

Parish Council of The Yealands

Meeting of The Yealands Parish Council, on Wednesday 3 September at Yealand Village Hall 7.30pm.

Minutes

Present: Cllr Sue Tyldesley, Cllr Roger Dent, County Cllr Graham Dalton, Cllr Anne Prescott, Cllr Joanne Wheeler-Stone, District Cllr Alan Greenwell, Cllr Lucy Arthurs, Cllr Geraldine Moore (Chair) Rebecca Oaks (Clerk)

133. To accept apologies

Cllr Hancock (family bereavement),

134. To confirm minutes of previous meeting and sign them

Confirmed and signed

135. To receive reports of the County Councillor and City Councillors

Cllr Dalton Lives in Nether Kellet, he is a Reform Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care. Local Government reorganisation is very much on the agenda, there are potentially 5 options to pick from, he favours make a choice which would result in 2 or 3 separate Unitary Authorities.

The present system Parish, District, County works well mainly, but must change.

He has been contacted by Yealand parishioners on a few issues Hedges, roads, and an intruder in garden who he redirected to the police.

Cllr Tyldesley

Reports that there will be two separate questionnaires regarding the new Unitary Authorities, a City Council one – Please make your opinions known. The City one is almost ready to be rolled out.

Cllr Greenwell

The proposals from the County Council are put together on website www.givemyview.com/lancashirelgr

Series of maps showing the different configurations. His opinion is that we don't want to be linked with Blackpool or Preston, better to remain with the rural north.

Paper versions of the questionnaires will also be available.

Action Could be promoted at Coffee Stop, Whatsapp, Facebook, St John's Church.

Parishes stay as they are. Potentially may get more power and responsibility when part of a unitary authority.

Employees of Nuclear power station in the parish may be interested that Heysham 1 extended to 2028 Heysham 2 to 2030.

Pots of possibility fund – available for community project connected to sustainability.

Cllr Tyldesley reported that The Eden Project now has had a spade in the ground, symbolising the start of the build phase.

136. To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation

None.

137. To receive declarations of interest; to include personal and personal and prejudicial interests.

None

138. To consider planning applications and consultations:

25/00486/FUL 11A Yealand Road Erection of a garage
Objection letter sent
Application refused 12 August 2025

Action Cllr Moore and Clerk to call and enquire what grounds they were requesting the felling of 7 further trees. The removal of a group of trees has quite an impact the visual environment, is there a condition report to support this felling?

25/0112/TCA Applethwaite
Permitted 18 July 25

25/0140/TCA 12 Yealand Road Reduction of walnut tree and removal of cherry
No objections
Awaiting decision

25/0160/TCA Great Croft, Yealand Redmayne, Fell 1 x Willow
Awaiting decision

139. To approve payments and finance

Expenditure

Clerk Fee	Sept 2025	£426.82	SO
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Clerks Nest Pension	Sept 2025	£31.12	DD
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Tim Norton Pickleball equip		£134.99	paid
Yealand Village Hall rent		£10	paid
Clerk – Microsoft subscription		£84.99	paid
Clerk - Vista print sign for playground		£37.19	paid
Gary Rowlinson various grass cutting		£165	paid
David Wain forest schools steps		£2380	

Agreed

We have had word from the School that they will contribute £1000 towards the invoice from David Wain, thanks to them for that.

Income: Interest £28.13 Vat refund £256.42 Cllr Hancock £50

Yealand Village Hall £7185.81 Space Hive £8356.48 (YOGA)

Bank balance: 26 Aug 2025 Business account £29,527.63

Treasurers account £114.46

Budget cut to the Lancashire County Council Public Rights of Way - Local delivery/biodiversity schemes. These funds which we have benefitted from over many years, will not be offered this financial year, as funding has not been made available in this year's agreed budget.

Action Cllr Dalton to contact the Public Rights of Way and enquire about this.

140. To consider the need to register land held by the Parish under the new name.

Cllr Dent has located that Simpson Miller are our solicitors (following the closure of Jobling and Knape)

Action Cllr Dent to contact the solicitors re changing the title name on the YOGA land and advise us on the boardwalk and pond area also the pound and pump and our liabilities.

