

AUSTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of meeting of Austerfield Parish Council, held at Austerfield Study Centre on
Monday 15th June 2026

Councillors present: Councillor Cox, Councillor Goodall and Councillor Howland

Officer present: C McRoy, Clerk to the Council

Also in attendance: 6 members of the public

Public Participation

- Bawtry and Austerfield Wellbeing Project would like to donate a blue picnic bench for installation on village field. The Chair thanked them for the kind offer.
- Mosaic Trust update- there had been quite a bit of bike damage on paths. There had been riders spinning wheels on the resin now with electric bikes which creates dints and grooves in the surface. The Trust are considering trying to seal the bridleway entrance off with concrete blocks- hard to find an alternative to stop them getting in. Paths are the main concern with grooves digging into it, getting to the hardcore underneath. Cameras are also being considered. A new bench was put in yesterday.
- Another member of the public reported an overhanging tree near where noticeboard is near William Bradford Close . The Chair confirmed this needed reporting to Doncaster Council Highways as it is on Doncaster Council land.
- High Common Lane is still covered with sand, no improvement at all. At the sides and in the middle of the road. {The Ward members agreed to chase Highways enforcement regarding this}.
- Concerns were expressed regarding the operating times on the old factory site. There is work going on 7 days a week, and was noise at 7am sun 14th June. Dust and dirt were reported as worse than when the factory was there.

1. To receive any apologies and consider approval of reasons for absence. Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Bryan-Peach.
2. To receive any Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary & Non Pecuniary Interests.- none
3. To consider agenda items which may be subject to exclusion of the press and public- none.

4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 18th May 2026 as a true record.

RESOLVED: The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

5. To appoint 2 Council representatives to attend YLCA South Yorkshire Branch meetings, and 1 for each to attend Doncaster Council Parish Councils Joint Consultative Committee and Public Rights of Way Forum meetings-. Members discussed their availability and which meetings were hybrid.

RESOLVED: Clerk to send further details out about each one and put on September agenda for further consideration. Councillor Howland was appointed to attend Bawtry and Austerfield Wellbeing Project meetings on behalf of the Council

6. To receive information and updates on the following matters and decide further action where necessary:
 - a) Maintenance of flower beds- update – Members discussed the best way to move forwards with this.

RESOLVED: Clerk to ask the Council's handyman if he would be willing to do this and allocated a budget of £50.

- b) To consider prices for planter signs. Members considered the previous price and alternative price.

RESOLVED: To proceed with Beacon Signs at a cost of £6 each.

- c) To confirm Yorkshire Day event requirements- the Clerk reminded members of the ideas discussed previously and asked for guidance on the exact details. Members considered the options.

RESOLVED: Clerk to put out a request to the public for their feedback on what they would like an event to look like.

7. To receive a Ward Councillor report. Ward members reported the following:

- The new year's Ward budget is now live- please let any local groups, or organisations who need funding know
- Bawtry arts festival had started that day for 2 weeks
- Pine Lodge appeal to Secretary of State- have been told to stop work as they didn't have full planning permission
- Airport Consultive Committee is starting up again- the noise monitoring sub-committee encouraged parish council members previously so is likely to do so again
- Bawtry July South Yorkshire Police bi-monthly community engagement meetings are at the Town Hall, evening meetings. Chair of Bawtry Town Council will be chairing Austerfield are welcome to attend.

8. Matters raised by councillors not included elsewhere on the agenda

None notified in advance (no decisions can be made on items raised here at the meeting). None

8. To agree any matters for reporting to outside bodies

(e.g speeding, drainage, flooding, highways or footpath issues).

RESOLVED: To report to Doncaster Council regarding condition of High Common Lane, and overgrown tree near William Bradford Close.

9. Accounts and Financial Matters: To receive and approve:

a) Bank statements to 1st June 2026. Balances were confirmed as £7,866.65 for the current account and £8,478.01 for the reserve account.

b) Approval of accounts for payment

RESOLVED: the following accounts were approved for payment:

Transaction ref	Payment type	Payee	Payment for	Amount
1	DD	Tesco Mobile	Mobile phone charges March	£13.78
2	DD	British Gas	April to May	£12.79
3	BACS	Staff costs	Staff costs	£259.35
4	BACS	Ionos	Website domain hosting	£6.00
5	BACS	HP Instant Ink	Printing and ink charges	£6.49
6	Internal Transfer	Unity Bank	Monthly account fee	£7.00
7	BACS	Argos reimbst CM	HP OfficeJet Pro 8122e printer & 3 months HP ink	£94.99
8	BACS	Austerfield Study Centre	Room hire for meeting	£40.00
-	-	-	Total expenditure for approval	£440.40

c) Acceptance and Approval of the Internal Audit Report for 2025-2026. Not yet received. The Clerk recommended that the Council should not proceed with agenda items 9d-f until the Council has the Internal Audit Report.

RESOLVED: Clerk to arrange an additional Council meeting once the report was received to ensure the deadline for submission could be met.

d) Approval of Annual Governance Statement – AGAR 2025-2026 and confirmation of public rights dates- deferred

e) Approval of the Accounting Statements - AGAR 2025-2026- deferred

f) Approval of the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2025-2026- deferred

10. Planning matters

Application consultations:

a) Planning application ref: 25/02444/FUL Planning Appeal ref: 26/00019/HOUSE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED) – PLANNING APPEAL AGAINST REFUSAL OF A HOUSEHOLDER APPLICATION. Erection of detached domestic garage building with gym above. Pine Lodge Country Park, Thorne Road, Austerfield

b) 26/00929/FUL Erection of detached double garage (being variation to condition 3 of planning application 26/00391/FUL; Approved Plans). Beawood House, Doncaster Road, Bawtry

c) 26/01037/FULM Erection of buildings and sports pitches to form a football training centre with elite, professional, and community facilities, including user and staff accommodation and ancillary facilities, with associated landscaping, access, and parking. Land North Of Martin Grange Farm, Martin Grange Farm Lane, Bawtry

RESOLVED: No comments to be made.

11. To identify news items for Council website and social media. Items regarding Yorkshire day event- who will come along and a request to report any Mosaic trust reserve damage to South Yorkshire Police with times and dates.

12. To receive the following correspondence and consider any necessary action.
None not already actioned

13. To consider whether any items raised in public participation require a future agenda item.

RESOLVED: Relocation of donated picnic bench

14. To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on a future agenda. None additional to those identified above.

15. To confirm the date of the next meeting.
20 July 2026 at 7pm

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