

WOODSETTS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 24th SEPTEMBER 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, GILDINGWELLS ROAD, WOODSETTS

PRESENT

Councillors: M Carroll (Chair), B Bartles, S Gresham, N Renzi, J Sherratt, S Tindle

IN ATTENDANCE

Assistant Clerk M Wade
1 member of the public

9239 Apologies
B Smyth.

9240 Minutes of the previous meeting
Resolved; that the Chairperson be authorised to sign the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd July 2025 as being a true record of business transacted.

9241 Declaration of Members Interests and consideration of any request for the granting of a dispensation
None

9242 To identify items which may be considered following the exclusion of press and public
None.

9243 To consider any variations to the orders of business
None.

9244 To discuss vacancies on the Council
Noted that two vacancies remain, and all present were encouraged to seek candidates.

9245 To receive information on ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary
Biodiversity; none.
Usage of the recreation ground; noted that the Shireoaks team are currently playing, with a question remaining over arrangements with SJR. Discussion progressed towards the maintenance agreement of the cricket square, with the Clerk to enquire with a maintenance team if the existing arrangement is not upheld. Discourse turned towards the hedge on Worksop Road, bounding the recreation ground, and whether it could permit

visibility of the pitch, if pruned to ~5ft. Assistant Clerk to make enquiries on this matter.

9246 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council heard from the public, specifically concerns over the A57 roundabout entry on Woodsetts Lane, and including the blind-spot, high speeds, and rainfall following dry conditions.

9247 To consider Section 137 Grant Applications

None.

9248 To discuss a HR Working Group

Resolved that the group will meet on the 1st or 2nd October pending availability.

9249 To note National Joint Council (NJC) Pay Award

Resolved to implement the NJC pay award at the next HR working group meeting.

9250 To consider the updated Code of Conduct

To facilitate consistency across the Borough, it was resolved that the LGA Model Code of Conduct be adopted, at the recommendation of the Standards and Ethics Committee.

9251 To consider and adopt updated policies

Resolved that the policies be updated and adopted in line with NALC's models.

9252 To consider and approve expenditure

Resolved and noted that expenditure covers two months of payments due to no full Council meeting taking place in August. Questions raised over whether the Environment Agency (EA) is responsible for stream clearance that Planterior Landscapes undertakes.

9253 To consider the banking mandates and signatories

Deferred until the next HR working group meeting.

9254 To consider the pavilion redevelopment project

The Chair relayed the architects' success in reducing the tender price to <£300,000, with a meeting between the Council and architects forthcoming. The Chair gave a report pertaining to the last working group meeting, thanking individuals who have already composed letters of support; encouragement for additional letters was extended. It also was noted that the FCC grant application can be carried over to round 4, ending 19th November. Resolved that a flyer will be produced communicating a pavilion update.

9255 To consider CCTV and receive an update on quotes

Upon reviewing the quotes, it was resolved that Vault Electronic Security Limited will be appointed with the proviso that they work with the successful pavilion contractor.

9256 To consider any major planning applications

None.

9257 To consider the Bonfire and Fireworks event and traffic management

Following a lengthy discussion, and considering discourse with SYP and RMBC, it was understood that any traffic management would come at cost to the Council, and it was agreed to not pursue traffic management further. Suggestions following last year include additional lighting near Worksop Road entrance, and to notify bus companies of the event. Confirmed that fireworks have been ordered for 4th November.

9258 To consider Communications group including the Newsletter

Deferred.

9259 To consider highways and footpaths in the Parish

Discussion centred around frustrations arising from lack of progress on the road scheme; the MP and RMBC Cllrs will be contacted on this issue. Concerning the burst water main on Dinnington Road, it was noted that Yorkshire Water are awaiting permissions from RMBC to divert the pipe; works are expected to take 3-4 weeks. Suggestions were made that RMBC Cllrs should pursue this issue. The Council agreed that the tree should be cut down if necessary.

9260 To consider general correspondence

The Chair relayed news regarding the poppy appeal. Noted that SY Branch meeting takes place on 8th October, online, and the Talking Tables training day at Thirsk racecourse is on the 16th October; Chair will be in attendance. Correspondence regarding information on an RAF serviceman was noted, and thanks extended to the work of the Woodsetts History Society, and for their facilitating a new bench dedicated to Gavin Elliot. Cllr Sherratt relayed news on the Whitestone Solar Farm development, including that the project has been reduced by ~25%, and that Cllrs are encouraged to attend consultation days at Todwick and Harthill, on the 3rd and 7th October respectively.

9261 To consider feedback from meetings attended

The Chair gave their apologies for being unable to attend the joint meeting between adjacent parishes.

9262 To note the date of the next Parish Council Meeting as:

29th October.