

Minutes of the Wressle Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 11 November 2025 in

Wressle Village Hall

Present: David Hunt (Chair), Helen Blacker, Jane Breach, Rob Falkingham, Guy Longbottom, Chris Ross, Dan Sweeting

Apologies: Tom Davies, Coleen Millward

Clerk: Steve Young, steveyoungclerk@gmail.com

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Two special meetings were held relevant to the change in status of the Village Hall charity

1. The existing charity (503668) Trustees agreed that the assets and liabilities should be transferred to the newly formed Charity Incorporated Organisation (1215604)
 2. The Trustees of the newly formed CIO (1215604) accepted that assets and liabilities should be transferred to it from the previous charity (503668)
- Both meetings agreed to the proposals unanimously

Public session, Diane and Jane from the Friends of Wressle Village Hall attended to talk through plans and how they will work together with the Parish Council. A good discussion with agreement on both sides that the working relationship was important. Terms of reference have been established by the new group and they are now setting up and promoting events, a list of events already planned was discussed. A web site and messaging system has been set up to keep everyone informed. The cost of bookings was discussed and the expense of the septic tank emptying was considered a temporary but large expense, with the establishment of the CIO the project for a new digester can be restarted and a grant applied for. Helen Blacker will be the liaison between the Parish Council and the Friends.

39/25 Minutes of the previous meeting dated 16/9/25, approved and signed by the Chair

Declaration of Interest. To record any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest by any Member in respect of items on this agenda, nil

40/25 Matters arising

- Village Hall, car park has been top dressed and thanks were expressed to David Hunt and Guy Longbottom. WiFi at the Village Hall was discussed and it was considered that the ongoing cost would outweigh the advantages as people can now access the internet more easily without the need for WiFi. The lack of electricity bills for many years was again discussed and despite many appeals for a billing system to be set up the Village Hall is still receiving free electricity. It was considered that regular emails asking for bills is the only action possible
- Christmas, Drax has kindly grant aided £2,000 and Helen Blacker has arranged streetlight festive lighting with ERYC. The lights switch on event is planned for Sunday 30 November starting at 4pm. David will arrange for the Christmas Tree to be delivered and erected. Helen has and will arrange for the pie and mash supper, decorations and lights for the hall

and tree. Guy and Jane will deliver posters to all houses to tell people about the event which will be free with donations to Wressle Church

- Speedwatch initiative, a grant application has been submitted for 2 Auto-Speedwatch cameras but it was rejected until later in the year
- Conversion of the Village Hall charity to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation is in hand and the CIO has been formed
- Wressle Bridleway No 2 definitive map, waiting for decision
- Remembrance figures and poppies on lamp posts have been sited by David who was thanked by Parish Councillors

41/25 Planning applications, nil

42/25 Planning decisions as advised by the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, nil

43/25 Accounts, balance £14,991.61

Bank statements were considered without comment

Payments confirmed;

£2.00 Bank charges, £105.82 VH cleaner salary Oct, £42.00 HMRC tax on salary, £270.89 Clerk salary Oct (inc £60.00 reimbursement for lamp-post poppies), £136.90 Business Stream (YW), £264.00 septic tank, £170.40 PPL/PRS, £213.20 Guy Longbottom to reimburse for plants, £581.38 ERYC streetlight SLA, £783.60 Litemania festive lighting

Payments approved £194.49 Clerk salary Nov, £105.82 VH cleaner salary Nov, £42.20 HM R&C tax on salary

A grant to Wressle Church for Churchyard maintenance was considered and £600.00 awarded

Precept 2026/27, the financial spreadsheet showing forecast income and expenditure was considered and the precept was set at £4,500.00

Clerk will apply for a grant for the new digester once an updated quote has been received

44/25 Reports

- Dan Sweeting reported that he is meeting with the Drainage Board this week
- Guy Longbottom asked if the Highways query from Ken Berry had been dealt with and Clerk reported that it had been passed to the Highways Department

45/25 Correspondence, nil

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

The next meeting of Wressle Parish Council will be held in Wressle Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 20 January 2026