

GRINTON & ELLERTON ABBEY PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Grinton & Ellerton Abbey Parish Council held on Monday 5 January 2026 at 7.00pm in Grinton Parish Hall

Present : Cllrs Coates (Chair), Barker, Forrest, Jones and the Parish Clerk

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Mandy Barningham
NY Cllr Yvonne Peacock

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 November 2025, having been circulated, were approved and signed.

3. Environment Agency – Grinton Bridge River Level Recorder

The Environment Agency is still unable to issue a draft agreement as the RLR is showing to be on unregistered land. This is causing issues as our contact cannot delete references to title registers and also cannot insert the access plan yet. Parish Clerk to progress.

4. 20mph Speed Limit Proposal

Highways have said they are intending to undertake the necessary speed surveys early in 2026 but, depending on inclement weather, it might have to wait until Spring.

5. Yorkshire Dales Rally – March 2026

On Saturday 28th March between 9-4pm the course will be reviewed by rally drivers in normal cars. On Sunday 29th March, whilst the rally is taking place, there will be rolling road blocks in place. The Redmire to Grinton stage finishes at the Moor Road cattle grid.

6. Reeth Memorial Hall – Proposed Refurbishment Works

It was agreed that Grinton & Ellerton Abbey, as one of the trustees for Reeth Memorial Hall, would have no objection to the proposed cloakroom refurbishment work.

7. Highways Maintenance – Crackpot Road

Pothole maintenance will be completed in the next few weeks. It has been highlighted to a resident that they need to repair drain ironworks before resurfacing can be scheduled.

8. Grinton Gill Riverbank

There has been further damage to the bank since the last meeting in November. It was decided to keep monitoring the beck.

9. Finances

9.1 Payables

The following payments were noted and approved

EON – November / December	£40.08 / £59.76
Business Stream (Water)	£25.10
WJP Software Ltd	£709.20
HE Woolley	£35.70
YLCA - Training Course	£73.00

10. Parish Council Meeting Dates - 2026

Below are the Parish Meeting Dates for 2026

Monday 5 January 2026

Monday 2 March 2026

Monday 11 May 2026

Monday 6 July 2026

Tuesday 1 September 2026

Monday 2 November 2026

11. Parish Councillor Resignation

It was noted that Cllr Adele Heggie has tendered her immediate resignation from the Parish Council. The Chair responded in writing to Adele thanking for all her service to the community.

The Electoral Services Department are to be notified so the vacancy can be advertised. Adele's responsibility for the upkeep of the parish defibrillator is to be handed over to the Parish Clerk.

12. Replacement Domestic Oil Pipe through Parish Land

A request was received from the owner of Wayside regarding the underground laying of a new oil pipeline for her heating boiler through parish land. The request was reviewed and approved with no objections.

13. Overgrown Trees at Hags Gill Corner

The subject of the overhanging trees at Hags Gill Corner was re-raised. Although Highways had carried out remedial work in November it was felt that a more robust approach was needed as the trees on both sides of the road were always causing traffic hazards after any severe weather. The debris of branches on both road sides were an indication of this problem. The Parish Clerk to contact Highways again to address the issue.

14. Date and time of next meeting

Next meeting to be held on Monday 2 March 2026 at 7.00pm in Grinton Parish Hall