

## **BADSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Badsworth Parish Council held on Wednesday the 22nd January 2025 at 7:30 pm, in the Lawson Hut, Main Street, Badsworth. WF9 1AF**

**Present:** Cllrs J Broadhurst, K Flanagan, B Graham.

**Members of the public:** Two.

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

**94/0125 To appoint a Chair for this meeting.**

**RESOLVED** Cllr Broadhurst chair the meeting, Cllr Broadhurst welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**95/0125 To receive comments or questions from members of the public.**

**Q1** It was asked when Parking was going to be enforced in the Village as a resident had been trapped in their car unable to get off their drive due to badly parked cars.

**A1** The Council is aware of the issues and will as a result of this question ask our Ward Councillors to enquire about parking enforcement from Wakefield Council.

**Q2** It was noted that dog fouling had become an issue again, it was asked if the Council would supply dog waste bags as in the past.

**A2** The Council agreed to purchase dog waste bags.

**96/0125 To receive and consider apologies for absence.**

**RESOLVED** to accept reason and apology from Cllr Graves.

Apologies from Ward Councillors Carrington, Roberts and Garbutt noted.

**97/0125 To consider any co-options**

Nothing for this meeting

**98/0125 To receive any declarations of personal and /or prejudicial interests**

No declarations.

**99/0125 To consider matters which should be dealt with in open, or confidential session.**

(Items for which the Press and Public may be excluded further to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

No items for closed session.

**100/0125 To receive parish information from District Councillors/inform the District Councillors of Parish issues.**

It was noted that a fly tipping issue reported to Ward Cllr Carrington had been dealt with and the matter was not cleared. Communication regarding Highways works and possible traffic calming had been sent to the Council. Cllr Carrington was thanked for her work on behalf of the Parish.

**101/0125 To confirm the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting**

**Resolved** to accept the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18th December 2024 as a true and accurate record.

**102/0125 Highways matters**

Item covered under 95/0125 Q1 no other items brought to this meeting.

**103/0125 Planning Matters**

The following item was noted-

24/02027/FUL 19 Saddlers Grove, Single storey extension to side.

**104/0125 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 2023-2024	10167.93
Income to date 'A'	11000.00
Total	21167.93
Expenditure to date 'B'	14508.88
<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>6659.05</b>

**Date 22nd January 2025**

**STATEMENT TO 3rd Jan 2025**

<b>Bank Balance</b>	8139.95
Awaiting payment 'D'	897.40
Payments in progress 'F'	583.50
<b>Balance</b>	<b>6659.05</b>

Savings Account

**STATEMENT TO 3rd Jan 2025**

Balance prior	39,479.67
Interest to 2 Sept	147.64
Interest to 2 Dec	148.19
Current Saving Balance	39,775.50
Total	46138.72

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

The following items were authorised for payment-

PAYMENTS

Jan-25

Date	Item	Payee	£
22/01/2025	Wages	A Woodhead	317.80
22/01/2025	PAYE	HMRC	79.60
22/01/2025	Charitable Donation	Prince of Wales Hospice	500.00
		Total	897.40

**c)- To receive information on receipts and expenditure**

Papers circulated prior to the meeting noted.

**d)- To receive the current budget**

Current spend to budget was presented, note.

**e)- To consider the Budget for 2025-26 and set the precept**

**RESOLVED** to accept the budget as presented in December and set the precept at £11,550.

**f)- Bank Mandate**

The Clerk was instructed to have Cllr Flanagan and himself put on the Bank Account separately.

**105/1025 To consider Parish Matters and take action where necessary**

**a)- To consider meeting dates for 2025 and early 2026.**

**RESOLVED** that Badsworth Parish Council will meet on the following dates

Day	Date	Time
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup> January	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup> February	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup> March	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	23 <sup>th</sup> April	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup> May	7:30 p.m. Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup> June	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	23 <sup>rd</sup> July	7:30 p.m. (no meeting in August)
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup> September	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup> October	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup> November	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	7:30 p.m. (Please note this date is out of sequence)

Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup> February	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup> March	7:30 p.m.

**b)- Keeping the Village neat and tidy**

Discussion has been taking place with Upton Parish Clerk and Worker, although at an early stage it was considered advantageous if we could contract some worker hours from Upton Parish Council. It was noted that permission would be required from the owners of all land that the Council would like to tidy, this was mainly Wakefield Council. More work would be done on this and brought to the next meeting.

**c)- To consider a list of hanging basket providers and request quotes**

The list of providers was approved, it was noted that a quote has been received from one, which was within budget. Others would be asked to quote and reported to the next Parish Council meeting.

**d)- To consider a donation of £500 to the Prince of Wales Hospice**

**RESOLVED** to donate £500 from under section 137 to the Prince of Wales Hospice in recognition of the good work they undertake on behalf of the people of the area.

**e)- To consider the possibility of providing Allotments in Badsworth**

It was noted that there were many obstacles including the lack of land available from organisations or authorities that would be will to lease for this purpose. There was no evidence of need extra to anecdotal considerations, the matter would be brought back to a later meeting.

**106/1025 Governance**

**a)- Badsworth Parish Council Statement on planned use of reserves**

Badsworth Parish Council has saved over £39,000 over several years for a project that the Council no longer considers to be valid. As such extra to amounts covered by the Councils statement on the level of reserves, the Council will over several years draw down funds to pay for the Councils day to day expenditure resulting in a lower precept over this period. This is the first year this policy has been followed.

**b)- Badsworth Parish Council Asset register**

The asset register was reviewed and found to be very out of date, amendments were made and a new version will be brought to the next meeting.

Meeting Closed 8:55 pm