

BADSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Badsworth Parish Council held on Wednesday the 18th December 2024 at 7:30 pm, in the Lawson Hut, Main Street, Badsworth. WF9 1AF

Present: Cllrs J Graves (Chair) J Broadhurst, K Flanagan, B Graham.

Members of the public: None.

In Attendance: A Woodhead, Clerk.

83/1224 To receive comments or questions from members of the public.

No items

84/1224 To receive and consider apologies for absence.

Apologies from Ward Councillor Carrington, Roberts and Garbutt noted.

85/1224 To receive any declarations of personal and /or prejudicial interests

No declarations.

86/1224 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.

87/1224 To receive parish information from District Councillors/inform the District Councillors of Parish issues.

No items

88/1224 To confirm the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting

Resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 27th November 2024 as a true and accurate record.

89/1224 Highways matters

It was noted that the 20mph signs have now been fitted on Main Street, the Traffic Regulation Order has yet to be enforced, Wakefield Council are aware of the situation.

90/1224 To consider co-option to the Parish Council

Vacancy still open.

91/1224 Planning Matters

The following application was noted.

24/02027/FUL 19 Sadlers Grove, single storey extension to side.

92/1224 Financial Matters

a)- To approve accounts for payment

The following items were authorised for payment

PAYMENTS

Nov-24

Date	Item	Payee	£
17/12/2024	Wages	A Woodhead	635.80
17/12/2024	PAYE	HMRC	159.00
17/12/2024	Christmas Event Sundry items	J McKinnell	216.60
17/12/2024	Christmas Event Sundry items	B Graham	43.83
		Total (D)	1055.23

b)- To receive and consider the Bank Reconciliation

The following bank reconciliation was presented and accepted by the Council.

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'	13611.48
Current Balance	7556.45

Date 18th December 2024

STATEMENT TO 4th Dec 2024

Bank Balance	10052.03
Awaiting payment 'D'	1055.23
Payments in progress 'F'	1440.35
Balance	7556.45

Savings Account

STATEMENT TO 4th Dec 2024

Balance prior	39,479.67
Interest to 2 Sept	147.64
Interest to 2 Dec	148.19
Current Saving Balance	39,775.50
Total	47036.12

c) To receive information on receipts and expenditure

Papers circulated prior to the meeting were presented by the Clerk; Noted.

d) To receive information on the current as restated in November budget

The budget was noted by the Council.

e) To consider the first draft budget for 2025-26

The following draft budget and the precept for 2025-26 at £11,550 were considered, item to be brought back for final decision in January 2025.

Badsworth Parish Council Budget 2025-26				
Expenditure	Account Head	Approved	Proposed	

Number	Administration		Budget 2024-25	Budget 2025-26	
1	Clerks salary & staff contributions	I & J	4500	4915	LGSPA
2	Expenses (All)	K	300	312	4%
3	Insurance (All)	N	400	416	4%
4	Annual Audit fee	N	800	832	4%
5	Payroll	N	170	177	4%
6	Subs (All) and Website	L	580	603	4%
7	Village Hall Hire	O	0	0	
8	Training (All)	M	0	300	New
10	Parish initiatives- pre plan	O	2967	0	
11	Grants (Section 137 payments) No2		2000	2080	4%
12	Christmas Tree & Event No1	P	2000	2080	4%
13	Supporting Community Newsletter No3	N	600	624	4%
14	Badsworth Village Website No4	P	500	520	4%
15	Volunteers flower planting No5	O	250	260	4%
16	Hanging Baskets No6	P	2000	2080	4%
17	Village Maintenance No 7 (New)		0	1050	New
	Other				
21	Bank Charges	N		80	New
27	ICO	N		45	New
28	Election costs	O		100	New
		TOTALS	17067	16474	
	Income		2024-25	2025-26	
	Precept		11000	11550	5%
	Contribution from held balance				
	Reserves		5067	3924	
	VAT Claim (2023-24)		1000	1000	
			17067	16474	

f) Bank Mandate

Item to be progressed in the new year.

93/1224 To consider Parish Matters and take action where necessary

a)- Badsworth Christmas Tree and Event update

The Christmas Tree is now up dressed and lit by the side of the Lawson Hut, there was an issue as it blew over in recent gales, but this was quickly resolved. The event itself took place on the 4th of December as was a success, everyone enjoyed themselves. The Council thanked the many people in the Parish who helped make this a success.

b)-To consider meeting dates of 2025

RESOLVED that Badsworth Parish Council will meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month throughout 2025.

c) To consider lamp post numbers for hanging baskets

RESOLVED that the following lamp posts be used for hanging baskets in the village

Main Street- 19,18,17,16,15,14,13,12,9,8,7,6 and 5.

Ninevah Lane- 3, 5.

New Road- 8, 6.

Back Lane- 4,5,10,11,12.

Twenty two hanging baskets in total.

d) To consider the following items

i) Badsworth Parish Council Level of Reserves

Paper noted as current.

ii) Badsworth Parish Council Complaints Policy

RESOLVED to adopt as amended.

iii) Badsworth Parish Council Model Publication Scheme

RESOLVED to adopt as amended.

iv) Badsworth Parish Council Vexatious Policy

RESOLVED to adopt.

c) To consider Badsworth Way and any action necessary

Informal talks have failed to move this item forward, despite positive first discussions.

The Council will maintain a watching brief and will lobby Wakefield Council as required.

d) To consider the Church Yard and any other areas of ground that may require attention within the village.

RESOLVED that a small budget be set aside to pay for modest works to tidy areas where consent and agreements have been reached with the owners of identified areas in order to ensure the Village is kept tidy.

Meeting closed at 8:30pm