

**WARMSFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, 16th MARCH 2026
AT 7.00PM
AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, KIRKTHORPE**

031/03/26. PRESENT

Present:- Cllrs Wilby (Chair), Vasey, Medford, Wood, Dunbavin and Naven.
District Cllr Wilton and District Cllr Khan.
Parish Clerk:-Tracy Johnson

032/03/26. APOLOGIES.

Cllr Smith, Wallis and Sanderson.

033/03/26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None.

034/03/26. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

None.

035/03/26. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

To consider the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting on Monday, 16th February 2026.
IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting were a true and accurate record and were duly signed by Cllr Wilby. They were proposed by Cllr Naven and seconded by Cllr Wood.

036/03/26. ONGOING MATTERS.

- a. To receive an update on the Battery Storage Facility. The Inquiry starts on 14th April 2026 and is scheduled for 10 days. Heath Residents Association is meeting with the Barrister on Friday. The timetable for the hearing will be sent within the next few days and Cllr Dunbavin will circulate this once it has been received.
- b. To receive an update on the signs for Heath, Kirkthorpe and Warmfield. The funds have been approved for the signs and these are going to be done inhouse by Wakefield Council. District Cllr Wilton and Cllr Medford will clarify that the signs are going to be the same as the original ones for Heath and will all be the same as these and will also get a time frame for these being done.
- c. To receive an update on the traffic calming at Kirkthorpe. This was discussed with the Police at the Heath Residents Meeting. Cllr Dunbavin is looking into hiring a speed gun. The cost for this would be £300 a week and would enable residents to gain data on speeding throughout the village.
- d. To receive an update on the traffic calming through Heath. This was discussed with the Police at the Heath Residents Meeting. Cllr Dunbavin is looking into hiring a speed gun. The cost for this would be £300 a week and would enable residents to gain data on speeding throughout the village.
- e. To receive an update on the hedge on Boundary Lane. Small shrubs have been planted but the fence and the gate still remain in place. It was resolved that Cllr Medford would send the Clerk the details of the original planning application and that the Clerk would object to this.
- f. To receive an update on fires and lorries tipping rubble at the top of Kirkthorpe Lane. The tipping of rubble is spreading further along. There have been no fires since the No Fire Order was placed so this has now been removed. The Parish Council asked if it would be possible

to see a copy of the enforcement notice and who pays the Council Tax. District Cllr Wilton said he would see if it would be possible to send the documents to the Parish Council.

g. To receive an update on the outstanding sites throughout the Parish. There is no further update since the last meeting.

h. To consider the approved planning application on 61a Warmfield Lane. It was resolved that this would be carried on to the next meeting once the Parish Council had seen the documents which District Cllr Wilton would see if he could forward on.

i. To receive an update on the Heath Residents Meeting. These have been covered in (a), (c) and (d) above.

j. To receive an update on the Commons Liaison meeting. The main update was on the Fair at Heath Common. This will be held at Easter unless the ground is too soft, in which case the organisers will put in an application to have the date changed to the first bank holiday in May as they don't want to get the lorries stuck or churn up the common.

k. To consider the Service Level Agreements for 2026-27 from Wakefield Council. The Clerk has received the Service Level Agreements for the next financial year. It was resolved that these be agreed and that the Clerk would sign and send these back to Wakefield Council.

037/03/26. COMMUNITY CENTRE

a. To receive an update on repairs to the Community Centre. No repairs have been carried out since the last meeting.

b. To consider any other bookings for the Community Centre. There are no bookings to consider at this time.

038/03/26. KIRKTHORPE PLAYING FIELDS.

a. To consider weekly inspections and agree any action required in respect of the playing fields. There are tyre marks on the playing field from when Wakefield Council have cut the grass. It was resolved that the Clerk would email Wakefield Council and ask if this can be put right.

b. To consider repair of the playing field fence. The playing field fence has still not been repaired. The Clerk has emailed Wakefield Council several times asking if this could be repaired. It was resolved that she would email again regarding this.

039/03/26. FINANCE

a. To consider the Account Balances & Authorisation of Cheques for March. It was resolved that the amounts below should be paid and that Cllr Vasey and Cllr Smith sign the cheques. The Parish Council asked if there was a water meter at the Community Centre. It was resolved that the Clerk would get in touch with Business Stream and ask.

Warmfield cum Heath Parish Council Payments Schedule – March 2026

Payments to be approved	Payee	Cqno.	Amount	VAT
Clerks Salary	T.Johnson		£621.83	
Clerks Expenses	T.Johnson		£33.90	
Cleaner	S.Cowan		£50.00	
Electric	E.ON Next	DD	£268.39	
Water Rates	Business Stream	DD	£355.61	
Total March			£1,329.73	

Bank Reconciliation as at 27 February 2026	
Opening Balance	14,472.81
Total Receipts	£0.00
Total Payments	£956.43
Closing Balance	£13,516.38

Account Balances	
Community Account	£13,516.38
Savings Account	£14,728.80
Total	£28,245.18

040/03/26. PLANNING MATTERS

New Planning Applications

- **25/00817/FUL – The Boat Yard, Heath** – Proposed Enlargement of Curtailment area. **Deadline for Comments: 26/02/26.** The deadline for this has already passed, and the Parish Council has already objected to the original planning application.
- **24/02193/LBC - Heath House, Heath, Wakefield, WF1 5SN** – 1 eye bolt(s) with all associated fixtures and fittings. **Deadline for Comments: 24/04/2026.**

Planning Decisions

- **26/00091/AGR - Low Farm, Warmfield Lane, Warmfield, Wakefield** - Prior approval for the provision of a private way - **Prior Approval Required and Granted. 05/03/2026.**

041/03/26. TO CONSIDER MATTERS AS REQUESTED BY THE PARISH COUNCILLORS.

- None.

042/03/26. TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE AND TAKE ACTION WHERE NECESSARY.

To Consider/Note: The correspondence received since last meeting sent by email.

043/03/26. ADDITIONAL MINOR MATTERS/ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- There is still graffiti in the play area. The Clerk will look into this.
- Heath Residents Association have asked if the Parish Council would be willing to make another donation towards the extra-legal costs for the barrister for the BESS inquiry. The Clerk will forward a copy of the budget for the next financial year to the Parish Councillors and add this to the agenda for consideration at the next meeting.

044/03/26. DATE/TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on **Monday, 20th April 2026** at 7pm at the Community Centre. Cllr Dunbavin gave his apologies for this meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.