

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE MOXON ROOM, CAWTHORNE VILLAGE HALL, ON
THURSDAY 15th JANUARY 2026**

Present

Councillors: Cllr John Walker (Chair) Cllr S Eyre (Vice Chair), Cllr M Broadhead, Cllr R Herbert, Cllr S Rusby, Cllr J Wilson, Cllr S Shaw, Cllr J McNally, Cllr A Jackson

Clerk: Mrs A Winstanley

Members of the Public: Mandy Dawes

Minute No 160 REASON FOR ABSENCE

None

Minute No 161 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

Minute No 162 TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC

A resident Mandy Dawes attended the meeting and asked the Parish Council their thoughts on having some Christmas decorations placed around the village.

The Parish Council explained that this request had been received in the past and the problems were the expense and also that we were dealing with public money. It was discussed that a note would be placed in the parish magazine asking for sponsorship and fundraising.

Minute No 163 TO RESOLVE TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4th DECEMBER 2025

Minutes accepted and signed as true.

Minute No 164 DISCUSS MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- The fence at bates farm was discussed and the fence is still down and that the field is still being used for dogs to do their business without any cleaning up.
- It was noted that the grates that had been left proud by quickline had been repaired – The clerk reported that a telephone call had been made to the company.
- It was mentioned that Park House had trimmed down some of the hedges

Minute No 165 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Cllr Jane Wilson gave a report from the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on 11th December 2025

Minute No 166 TO RECEIVE THE BUDGET FOR 2026/27

A Winstanley (Clerk) presented the 2026/2027 budget which was approved by the Parish Council

Minute No 167 TO RECEIVE 2026/27 PRECEPT

A Winstanley (Clerk) presented a precept report with the recommended precept amount to the Parish Council which was approved by the Parish Council.

Minute No 168 TO APPROVE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS AS PER APPENDIX

Approved

Minute No 169 TO RECEIVE BMBC PLANNING DECISIONS

None

Minute No 170 TO RECEIVE ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THIS MEETING

None

Minute 171 TO RECEIVE THE CLERKS REPORT

- Preparation of Budget 26.27
- Preparation of Precept 26.27
- Preparation of Minutes & Agenda
- General e mail enquiries

Minute No 172 TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence been dealt with since last meeting

Minute No 173 TO RECEIVE MEMBERS REPORTS

Cllr Walker mentioned that the lights on the church are still maintained each year by the same person and asked if an e mail could be sent on behalf of the Parish Council expressing thanks.

Cllr McNally mentioned doggy bags that had been thrown in the hedges and bushes and also there was more dog mess on the pavements. Cllr McNally suggested that it be put in the Barnsley Chronicle. Clerk will also mention it in the Parish notes and magazine.

Cllr Eyre also mentioned the problem of dog mess and said that a prime area was the park. A discussion around the stencils that were once painted onto the pavements go mentioned and the clerk is to request this again from BMBC. Cllr Eyre mentioned that there had been a dead bird seen on 'The Park' and expressed it needed removing due to bird flu. The clerk will get in touch with the relevant place to remove.

Cllr eyre reported that there had been two ad-blue containers on the bypass that looked as if they had just been thrown out of a window. He asked if a litter pick could be arranged for some time in March – the clerk will follow this up.

Cllr Broadhead mentioned the potholes entering the village on Church Lane just before Gallery 2 and asked that the clerk report these.

Cllr Rusby reported that there was to be some firearms training for South Yorkshire Police on different dates using Cawthorne Recreation Grounds in early 2026.

Minute No 174 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS WHICH DOES NOT REQUIRE A RESOLUTION OR A DECISION

None

Minute No 175 TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the next Full Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 5th February 2026 at 7.30pm in the Moxon Room.