

# Haworth with Stanbury Village Council

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## Minutes of of the Annual Meeting of Haworth with Stanbury Village Council

To be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024  
at West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth

**Present:**

Councillor Swallow [Chair];  
Councillor Jamie Cooper;  
Councillor David Mahon;  
Councillor Zoe Hogan- Stead;  
District Councillors Brown [to 7.45pm], Herd [to 7.45pm] and Poulsen;  
Lisa Balderstone - Clerk to the Village Council.

69.24	<b>Election of the Chair of the Village Council</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor Swallow,</b> <b>Seconded by Councillor Cooper, and</b> <b>Resolved: That Councillor T Mahon be elected as the Chair of the Village Council for 2024/2025.</b>
70.24	<b>Election of the Vice Chair of the Village Council</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor D Mahon,</b> <b>Seconded by Councillor Hogan-Stead, and</b> <b>Resolved: That Councillor Swallow be elected as the Vice Chair of the Village Council for 2024/2025.</b>
71.24	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor T Mahon and Councillor Woodward.
72.24	<b>Recording of Council Meetings</b> The rules of the Recording of Council Meetings was noted.
73.24	<b>To record any declarations of interest on the agenda</b> None.
74.24	<b>Invited Guests</b> <b>74.24.01 West Yorkshire Police</b> Nothing brought forward in the absence of West Yorkshire Police representatives.  <b>74.24.02 Bradford MDC Worth Valley Ward Councillors</b> District Councillor Poulsen confirmed that District Councillor Brown has recently been re elected to his position as District Councillor for the Worth Valley Ward. District Councillors Brown, Herd and Poulsen will represent the ward for the next two years, as there is no election next year.  The meeting was pleased to note that the unofficial 1940s weekend had passed without incident, with no issues being reported.  District Councillor Poulsen explained that she is continuing to pursue contractors to ensure that the necessary work at River View is undertaken as soon as possible, to ensure that the road can be formally adopted.

	<p>District Councillor Poulsen reported on having recently met with management at Keighley Waste Recycling Centre, to raise concerns brought to her attention by local residents.</p> <p>District Councillor Herd agreed to work with the Village Council on issues relating to Haworth Central Park. It was agreed that District Councillor Herd and Councillor Swallow should seek to set up a meeting with Bradford Officers onsite at the Park.</p>
75.24	<p><b>Adjournment for Public Enquiries</b> Nothing brought forward.</p>
75.24	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meetings</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor Cooper,</b> <b>Seconded by Councillor D Mahon, and</b> <b>Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024 be approved as a true and accurate record of proceedings to be signed by the Chair.</b></p>
76.24	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>76.24.01 Payment Schedule 12</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor Swallow,</b> <b>Seconded by Councillor D Mahon, and</b> <b>Resolved: That payments be approved as stated in Payment Schedule 12.</b></p> <p><b>76.24.02 Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring</b> Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitor noted, as circulated.</p> <p><b>76.24.03 Grant Applications</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor Swallow,</b> <b>Seconded by Councillor Woodward, and</b> <b>Resolved: That £250 be awarded as a start up grant for Haworth Machu-Picchu Twining Group</b></p>
77.24	<p><b>Village Council Appointments for 2024/2025</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor D Mahon,</b> <b>Seconded by Councillor Swallow, and</b> <b>Resolved: That the following appointments be confirmed for 2024/2025:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>YLCA Branch meeting representatives (two positions);</u></b> <b>Councillors T Mahon and Swallow.</b></li> <li>• <b><u>Toilets Lead;</u></b> <b>Councillor D Mahon.</b></li> <li>• <b><u>Allotments Lead;</u></b> <b>Councillor Cooper.</b></li> <li>• <b><u>Rights of Way Lead;</u></b> <b>Councillor Swallow.</b></li> <li>• <b><u>Environment Lead;</u></b> <b>Councillor Cooper.</b></li> <li>• <b><u>Planning Lead;</u></b> <b>Councillor D Mahon.</b></li> <li>• <b><u>Bronte Country Partnership Representative;</u></b> <b>Councillor D Mahon.</b></li> </ul>

