

WENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of
the Parish Council held in The Mechanic's Institute
Main Street, Wentworth, at 6.30pm on Monday 17th November 2025

Apologies: Borough Councillor Rajmund Brent.

Members of the public: Tracey White RMBC,

Also In Attendance- The Chair of Brampton Bierlow Parish Council,
The Clerk of Brampton Bierlow Parish Council
R. Maíndonald, Parish Clerk

PC/141/25 **Members present.**
Councillor Mr B. McNamara (Chairman)
Councillor Mr S Peace (Deputy Chairman)
Councillors Mrs J. Annetts, Mr D. Booth, Mr J. Knight, Mrs C. Shaw, Mrs V Sykes.

PC/142/25 **Absence.**
a) **To receive apologies for absence.**
Apologies were received from Cllr P. Martin and Cllr T. Hill.
b) **To consider the reasons for absence given by Councillors.**
RESOLVED to approve the reasons for absence.

PC/143/25 **Disclosures of Interest & Dispensations.**
To receive declarations of interest in respect of items on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and the relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 from Members or Officers and to consider any dispensation requests received by the Clerk under the Localism Act 2011 s33.
None were received.

PC/144/25 **Public Participation.**
There were no members of the public present, however the following matters were raised-
Chair has had two comments.
The meeting discussed anti-social behaviour by a resident. It was agreed that the matter should be reported to the Ward Councillors by the Clerk.
The meeting discussed dog fouling on the main street in Wentworth. It was noted that the dog warden had added the details to the list of areas to patrol.
The meeting discussed the fencing adjacent to the main road and who was responsible for the footpath.
The meeting discussed whether a sign could be erected saying "no access for heavy vehicles"- Tracey White replied that highways wouldn't do this, as it was a blue light road. The Borough council had requested it a number of times, but it had been turned down.

PC/145/25 **To receive and consider matters raised for and by RMBC.**
Signage- Cllr Peace had contacted the Ward Councillors about Clayfield Lane as Yorkshire water were undertaking work. It was hoped that "Access Only" signs

could be erected at either end of the road, as it was now a rat run.
The meeting noted that Cllr John Williams was now the contact for Highways.
Two residents from Harley had requested a speed bump before the village.
White speed gates and dragons teeth were to be erected before Christmas.
Tracey White was asked to chase up the ghost traffic island.

PC/146/25 **To receive and consider matters raised for and by Fitzwilliam Estate.**

Nothing was raised by the meeting.

PC/147/25 **Minutes of previous meetings.**

a) To consider any alterations to the minutes of the previous meeting

No alterations were requested.

b) To accept the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record and authorise the Chairperson to sign accordingly

RESOLVED the minutes of the Council meeting held on the 20th October 2025 were accepted as a true record and were authorised to be signed by the Chairman.

PC/148/25 **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes.**

No further information had been provided about the yellow fluid.

Speed humps- Tracey White will chase up with RMBC.

Commercial use of the Pavilion- it was noted that the Clerk had sent a response concerning the application for usage. No response had been received by the interested party.

The Chair thanked all for their help with the bonfire, particularly the Harley Councillors. The event had run smoothly.

The cost of hiring the Pavilion had been questioned by the organisers. Cllr Sykes had replied to them that the cost had been for utilities and wear and tear of the building. It was requested that the Clerk check that they had paid the £60.00.

Although there had been no general complaints received, there had been complaints that the event was being held on Remembrance Sunday.

Car Park update- the Chair has established that if the Parish Council don't own any other property, the Parish Council won't be caught up to pay for business rates.

The Chair will send the advice he received to Cllr Knight. Cllr Shaw suggested that it is pointed out that the Parish Council lease a Pavilion.

Funding for the Pavilion- The Chair had established that the Parish Council would be receiving from the two charities a total of £20,000 towards the Pavilion refurbishment. The Parish Council would need to have all the work undertaken, any surplus monies following the refurbishment, would then be refunded to the charities by the parish council.

Tracey White suggested reaching out to Voluntary Action Rotherham for funding.

The Chair confirmed that he had met with the contractor and the inside refurbishment could be completed within budget. It was agreed to research Awards for All as well for Funding, once a quotation had been received.

It was confirmed that the Safeguarding training would take place on the 26th November. Cllr Martin had said that he would confirm. It will be held at the Mission Rooms.

Cllr Booth confirmed that he was monitoring the progress of the Planning application for the Hotel and Spa. There had been a few technical highways queries from RMBC and there were also comments about the trees.

