BADSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday the 27th August 2025 at 7:30 pm in the Lawson Hut, Main Street, Badsworth. WF9 1AF

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

Members of the Public: Two

In attendance: A Woodhead, Clerk

42/0825 To receive comments or questions from members of the public.

Q1 Can we have an update on the current state of the lease for the land the Lawson Hut is on as we are aware that the leaseholder is the Parish Council.

A1 It was stated that the Council has sent several e-mails to the Leeds Diocese Office and have followed this up, we now have a few named people and they are aware that we wish to start the conversation.

Q2 It was reported that there is an overgrown hedge and tree across the pavement on Main Street which required cutting back.

A2 The Clerk will report the issue to Wakefield Council in the morning.

43/0825 To receive and consider apologies for absence.

Resolved to accept apologies for absence from Cllr B Graham. Apologies noted for Ward Councillors Garbutt, Carrington and Roberts.

44/0825 To receive any declarations of interest

No declarations of interest for this meeting.

45/0825 To consider matters which should be dealt with in open or confidential session.

No items for closed session.

46/0845 To confirm the minutes of the last meeting.

Resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting of Badsworth Parish Council held on Wednesday the 23rd July 2025 as a true and accurate record.

47/0845 To consider planning matters

The following items where noted.

25/00511/FUL Badsworth, Thorpe View Lodge, Main Street, Erection of new outbuilding, Approved.

25/01184/TPO Badsworth, 5 High Farm Meadow, Horse chestnut (T1) - Crown Reduce upper canopy (southwest side) by 2.5m, Refused.

48/0825 To Financial Matters

a)- Bank Reconciliation

Resolved to approve the following Bank Reconciliation presented to the Council.

	Expenditure to date 'B'	4168.71
	Current Balance	13118.14
Date 22nd August 2025	Bank Balance	12722 70
Date 22nd August 2025		13733.79
STATEMENT to 4th August 2025	Awaiting payment 'D'	430.39
	Payments in progress 'F'	185.26
	Balance	13118.14
Savings Account		
STATEMENT to 4th August 2025	Balance at start	39,916.19
	Interest Jun	132.60
	Interest Sept	
	Interest Dec	
Total interest £132.60	Interest Mar	
Total income £11,550.00	Current Saving Balance	40,048.79
	Total	53166.93

b)-To approve accounts for payment

Resolved to approve the following payments.

PAYMENTS Aug-25

Date	Item	Payee	£
27/08/2025	Christmas Lights	B Slinger	32.99
27/08/2025	Tax & NI	HMRC	79.60
27/08/2025	Wages	A Woodhead	317.80
		Total 'D'	430.39

c)- To receive information on receipts, expenditure and spend to budget

Resolved to accept papers presented, no questions this meeting.

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

Resolved to appoint Mr Andrew Bosmans as the internal auditor for Badsworth Parish Council for 2025-26.

49/0825 Parish Matters

a)- Update from the Chair regarding communication with Ward Councillors

The Chair stated that he had struggled to gain contact with Ward Councillors and had asked our MP for advice. A line of communication now exists with Ward Councillors and it has been agreed that the Parish Councils Action Log will be sent to them for them to follow up outstanding issues as required. The Chair was thanked for his efforts by the Council.

b)- To consider appointing on a short term basis a person to undertake works to tidy the Parish and to allocate a budget of £500 in order to address the identified issues.

Resolved to appoint a contractor, the contractor is to gain all permissions and supply risk assessments as required, Cllr Sumpter to coordinate works. £500 to be for labour materials will be accepted extra to this amount if required.

c)- To consider options for Smiley SID and update on Capital Grant application Resolved to accept the quote for the smiley SID received from Traffic technology. This information and a more recent Bank Statement will be set to Wakefield Council for consideration.

d)- To receive an update on Highways matters following a meeting with officers of Wakefield Council

A site meeting had been held with Highways Officers of Wakefield Council, during the visit they witnessed first hand a near miss at Ninevah Lane junction and also a lorry on Main Street that was travelling too fast and its load moved as a result of the road conditions. Officers took the experience away for consideration, it was felt that the meeting had been very constructive.

e)- Hanging Basket provision

Resolved to use the same company to provide hanging baskets next year and to ask if they would plant up and service planters in the village. It was noted that the Council needs to contact Wakefield Council once the Baskets have been removed to resolve any outstanding issues to ensure the provision is acceptable to all parties in the future and all paperwork is up to date.

f)- Items for the next agenda

- Updated action log in a different format to identify current issue holder.
- Vision ICT costs for changes to IT services

50/0825 Date and time of next meeting

The next Badsworth Parish Council meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on Wednesday 24th September 2025 in the Lawson Hut.

Meeting Closed at 8:45 pm