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78.24	<p><b>Annual Review of Village Council Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Policies.</b> Noted, as recently viewed.</p>
79.24	<p><b>Planning</b>  <b>79.24.01 Planning Application No: 24/01489/HOU - Proposed single storey rear extension to south east elevation at Lower Slack Farm, Ponden Lane, Stanbury, BD22 0HP.</b>  <b>Resolved:</b> The Village Council has concerns regarding this planning application. We are aware that Lower Stack Farm dates back to the 17th century and is a Grade 2 listed building. We have noted the comments made by Bradford MDC Conservation Officer relating to the current extension which appears to have been built without planning permission and that the previous build is not in keeping with a List Building.</p> <p>Haworth with Stanbury Village Council would like to refer to local Neighbourhood Plan which was approved by Bradford MDC, one of the aims in the document is to adequately protect the parish's heritage assets both inside and outside the conservation areas of Haworth and Stanbury and to ensure that all new developments are in keeping with the existing and historical architectural character</p> <p>Listed Buildings are part of that heritage of the area therefore most modern additions have a detrimental impact on the character of the original building. In this case the proposed extension is larger than the current conservatory , it is clear to the Village Council that the new application's is a very modern build and not in keeping with a Grade 2 listed building and out of character therefore we would oppose this application</p> <p><b>79.24.02 Planning Application No: 24/01334/HOU - Single storey side extension at 6 Office Row, Mytholmes, Haworth, BD22 7RD.</b>  <b>Resolved: No objections.</b></p> <p><b>79.24.03 Planning Application No: 24/00753/FUL - Change of use of two holiday lets to form one 5-bed dwelling plus single storey extension to east elevation at Buckley Green Bottom Farm, Cold Knowle End Road, Stanbury, BD22 0HL</b>  <b>Resolved: No objections.</b></p>

80.24	<p><b>Allotments &amp; Environment Issues</b></p> <p><b>80.24.01 Allotments Update</b> Councillor Cooper provided an update on the latest developments on the allotment sites. The gates at West Lane have recently been repaired as previously agreed.</p> <p>Councillor Cooper reported on a very successful visit by children from Lees Primary School. The children really engaged with the visit and behaved impeccably. It is hoped that further school visits can be encouraged as this is the future of gardening.</p> <p><b>80.24.02 Footpaths across the Parish</b> Councillor Swallow reported that the blocked footpath on the way to Oxenhope remains an issue, despite being previously reported to the District Councillor. Councillor Swallow agreed to chase this issue up.</p> <p><b>Proposed by Councillor Swallow, Seconded by Councillor D Mahon, and Resolved: That £259 be spent on weedkilling at identified footpaths across the Parish.</b></p> <p><b>80.24.03 Stanbury Environmental Issues</b> <b>Proposed by Councillor D Mahon, Seconded by Councillor Swallow, and Resolved: That up to £100 be spent on weedkilling in Stanbury.</b></p> <p><b>80.24.04 Planting and Planters across the Parish</b> Nothing new brought forward.</p>
81.24	<p><b>To receive an update on the Toilet Development Project and agree any action as appropriate</b> Councillor D Mahon confirmed that the Village Council has now received approval for the underspend from the Towns Fund Grant to be utilised to finance replacement turnstiles in Haworth Central Park. The current turnstiles are very dated and can no longer be repaired.</p> <p><b>Proposed by Councillor Swallow, Seconded by Councillor D Mahon, and Resolved: That turnstiles be installed at Haworth Central Park Toilet Block at a cost of £14,240 any shortfall to be funded from the Community Infrastructure Levy funding.</b></p> <p><b>Proposed by Councillor D Mahon, Seconded by Councillor Swallow, and Resolved: That an automatic sensor be fitted to the CCTV in the toilets at a cost of £120</b></p>
82.24	<p><b>Issues relating to the formation of the Village Council</b> Nothing brought forward.</p>
83.24	<p><b>Date of the next meeting:</b> Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024</p>

There being up further business to be transacted, the Chair thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.15pm.