PC/149/25 **Financial Matters**

a) Approval of Payments for November

Code	Date	Bank	Description	Supplier	Net	VAT	Total
Utilities	03/11/2025	Current	Electricity- Harley Pavillion	EON	23 57	1 18	24 75
Staff Expenses & Training	14/11/2025	Current	Salary	Rebecca Maindonald	348 82	0 00	348 82
Open Spaces	14/11/2025	Current	Grass Cutting	AWS	828 02	165 61	993 63
Other/Miscellaneous	14/11/2025	Current	Defib- Glass Cleaning	J Torry	35 00	0 00	35 00
Utilities	18/11/2025	Current	Water- Wentworth Pavilion	Everflow	31 59	0 00	31 59
Utilities	18/11/2025	Current	Electricity- Wentworth	EDF	41 85	2 09	43 94
Other/Miscellaneous	18/11/2025	Current	Remembrance Wreaths	Royal British Legion	300 00	0 00	300 00
Other/Miscellaneous	19/11/2025	Current	Remembrance Band	Barnsley Brass	150 00	0 00	150 00
Other/Miscellaneous	19/11/2025	Current	Remembrance Posters	Hot Metal Press	29 00	5 80	34 80
Other/Miscellaneous	30/11/2025	Current	Remembrance Orders of Service	Hot Metal Press	153 00	0 00	153 00
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RESOLVED that the Parish Council approved the payments to be processed.

b) Bank Reconciliation for October

The Clerk confirmed the following bank balances for October 2025.

Current Account- £15,354.24

Deposit Account- £54,998.95

c) Financial Report for October

The Clerk ran through the finance report for October. There were no questions.

Receipts- £624.56

Payments- £2,547.22

PC/150/25 **To consider Planning applications.**

There were no planning applications to consider.

PC/151/25 **Correspondence and emails received.**

There was no correspondence to be received.

PC/152/25 **Parish Councillors areas of Responsibilities and Parish Council Plan.**

Cllr Peace ran through the plan, reminding all present to ensure that they updated the spreadsheet once Councillors had completed their tasks.

The meeting discussed arrangements with the Cricket Club, once the Pavilion had been refurbished.

It was agreed to produce a newsletter for January. It would be left in specific locations, rather than being delivered. Cllr Annetts will bring a camera to the next meeting to take photographs of Councillors. Tracey White may wish to write an article, as may the Vicar.

It was agreed to request that Andy Gittings move the grit bin from Daniel Lane to Lea Brook in the parking area. Cllr Annetts would send the details of the new location to the Clerk, who would contact Andy Gittings.

The meeting discussed a suspicious vehicle and it was agreed that it should be reported to the Police.

There was a discussion about Dogging in the area, which would be reported to the police.

Harley village signs were discussed. Several people from Harley have been to look at the signs to see if they could be refurbished but no further action had been taken.

Remembrance Sunday had run well. Cllr Sykes added her thanks to all who had assisted, particularly Cllr Peace for his wonderful address at the beginning and the end of the Service.

The Estates had sent volunteers who had collected the Chairs. Cllr Sykes had spoken to Shirley from the Estate to pass on her thanks for their help. It was requested that the Clerk contact the Estate to thank them as well. There had been

around 180 to 200 attendees.

Cllr Sykes reported that she had avoided bonfire night. She had suggested that the organisers place cardboard down to assist with cleaning up, which they hadn't done, so it had taken a while for them to clean. Cllr Sykes would go back down to check.

The meeting noted that a 32 day notice account was being considered for Willistons Gift. It was suggested an initial £5k deposit be made.

PC/153/25 **To receive and discuss cricket proposals.**

This had already been discussed.

PC/154/25 **To receive an update concerning the Wentworth Pavilion.**

This had already been discussed.

PC/155/25 **To receive an update concerning the Harley Pavilion.**

This had already been discussed.

PC/156/25 **Additional Items Authorised by the Chairperson.**

Noticeboards- The Chair reminded the meeting that those who were responsible for noticeboards ensure that the minutes be placed no later than two days after the meeting. The Clerk would send copies of the minutes out on the evening of the meeting.

PC/157/25 **To start discussions on new issues (Council members only) No decisions can be passed during this item.**

No matters were raised

PC/158/25 **To note diary dates.**


The Website working group were meeting on the 27th November at the Mission Room.

The Harley Christmas Fair was being held on the 29th November between 10am and 15.00.

The Christmas brass band concert was being held at Harley Mission Rooms on December the 13th, starting at 19.00.

PC/159/25 **Date and time of the next meeting- Monday 15th December 2025**

Meeting closed at 20.25.

Signed as a true record.....

Date of Signing: 15th December 2025

Cllr B. McNamara, Chair of Wentworth Parish Council