Action Cllr Moore to check what paperwork we have already and pass to Cllr Dent

141. To consider the crime figures for the area.

Nil report for April. May - Public order incident in Conyers. June – Nil

142. To consider road issues. Purchasing a new speed radar?

We had one response from the request for people to put forward their suggestions, this was a plea for another attempt at reducing the

speed limit in Yealand Storrs from 60mph to 30mph for safety reasons (walkers, horses, pets etc)

Lancashire Road Safety strategy - report Warren Goldsworth is now in charge of this at County Council. The document focuses on preventing harm. If 87% of traffic movements are within the speed limit no action will be taken.

Action - Cllr Dalton to see Warren Goldsworth tomorrow and will ask, what prompts speed monitoring by highways and how can we take this forward.

Do we need a traffic management strategy? What equipment is deemed acceptable for gathering data from motorists?

Action – Clerk to get three quotes for a speed monitor

Action Clerk to contact Warren.goldsworthy@lancs.gov.uk to check on the legitimacy of us collecting data from a monitor.

143. To consider the new path to the Forest Schools site. Update and date for a launch/photo opportunity.

Action Clerk to contact school for dates and suggestions for this.

144. To consider the playground – Contractor Craig from AEPM update

Advice expected from Sam Howard-Buckley from Caledonia Play who is about to send a quote for the work. He will set out different options.

Action Clerk to circulate, when this arrives

Iain Harbison does the check and he reports back can we make this a bit more formal?

Action Clerk to draw up a check list pro forma, that he can easily send in when he does his checks

145. To consider the Meadows management - Feedback on the site meeting with Mike Sharples. - Rock for Meadows, mowing regime, and bulbs for Orchard (and for Pump), budget restrictions.

Action Cllr Tyldesley to check with Mike Sharples and see if he can supply the rattleseed and plug plants

Action Cllr Wheeler and Clerk to choose the rock.

Action Cllr Hancock to purchase some bulbs for the Pump

146. To consider the YOGA refurbishment - Update

Action Call a meeting of the YOGA subgroup to decide on the lines required the suggestion is Tennis, Football and Two Pickleball courts.

147. To receive reports from the outside groups-

National Landscape Cllr Tyldesley

The management plan is up for renewal and there is a consultation it's 85 pages and we need to look at it and make some comments. Summary page of outcomes

Action all to read as much as we want and report back to Cllr Tyldesley, closing date 17 October.

Trowbarrow Trust Cllr Dent - Annual walk on the 17th Sept

Mansergh Trust Clerk. Next meeting November, please let any families know about this if they have young people going into apprenticeships.

Village Hall Committee, Cllr Moore, Cllr Hancock. Village hall well used, bring people together for community events. Cinema event sold out. Oct 11th Knees up and lots of Christmas events.

Allotment Group. Clerk National Allotment Society subscription is up for renewal, ok to renew? **Agreed**

The Archbishop Hutton Sole Trustee Company Ltd Cllr Prescott.

The Annual report & Accounts (2024) are available to anyone in the Warton Parish who may wish to read them.

Action Clerk to put accounts on the website. Action taken to update GDRP policy. Need to register on government website by November.

Dr Sherlock's Charity Cllr Arthurs - Quiet over the summer. Getting rent arrears sorted. Farm Business Tenancies provide the income.

£850 a year. Needs more communication to encourage applications.

Canal - Check the buoyancy aid - Cllr Moore

Storrs Wood (Storrs Watering Place) Clerk

Action Get quotes for hedgelaying along the boundary with the road.

The Pound (Public Watering Place) Clerk It has been strimmed twice and will need another soon.

148. To consider defibrillator coverage – Update

Cllr Prescott sent out email to her neighbours at Hazel Grove (8 properties). No response from 2 but others would be keen to pursue, with 2 of them offering to contribute to cost.

There is one at wildlife Oasis, **Action** Cllr Prescott to check this out.

Also Aps for mapping Defib's - Goodsam or on AEDmapa

Action Cllr Wheeler to check

149. To consider items for the newsletter

Management plan

Speed monitoring

150. To note the date and time of next meeting.

First Wed of the month –

Nov 12th, Jan 7th, March 4th AGM May 6th