

**BURTON-CUM-WALDEN PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
TUESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2026**

A meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Village Hall, West Burton, on Tuesday, 6 January 2026.

Present: Miss Jane Ritchie, Mr Andrew Landau, Mrs Sally Sahin and Mr David Dent, Councillors, and Mr Richard Nolan, Clerk  
Apologies: Mrs Victoria Whitehead

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillor Whitehead.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the apologies.

**2. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 6 January 2026, having been circulated to all Members, were confirmed as a true copy, and duly signed by the Chairman.

**4. Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported on the following matters:

- B122 Notices from HM Land Registry
- Mower
- Yorkshire Water and the West Burton sewerage works
- Parish clerk's salary
- Parish Land
- Council Finances

**RESOLVED:** To accept and note the report.

**5. Best Kept Village Competition**

The Council considered entering the Best Kept Village Competition in 2026.

**RESOLVED:** To enter the Competition.

**6. West Burton School**

The Council received an oral report from the Chairman on developments relating to the School. The Council heard that an architect (Mr Peter Harrison) had drawn up plans for possible conversion of the School into social housing. An application for scoping funding had been made to Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority. The Chairman was investigating the necessary insurance for the buildings if the School closes (on 31 March, according to current proposals).

**7. Bonfire Night 2026**

The Council considered setting the date for the Bonfire Night celebrations in 2026.

**RESOLVED:** To set Saturday 7 November 2026 as the date for the Bonfire Night celebrations in 2026.

**8. Clerk's salary and hours**

The Council considered the Clerk's salary and hours.

**RESOLVED:** To leave the Clerk's salary and hours unchanged, pending the National Pay Award for 2026/27, which has not yet been made (see Item 4 above).

### **9. Items of Interest or Concern from the NYC Parish Update, the YLCA White Rose Bulletin and the YLCA weekly News and Notifications**

Councillors raised the following items of interest or concern arising since the last meeting of the Council in any of (i) the NYC Parish Update, (ii) the YLCA White Rose Bulletin and (iii) the YLCA weekly news and notifications:

- Report to NALC of unadopted roads in the Parish
- Publicity for Yorkshire Ready Together (to go in next Parish Newsletter)
- The Age Concern Silver Line Helpline (to go in next Parish Newsletter).

### **10. Invoices**

There were no invoices

### **11. Notice of meetings and reports of meeting attended**

Councillors noted the dates of future meetings and reports of meetings attended.

### **15. Items for the next agenda**

The following item was set down for the agenda of the meeting of the Parish Council on 3 March 2026:

- Aysgarth Cemetery Committee and its finances.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Date of the next meeting: **Tuesday, 3 March 2026 at 8.00 pm** in the Village Hall.

Chairman

Date: 3 March 2026