Cowling Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Cowling Parish Council held at 7.00pm on Monday 02 Mar 2026 at The Village Hall, Cowling. Minutes subject to confirmation at the meeting of Cowling Parish Council to be held on 07 April 26

Linda Whitehead, Clerk, RFO and Proper Officer, 09 Mar 2026 L.A.Whitehead

194 Present

To note attendees. Chairman P. Weatherhead, Vice Chair C.Zeyrek, Cllr C.Emmott, Cllr E.Hall, Cllr A.Brown, Clerk L.Whitehead, 1 member of the public.

195 Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies for absence and reasons given to the Clerk prior to the meeting. Apologies received from Cllr O.Lewis, Lengthsman Scott Mason & Gillian Taylor.

i. The Parish Council approved the reasons for absence presented to the Clerk before the meeting.

195 Declaration of Interests

To record any Councillors disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI) or other interests in relation to items on this agenda. **None received.**

To consider any Councillor requests for dispensations. **None received.**

196 Minutes

To approve minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 02 Feb 2026.

Resolved: that the minutes of Cowling Parish Council are a true and accurate record of the meeting.

197 Public Participation

Members of the public may address the council on matters within the council's remit; maximum total time allowed of 15 minutes. **None received.**

198 Invited Guest(s).

Councillor A.Brown; PCO A.Jefferson, Members of the Recreation Group Management Group.

- Cllr Brown notified the meeting that he is still to receive his £5,000 locality grant which parishes can request from Cllr Brown, note the total grant is £5,000 to be shared by 5 parishes.
- Speed cameras in village may be positioned in North Yorkshire. It has taken dedicated people including Cllr Brown 4 yrs to achieve this. Still need public support and keep pushing with other support groups.

199 Report from Clerk

The clerks report will be reported at various sections throughout the meeting.

200 Report from Lengthsman

a. Nothing to report

201 Recreation Ground Management Committee

a. Review costs for drainage works at entrance to the main recreation ground.
   i. Quotes not complete so moved to next meeting.
b. Request from the RGMC for the Parish Councillor to purchase dog waste bags and dispensers.
   i. **Outcome:** The majority of councillors present at the meeting do not support the purchase of dispensers and suggest that dog owners should use their own bags.
c. Need for professional company to clear gullies.?
   i. Due to oil being poured into one of the gullies by unknown individuals and general soil stones etc one gully keeps blocking up.
   Resolved: that Cllr CEmmott will try and unblock using rods.
d. Shed has no electricity supply, discuss investigations.

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i. **Resolved:** Cllr Zeyrek obtained access to the premises containg the electric meter and turned the electric back on.

202 Speeding

a. See Cllr Brown section 198.

203 Planning

To consider plannings applications below:

Ref.	Location:	Proposal:	CPC comment	Response Deadline
26/00604/FUL	1 Carr Meadows Cowling North Yorkshire BD22 0BR	Householder permission for a single storey side and single storey rear extension	The PC Support application	08 Mar
26/00704/FUL	Land To The South Of Laycock Fields Cowling Keighley BD22 0DR	Full planning permission for residential development consisting of 8 dwellings, off street parking, soft landscaping and associated infrastructure.	No comment	12 Mar
26/00745/FUL	Stone Head Farm Stone Head Lane Cowling North Yorkshire BD22 0LZ	Full planning permission for change of use of store to domestic ancillary store (retrospective)	No comment	12 Mar
26/00810/FUL	Baywood House Dick Lane Cowling North Yorkshire BD22 0JZ	Full planning permission for single-storey side and rear extension	The PC Support application	15 Mar

204 Finance

To approve payment of the following invoices presented for payment: (*to be ratified)

Payee	Invoice Number	Date	Details	**Total £**
Clerk	4559	21/2/26	Keys cut	**20.00**
Village Hall	CPC26001	25/02/26	Room Hire x 2	**63.00**
C Zeyrek	25047	02/3/26	Keys cut	**24.00**

205 Allotments

New allotments Update

i) All allotments now allocated and water will be in place as soon as ground hardens.

ii) The council have received comments regarding the access path to the allotments. **Update:** the council will arrange a tidy up to the path and make it wider.

206 Tree Approvals for Conservation Areas

a. Winkholme, Nan Scar & Middleton (conservation area)

i. All tree applications approved and new treesto will be planted at top of Nan Scar.

ii. The Clerk requested the WW1 memorial tree Winkholme tree should have TPO status. **Action:** the Clerk to chase this decision.

207 Benches Purchase

The Parish Council are to purchase some new benches, using the £1800 grant from Cllr Brown and match fund. Bench details will be reviewed before the next meeting.

208 Midleton Street Light Repairs

a. Clerk to provide update.

i. LP14 streetlight cost will be £600 (or £800 if scaffolding has to be used).

Resolved: The Parish Council approve this cost.

209 Facilities for Lengthsman

a. Clerk to present details.

i. Working documents criteria, note that First Aid kit, soap, water and toilet facilities are available for employees. **Resolved:** Clerk to order first aid kit and create a Risk Assessment for the Lengthsmas role.

210 Policies /Procedures

a. To approve Finance policy. Ongoing

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b. To approve IT policy. Ongoing

c. To approve udated Asset register . Ongoing

211 Miscellaneous Issues including information and items for next meeting agenda.

None

212 Correspondence:

To note any correspondence received not specifically dealt with on this agenda.

213 To consider exclusion of the press and public by virtue of Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

214 Complaints:

To consider action regarding any complaints received.

215 Next meeting:

To confirm the date, time and venue for the next meeting of the Cowling Parish Council.
Next meeting is Tues 7 april 26 at 7pm.

Meeting closesd at 8.11pm

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