

# STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Stainforth Parish Council Meeting held in the Village hall, Stainforth, on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.00pm. Page 1

Present – A. Horsfall (Chairman), A. Sharp, C. Smith, J. Blackburn, D. Staveley (North Yorkshire Council), A. Blackburn (Clerk), no public present.

**109/25. Apologies for Absence – I. Black.**

**110/25. Code of Conduct – Localism Act 2011.**

To record any councillor's dis-closable pecuniary interests in regard to any item on this agenda. To consider any changes in members' register of interests and to consider any associated dispensations – none received.

**111/25. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026.**

Council resolved to approve the minutes.

**112/25. Matters Arising & Actions.**

Ref 106/25 – The Yorkshire Dales National Park have created a hard standing pathway from the bridge at the bottom of Dog Hill Brow towards Stainforth Foss, the path is approximately 70m long and is to provide accessibility & safety.

103/25 – The clerk had compiled information regarding mobile phone coverage in Stainforth and will contact the appropriate authorities shortly.

107/25. The tree on the West Green to be addressed.

**113/25. Public Participation.**

Cllr Blackburn informed council that she had removed numerous piles of dog excrement from around the village, Cllr Smith had also removed amounts of excrement and had also placed some laminated signs around the area asking owners to clean up after their dogs. Council discussed the situation and resolved to purchase a number of permanent signs & place these around the village where the offending is prevalent.

**Action** – clerk to purchase signage.

**114/25. North Yorkshire Councillor Report.** The chairman deferred this item.

**115/25. Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning Applications** – no new applications.

**116/25. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment.**

Council resolved to approve the financial statement for March.

**Action** – Clerk to process payments.

**117/25. Correspondence.**

1) Police report.

28/02/2026 – suspect vehicle – Sherwood Brow.

03/03/2026 – X2 – abandoned call – Dog Hill Brow.

04/03/2026 – X2 – Domestic dispute.

**114/25. North Yorkshire Councillor Report.** The chairman moved to this item.

Cllr Staveley had submitted his report for March which had been uploaded onto the PC website.

Work had been done on the Settle roundabout, vegetation had been cleared but more work was to be done as the road signage was still damaged following the last road accident.

There were no more questions from council, Cllr Staveley left the meeting.

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**117/25. Correspondence** (continued).

2) Complaint received.

A complaint had been received from a member of the public in regard to the flag pole on Taitlands roof at Stainforth.

Council discussed the complaint and resolved the following:

All queries regarding flag poles & planning permission should be addressed to the Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning Department.

The flying of the union flag is permitted in the UK.

**Action** – clerk to reply to the complainant.

The Mayor's Active Travel Fund

letter received via the Rt Hon Sir Julian Smith MP.

Council discussed the fund.

YDNP Spring Parish Forum Meeting – 7/05/2026 – Grassington.

**118/25. Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance.**

Cllr Smith reported a pothole opposite Brook House Croft.

A large bush had grown out from the wall at Bridge Cottage and was causing a highway sight obstruction on the bridge.

**Action** – Clerk to investigate the two reports.

**119/25. The Date of the Annual Parish Meeting – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026, followed by the Parish Council Meeting.**

Meeting closed 7.40 pm

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Chairman