

MUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Muston Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th July 2025 in Muston Village Hall.

Apologies: Cllr. M Donohue Moncrief.

Present: Cllr. G Owen, Cllr. F Warters, Cllr. G Barnett, Cllr. J McClusky, Cllr. D Frodin, Cllr. D Newland, Cllr. J Brigham, B Williamson (Clerk), 1 member of the public.

Notice of meeting: Cllr. Owen declared public notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Public Notice 1972 schedule 12 para 1-(2) of the Local Government Act.

Declarations of interest: None **49/25**

Open Forum: **50/25**

Resident stated he had independently initiated cutting cut the grass between Muston & Hunmanby himself & the Church Walk. Taped off the bridge as repairs required, made some temporary repairs on benches. Cllr. Owen stopped the meeting and explained that residents could not undertake tasks independently on council property & land themselves and such actions must cease immediately. The council insurance would not cover these tasks, if any accidents occurred the individual would be liable themselves. The work undertaken with good intentions has undermined the actions the council has been taking trying to get NYC to complete the grass cutting between the two village's but now is seen as not being required with responsibility shifting.

Contractors have been secured to repair the benches and bridge.

It was stated clearly that no individual should undertake any work on any property or land belonging to the Parish Council.

It was agreed the Clerk will provide the resident with contact details of the Highway Department to raise the issues directly himself with the authority.

Reports: **51/25**

- a) **Police Report:** Circulated in advance. DNA equipment marking kits available form Police for farms. Vehicles seized locally for no insurance & drug driving offences.
- b) **N.Y. Cllr. Donohue Moncrief:**

A local area newsletter has been published and highlights Local Plan & increase in housing.

Has assisted in lobbying for replacement of solar light on Carr Lane.

c) Clerks Report: Circulated in advance.

- Amended planning application received & circulated, decision required.
- Noticeboard on Carr Lane has been repaired & returned to site.
- Highways continue to be lobbied for action on footpath between Muston & Hunmanby. Currently no action as the area has been cut independently and not seen as an urgent issue to be dealt with. MPC will have to start to lobby again. Clerk will initiate.

d) Chairs report:

- Noticeboard repaired & returned.
- Phone box has been painted, another coat required.
- Posts have been concreted in.
- Commencement of bench repairs will be undertaken this week.
- Meeting with local contractor to discuss raising pond bank to avert flooding and bank repairs & discussion & quote on track repairs. Discussed. Cllr. Newland suggested a second quote. Cllrs. Frodin & Newland will arrange site visit & gain another quote for September meeting.
- Clerk will explore Locality Budget contribution with Cllr. Donohue Moncrief to support the project.

e) Other reports:

- Cllr. Barnett requested Cllr. Donohue Moncrief be thanked for assistance with solar light repairs & her continued support for inclusion of grass cutting of path between Muston & Hunmanby by NYC to be included in the annual schedule.
- Cllr. McClusky informed the defibrillator had been accessed but not used. The replacement pads expire January 2028.

To approve the minutes of meeting held on 10th June 2025: 52/25

Circulated and assumed read. Proposed to accept - Cllr. Barnett, seconded Cllr. Newland. All in agreement. Signed by Cllr. Owen.

Finance Report: Circulated. **53/25**

Income – Nil

Outgoing - £2179.86

Proposed to accept Cllr. Owen, seconded Cllr. Warters. Agreed. Signed by Cllrs. Owen & Warters.

Planning: 54/25

ZF25/00565/FLA The Bungalow, West Street: Variation in original condition to remove dormer. Discussed. No objections. Clerk will respond with support.

Parish Issues: 55/25

Bench repairs – These will commence in the forthcoming week. Bench's will be taped off as necessary.

Kissing gate & post repairs – What3Words location: quits.soups.areas. Clerk will report & request repairs again.

Footpath – Will continue to request Highways to cut & take responsibility for cutting again & inclusion on an annual schedule.

Date of Next Meeting: - **TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2025 @ 7.15PM.**

Meeting closed @ 8.05 pm