

## **BADSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Badsworth Parish Council held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
2025 at 7:30 pm in the Lawson Hut, Main Street, Badsworth. WF9 1AF**

**Present:** Cllrs J Broadhurst (Chair) B Slinger, B Graham, J Sumpter, K Flanagan.

**Members of the Public:** Seven

**In attendance:** A Woodhead, Clerk.

### **30/0725 To receive comments or questions from member of the public.**

Q1. What has happened the Smiley SID? It did slow traffic speeds and traffic speeds do seem to have increased through the village as a result.

A1. We were initially told by Wakefield Council to take it down as these items were not permissible. We undertook some work with District Councillors (not our own) and this was overturned. We have now completed and submitted the paperwork for a Licence. We have however taken the unit down in the interim. Parish Councillors have had several complaints that the unit has gone.

Q2. Thank you for putting SID up it is appreciated.

### **31/0725 To consider apologies for absence**

No apologies for absence received.

### **32/0725 To consider any Declarations of interest**

No declarations of interest for this meeting.

### **33/0725 To consider matters which should be dealt with in open or confidential session**

No items to take to closed session.

### **34/0725 To confirm the minutes of the last meeting.**

**RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the last meeting of Badsworth Parish Council held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June as a true and accurate record.

### **35/0725 To consider Planning matters**

The following items were noted

**25/00999/FUL** Tappets Ninevah, Lane Badsworth, Erection of timber gazebo (retrospective )

**25/00805/CPL** Greystones, Main Street Badsworth, Conversion of integral garage into habitable room and associated external alterations -Approved.

The Council instructed the Clerk to submit that the Council felt a return to a fence that matched the original chain link would be more fitting with regards to the following-

**25/01179/FUL** Former Bunker, New Road, Badsworth, Retrospective planning

application for proposed timber fence, hardstanding to create 1no. parking space and patio area.

### 36/0725 Financial matters

#### a)-To receive and consider the Bank reconciliation

The following Bank Reconciliation was noted.

#### Bank Reconciliation

	Badsworth Parish Council	£
Cash brought forward from 2024-2025		5736.85
Current Account	Income to date 'A'	11550.00
	Total	17286.85

Expenditure to date 'B'	3738.32
<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>13548.53</b>

**Date 22rd July 2025**

**STATEMENT to 4th July 2025**

<b>Bank Balance</b>	14432.86
Awaiting payment 'D'	884.33
Payments in progress 'F'	0.00
<b>Balance</b>	<b>13548.53</b>

Savings Account

**STATEMENT to 4nd July 2025**

Balance at start	39,916.19
Interest Jun	132.60
Interest Sept	
Interest Dec	
Interest Mar	
Current Saving Balance	40,048.79
Total	53597.32

Total interest £132.60

Total income £11,550.00

#### b)- To approve accounts for payment

The following were authorised for payment,

#### PAYMENTS

**Jul-25**

Date	Item	Payee	£
23/07/2025	Website Hosting	Vision ICT	185.26
23/07/2025	Signage and related	J Broadhurst	171.67
23/07/2025	Tax & NI	HMRC	79.40
23/07/2025	Wages	A Woodhead	318.00
23/07/2025	Village Planting	Lawson Hut Committee	130.00
		Total (D)	884.33

#### c)-To receive information on receipts and expenditure and the current budget

The Clerk presented information on receipts and expenditure and the current spend to budget noting that there were no issues, noted.

**d)-To appoint an internal auditor for 2025-26**

Item deferred until September on account that one was unable to assist, one had supplied a price but the third had fail to respond.

**37/0725 Smiley SID unit**

Item covered under 30/0725.

**38/0725 Parish Project Plan**

To consider any items on the project plan and take action where necessary

1, Christmas Tree and Childrens event

Work hasn't started on this yet, all parties have been notified that it is wanted.

2, Grant funding Section 137

It was noted that several groups had been contacted, and applications were expected to be submitted in the near future.

3, Community Newsletter

Nothing to report this meeting.

4, Badsworth Village Website

Nothing to report this meeting.

5, Planting in the village

It was noted that the current Hanging Basket Provider would be asked if they would provide a price to service other planting and watering provision.

6, Hanging Baskets

It was noted that the Hanging Baskets look very nice, there seems to be an issue with the License for the provision, but work was being undertaken to resolve the issue.

**39/0725 Governance**

To consider any changes required to the following

**RESOLVED** to accept the following as current for the Councils requirements

a)-Public statement on level of reserves

b)-Records Management Policy

c)-Grievance and Disciplinary Policy

**40/0725 Parish Matters**

a)-To consider the correspondence from the ICO re freedom of information

The correspondence was noted we await further communication from the ICO.

b)-To consider items on the Badsworth Parish Council Issue Log and determine a way forward.

The Issue log was presented to the meeting (see appendix 1)

**41/0725 Date and time of next meeting**

No decision was made regarding an August meeting

Meeting closed at 8:50 pm

## Appendix 1

Case Number	Date	Item	Note/Reply	Owner
1  CAS590279 Y8Y5R7	17/04/25	Regarding your Grass Cutting and Weed Control enquiry: at St Marys C Of E Church Main Street Badsworth Pontefract WF9 1AJ	Having discussed your enquiry with the grounds maintenance team leader, he has advised there are no plans to make the grounds even at this moment in time. The Badsworth area is cut up to 9 times per year. Thank you Wakefield Council	Clerk
4  CAS 602738- K5D7N8	01/06/25	I raised a query with Wakefield Council about enforcement of the traffic management measures introduced on Main Street and received the response shown below. I provide this in the hope that the glacial movement of Wakefield Council can be speeded up and the few who are disregarding the restrictions can at least fear that there will be a consequence for their actions.	This location has not currently got a Traffic Regulation Order with a Sealed Order authorising the enforcement of the restrictions, there are a number of schools across the Wakefield District that have recently had signs and lines put up and are unenforcable as well. Once Parking Services get the Sealed Oder and the map Tile for that order, we can start to enforce the restrictions.	Clerk
5  HC100- 11844/LF	01/06/25	Badsworth Village Traffic Calming Measures Badsworth Parish Council have requested that proposed Speeds Cushions be replaced with Speed Tables.	Reply via chair stating cushions as tables are not good for busses.	Clerk
6 property@leeds. Anglican.com	19/06/2025	Lawson Hut, Clerk contacted Leeds Diocese by telephone, instructed to send request to start dialogue by e-mail. E-mail sent.		Clerk
7 CAS-614918	27/06/25	Hedges along Back Lane reported to WMBC		Clerk
8	27/06/25	Called Vicar of Badsworth re tree trimming, tel 01977 599979 – on holiday until 14 <sup>th</sup> July		Clerk
9 CAS 614148	24/06/25	Issues with the Gate on Badsworth Way have been reported to Wakefield Council asking if they can repair to ensure it self closes.		Clerk

10 CAS 614160	24/06/25	The retaining wall at the Main Street, Ninevah Lane junction, reported by a parishioner to Wakefield Council, stating that the Parish Council are concerned and asking for the issue to be considered.		Clerk
11 CAS 614155	24/025	Requesting that no cycling or cyclist dismount be fitted at each end of Badsworth Way.		Clerk
12 Badsworth Christmas Event	25/06/25	Tree and decorations and all things related to the Christmas Event		Cllr Graham
13 CAS-615305- C2C5K1	17/07/25	Dear Andrew Woodhead Please see below an update on your enquiry. Reference Number:	The overhanging vegetation has now been dealt with	
14 CAS-446951	Pre 22/07/25	Poor state of Pavements in Badsworth	Photo evidence has been sent in to support issue.	Cllr Slinger