

**Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Council of Sandy Lane Parish Council held on
14th April 2025 at Bethel Baptist Church, Sandy Lane**

Present:

Councillors Sajid Hussain, Sue Ledger, Bev Porter (Chair), Geoff Pounds,
Sandra Shallcross

Clerk Eve Haskins

In attendance No members of the public were present

Meeting commenced at 6.00pm.

34/25 Apologies

Apologies received, and the reasons for absence approved, from Councillor Sughra Nazir.

35/25 Declarations of interest

None.

36/25 Minutes of previous meetings

Resolved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th March 2025 as a true and correct record, subject to the amendment that the planning application at Gazeby Hall, Back Lane, Wilsden, was approved by Bradford Council.

37/25 Public forum

1. Littering in the village

It was reported that the problem with litter in the village is increasing, especially at the top of Rydale Way: agreed that the Clerk to contact Accent Housing to report this issue.

38/25 Representation from Ward Officer/Ward Councillors

None present.

39/25 Ongoing issues

- a) Fun day 2025

The Clerk reported that only three residents have offered to help out at a potential fun day in the summer, following a call out for volunteers, in addition to the loss of the help of the local scouts group this year.

Resolved to agree that a summer event will not be held again this year, due to lack of volunteer help.

- b) Cul-de-sac signs on Grasleigh Avenue and Grasleigh Way

It was confirmed that Bradford Council will be placing cul-de-sac signs in this area as requested by residents, however noted that this has still not yet taken place.

40/25 Planning issues

- a) **Resolved** to agree the following regarding current planning applications:

- (i) 25/01045/HOU: Two storey/single storey side and rear extension including front porch at 10 Dale Croft Rise, Sandy Lane, Bradford: no objection.
- (ii) 25/01005/HOU: Double storey extension to side/part rear and porch to front of property at 6 Acacia Drive, Sandy Lane, Bradford: no objection.

- b) Planning decisions by Bradford Council:

- (i) 25/00200/HOU: Demolition of existing attached garage and construction of two storey side and rear extension with dropped kerb at front at 102A Dale Croft Rise, Sandy Lane, Bradford – granted (the Parish Council had no objection to this application).
- c) Local Development Plan: no updates.

41/25 Financial matters

1. **Resolved** to approve the following accounts for payment at the meeting:
 - a. Bradford Council for salaries for February 2025 (£702.82).
 - b. Clerk's reimbursement for postage and travel (£49.65).
 - c. Gardener for defibrillator checking/cleaning (£32.00).
 - d. Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) for annual subscription (£210.00).
 - e. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations (YLCA) for annual subscription (£809.00).
2. **Noted** the bank balance as per the last bank statement dated 31st March 2025: £467.36.
3. **Resolved** to adopt the Financial Regulations.
4. **Resolved** to approve the payment of payroll monies to Bradford Council via direct debit.
5. **Resolved** to authorise the Chair as the payroll signatory.

42/25 Correspondence received

- Emails from YLCA re White Rose publication, Law and Governance Bulletin, amended Financial Regulations and Standing Orders etc.: acknowledged.
- Email from Bradford Council Payroll re payment via direct debit: acknowledged, see agenda item 41/25/4.
- Email from local Scouts leader re their recent litter picking in Greenwood Park: acknowledged.
- Emails from three residents re volunteering to help out at the summer event this year: acknowledged, see agenda item 39/25a.
- Email from Ron Bailey in Parliament re Safety of Lithium-ion Batteries Campaign: acknowledged.
- Email from a resident re planning application for 102A Dale Croft Rise, Sandy Lane: acknowledged, Councillor Shallcross reported that she visited the resident to discuss the application further.
- Email from PKF Littlejohn LLP re Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) for 2024-25: acknowledged, AGAR to be approved at the June meeting.
- Email from Lord Mayor's Office re 'Save the Date' day for Yorkshire Day (1st August 2025): acknowledged.

43/25 Minor items and items for next agenda

Agreed that the election of the Chair and Vice Chair and review of usual policies etc. to take place at the next meeting.

44/25 To note the date, time and venue of next meeting

Next meeting of the Parish Council due to be held on Monday 12th May 2025 at Bethel Baptist Church at 6.00pm, confirmed as the Annual Meeting of the Council; to be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 6.00pm [NB It was agreed following the meeting that the next meetings would take place on Monday 19th May 2025].

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 6.35pm.