



MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE 2025

COUNCILLORS: Wilkinson, Watson, Jerom, Jackson, Platten & Hannan

Clerk: Martin Clark

Visitors: Teesdale Mercury

1. Acceptance, or otherwise of apologies

Apologies were submitted by Thelwell.

Resolved – That the submitted apologies be approved.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to consider whether they might have a personal or a pecuniary interest

in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting. If so, it is requested that any such interest be declared now. If subsequently during the consideration of any matter, it

becomes apparent to any member that he/she does, indeed, have an interest, it should then be declared immediately.

Resolved – No personal or pecuniary declarations were made.

3. Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 7 May 2025

Resolved – That the minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on the 7 May 2025 are approved.

4. Clerks Report

The Clerk referred to submitting the external audit, ordering recycling bins for Gainfest, and arranging a visit in September from Durham Community Action.

Resolved – that the information be received and noted.

5. Finance/Accounts

5.1 June reconciliation and payments – Received

Additional payments:

CE Walker - £361.20

Minutes 11 June 2025

Clear Design - £90.00

Resolved – That the June meeting payments and reconciliation be approved.

6. Local Maintenance/Village Issues

6.1 Rec field fencing line (riverside)

Due to some damage to the fencing it was agreed to ask Mr Pickering to quote for work along that stretch.

6.2 Weed control

It was agreed to request Home Task Handyman to spray the weeds along the main road through the village

6.3 Speeding

Cllr Hannan requested contact with Winston, Staindrop and Ingleton Parish Councils to ask if they would like to join Gainford in lobbying Durham County Council to look at strategies to reduce speeding across the village.

It was agreed the Clerk makes contact with each Clerk to request this as an agenda item.

7. Correspondence

Durham Community Action	Affordable housing profile
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8. Planning

None.

9. Parish Council Brand Development

The new branding project has been completed, and the files have been downloaded. It was agreed to place something in Focus magazine by way of a launch.

Members to look at signage required to have the new branding placed on them.

10. Annual Parish Meeting

Cllr Wilkinson advised members that the meeting was very well attended by groups and individuals. Thanks were extended to Cllr Jerom for making a room available at the pub.

Date & time of next ordinary meeting

Wednesday 2 July 2025 6.30pm

