

Bilbrough Parish Council

Minutes for the meeting of Bilbrough Parish Council held on

Tuesday 12th May 2026 At 7.30pm in the Village Hall

1. Apologies and Declarations :

Present: Cllrs Noble, Paradine, Davison, Wilkinson

Apologies: Cllr Ellis – approved absence

In attendance: Carol Lillingston (clerk)

2. Election of Posts :

The following posts were confirmed for the coming year:

	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>/ Seconded</u>
Chair – Elliott Noble	Cllr Paradine	/ Cllr Davison
Vice Chair – Katy Paradine	Cllr Noble	/ Cllr Wilkinson
Planning – Rebecca Davison	Cllr Noble	/ Cllr Wilkinson
Finance – John Wilkinson	Cllr Noble	/ Cllr Paradine
Playing Field – Sandy Ellis	Cllr Noble	/ Cllr Wilkinson

3. Public Session: no-one in attendance

4. Statutory matters:

Standing orders – accepted

Financial regulations – accepted

Annual Governance - accepted

Privacy and accessibility - accepted

Information Governance & Data Protection Compliance - accepted

FOI Publication Scheme and Transparency Code statement - accepted

Councillor roles and responsibilities - accepted

5. Reports:

County councillor – no report as councillor did not attend

Community Police/Neighbourhood report – no report. Councillors agreed that a follow-up meeting with Deputy Mayor for Policing Jo Coles should be arranged to progress discussions of traffic issues occurring in the village due to diversions from the A64. **Action: Clerk**

6. Minutes of last meeting:

Proposed: Cllr Noble Seconded: Cllr Davison

7. Matters arising:

- School bus: Cllr Paradine updated the meeting on issues parents are still experiencing regarding school bus passes. The Parish Council will continue to monitor the situation and is willing to provide letters of support; anyone requiring one should contact the clerk.
- Traffic: Cllr Noble again asked residents to provide photographs or videos as evidence to add strength to any meetings or conversations with the authorities regarding the traffic issues in the village.
- Big Bear Run – confirmed for Sunday 16th August 2026.
Road closures will be in place that day, and local leaflets will provide details.
- Seed bank in the telephone box – the PC invites anyone interested in taking this on as a project to contact the clerk. Costs will be covered by the PC.

8. Representative reports:

Village Hall – The AGM took place in April. The Chair position and one other trustee role are now vacant. New trustees are needed.

Funding in the form of a grant is being sought for various works that need to be carried out.

Playing Field – A site check will take place soon, and councillors will meet to discuss the park around the play equipment, which needs replacing.

9. For Discussion

The 2025/26 Accounts and Annual Governance Statement have been approved. The Certificate of Exemption will be submitted to the External Auditor, and relevant documents will be uploaded to the website in due course. **Action: Clerk**

10. Information sharing:

Banking – the Parish Council are keen to move away from cheques to internet banking and will be arranging a meeting with the bank to discuss and arrange this. **Action : Clerk**

11. Planning:

NYCC has reopened its Call For Sites for a period of 6 weeks from 11th May 2026 – 22nd June 2026.

Applications pending/awaiting decision:

- Land off Old Street, Bilbrough – application for change of use with provision of 1 mobile home and 2 touring caravans, plus erection of stables and welfare unit (retrospective).
Cllr Davison passed on information at the meeting, regarding a police visit to the site on 28th April; items removed from the site as evidence.
- Grey Gables – outline application for detached house – appeal pending
- The Three Hares - second appeal pending

Applications for consideration - nothing to report

Applications Approved

- Land where Old Piggery was - (retrospective planning) for change of use to a mixed use of gypsy and traveller residential and equestrian, with the provision of 1 mobile home and 2 touring caravans and erection of stables and welfare unit. Dated 18/05/2026.

Applications withdrawn/refused

- Cat Lane – installation of gates and fencing around boundary and positioning of storage container
Refused due to siting and scale of the containers. The applicant had failed to submit sufficient information of proposed fencing by way of elevation. Not within keeping of the greenbelt.
- Rose Cottage – refused
- Redhill House – partial demolition and erection of 5 houses including 1 self-build unit with vehicular access and landscaping.

12. Clerks report, finance, income and precept

A payment has been made to the YLCA for a webinar and there are unpresented cheques totalling £652.00. Total funds stand at £8,394.30, of which £1,182.03 is earmarked for playing field equipment. Full details will be posted in due course on the website with the minutes.

Confidential item

The Clerk's salary was reviewed. It was resolved to approve an increment in accordance with the National Association of Local Councils pay scale.

13. Agenda items for next meeting:

Playing field

Police/Highways

14. Date of next meeting:

Tuesday 14th July 2025 at 7.30pm Bilbrough Village Hall