

GRINTON & ELLERTON ABBEY PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Grinton & Ellerton Abbey Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6 July 2026 at 7.00pm in Grinton Parish Hall

Present : Cllrs Coates (Chair), Barningham, Forrest, Jones, Hird and the Clerk and North Yorks Cllr Yvonne Peacock

1. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Matt Barker

2. To confirm minutes of meeting held on 11 May 2026 as a true and correct record

The minutes of the last meeting held on 11 May 2026 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

3. To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary

3.1 Grinton Bridge River Level Recorder

After confirmation from the Parish Clerk that the revised map showing the GRP location was correct, our contact at the Environment Agency has confirmed that he has requested his Info and Data team to now merge the approved plan and licence.

3.2 20mph Speed Limit Proposal

There is no further news on the proposal for the 20mph speed limit covering Grinton Bank and Swale Hall Lane. It is still in the process of being reviewed by Highways.

3.3 Hags Gill Corner – Overgrown Trees

In the absence of Cllr Matt Barker, NY Councillor Yvonne Peacock agreed to follow up the ongoing issue with Highways.

3.4 Grinton Gill Riverbank

After a site review between Cllr Mark Jones and Pete Iveson, the proposal to stabilize the bank was to dig down, place rock armour in the riverbank and rebuild up a couple of layers on top. The figure quoted was £3480+VAT. After discussion it was proposed and agreed by all to go ahead with the remedial work upon receipt of a written quotation.

3.5. Grinton Cemetery Wall

Apart from barriers being put in situ, there has been no further work carried out on repairing the damaged cemetery wall. NY Cllr Yvonne Peacock to progress with NYC.

4. Correspondence Received

4.1 Upper Dales Healthwatch (UDHW)

Since the last meeting, the Central Dales GP Practice has taken over the running of Reeth Medical Centre. This has meant that the six parishes of Swaledale/Arkengarthdale have now been invited to join the UDHW. This is a consultative Patient Participation Group for

the Central Dales GP Practice, representing member parishes on health related issues likely to have an impact on the community.

It was agreed that the Grinton & Ellerton Abbey Parish representative on this group will be the Chair – Cllr Geraldine Coates. Meetings are held three times a year and the Minutes will be published on the Parish Council website - <https://grinton-pc.gov.uk>

4.2 Locality Grant Application

The application for a £2000 grant from the NYC Locality Fund to help buy equipment needed to aid set up and run the doctors surgery at Reeth has been approved. This request was a result of the tight timescale involved in the changeover which prevented the Central Dales practice budgeting for the extra spend it's now facing. The fund is to be managed by the Parish Council and any payment to be supported by a supplier's invoice.

4.3 Change of Requirements on publishing usual Cllrs residential address

All the councillors were aware of this new change in legislation

4.4 Condition of “Bus Stop” canopy by the The Bridge Inn car park

The poor condition of the old petrol pump tiled canopy has been raised with the Parish Council by a parishioner. They commented about the sagging roof and that the structure is very wobbly in the wind which is a worry as a number of children use it daily.

Although the issue was raised with the council, this structure is the responsibility of the owners of the Bridge Inn as it's on their land. The Parish Clerk has been in touch with the Bridge Inn proprietor by phone and email about the issue, and they have subsequently raised it with the owners of the pub – Marstons Brewery.

5. YDNP Planning Applications

5.1 Cogden Hall, Grinton – Agricultural Building

Erection of agricultural building to house fattening pigs – no objection raised

5.2 Cote Nook, Grinton – Section 73 Application

Variation on approved plans R/03/140 – no objection raised

5.3 Bells Low Whita Farm, Low Whita, Low Row – Listed Building Consent

Listed building consent for alterations to ground floor doors and kitchen fire surround – no objection raised

6. Finances

6.1 Direct Debit Payments

The following Direct Debit payments were noted:-

- EON May £88.03 / June £35.01
- Business Stream Quarterly Charge - £30.90

6.2 Cheque Signing

Payment to Alison Chandler covering bus shelter maintenance

7. Any Other Business

None

8. To confirm the date of the next meeting as TUESDAY 1 September 2026