel should remove.

Clerk vacancy- there have been no applicants to date.

Cllr Sykes felt that the grants for students from the Beckett and Ibbotson charity should be better advertised.

Cllr Davey was receiving emails about our data information. He will delete in the future

Cllr Wilson had been approached by Mrs P Kitching about parking at the

bottom of Church Lane. Parking is an ongoing problem the Council has previously tried to solve without success. She will be asked to place cones where she thinks is appropriate.

Northallerton archives now has the Enclosure map.

Date of next meeting

Wednesday 28th October at 7.30pm in the Institute