

CRAKEHALL WITH LANGTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Crakehall with Langthorne Parish Council meeting on
Wednesday, 21 May 2025 at Crakehall Village Hall at 7:20pm, following the
Annual Parish Meeting

Present: Councillors Shaw (Chair), Randall (Vice-Chair), Ventham,
and Wilson

Also present: 7 parishioners.

Clerk: Mr R Williams

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Stirke, and North
Yorkshire Council Councillor Weighell.

2. Councillors' Declarations of Acceptance of Office

The Clerk reported that subject to the Standing Orders, this item was not
necessary to complete as all standing councillors had already completed
their declarations of acceptance upon election/co-option.

3. Councillors' Registrations of Interest

The Clerk encouraged councillors to ensure they keep their registrations
updated.

4. Election of Chairman and Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Resolved: That Councillor Shaw be elected as Chair of the Parish
Council, proposed by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor
Ventham.

5. Election of Vice-Chairman and Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Resolved: That Councillor Randall be elected as Vice-Chair of the Parish
Council, proposed by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor
Ventham.

6. Co-option of Parish Councillor

The Clerk reported that due to the vacancy of a parish councillor position, the council was able to co-opt a councillor to the position. It was reported that two candidates had submitted applications to the council and it was resolved that:

- Elaine Buckley would be co-opted as a Parish Councillor.

Cllr Buckley signed her Declaration of Acceptance and joined the meeting.

7. Selection of Representatives

It was resolved that the following Councillors would be appointed as the council's representatives to the following bodies:

- Yorkshire Local Councils Association (YLCA): Randall
- Crakehall Village Hall Management Committee: Ventham
- Rector Four and Twenty of Bedale: Buckley, Shaw

8. Cemetery Report

The Chair presented the Cemetery Report for the year 2024/25 and noted that the cemetery had received in total £665 over the year, and that this was lower than expected, however following the council's budgetary decisions fees had been increased in August 2025 and would be maintained at the new rate for 2025/26, with the expectation that income would increase.

9. To appoint lead members for various responsibilities across the parish

It was resolved that the following Councillors would be appointed as lead members to the following areas:

- Road Safety: Shaw
- Grass Cutting and Trees: Randall
- Cemetery: Shaw, Wilson
- Village Maintenance: Ventham (Crakehall), Stirke (Langthorne)
- Playgrounds : Shaw
- Footpaths : Stirke
- Social Media : Randall, Shaw, Ventham

10. Minutes of the Previous Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 May 2024

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Wednesday, 15 May 2024 were approved and signed as a correct record.

Reece Williams

Clerk to Crakehall with Langthorne Parish Council

These minutes remain as a draft until they are formally approved by Crakehall with Langthorne Parish Council at its next Annual Meeting in May 2026.