



## Darrington Parish Council

# **PUBLIC NOTICE** **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of Darrington Parish Council will take place on Thursday 11 June 2026 commencing at 7pm, at the Reading Rooms, Darrington.

The first 15 minutes of the meeting is open to the press and members of the public, to put questions or raise concerns regarding matters on this agenda or for future consideration. A member of the public is limited to three (3) minutes of speaking time during the open forum and is requested to refrain from speaking or participating in the Council meeting once the open forum has closed and the formal council meeting has commenced. There is no expectation on the council to respond to any comments made at this time.

Under the openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, members of the public are allowed to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public meetings (including on social media). No prior notification is needed but it would be helpful to let the Parish Clerk know of any plans to film or record so that any necessary arrangements can be made to provide reasonable facilities to report on meetings. This permission does not extend to private meetings or parts of meetings which are not open to the public. All recording and photograph equipment should be taken away if a public meeting moves into a session which is not open to the public.

If you are recording the meeting you are asked to act in a reasonable manner and not disrupt the conduct of the meeting, for example, by using intrusive lighting, flash photography or asking people to repeat statements for the benefit of the recording. You may not make oral commentary during the meeting. The Chairman has the power to control public recording and/or reporting so it does not disrupt the meeting. Recording must be clearly visible to anyone at the meeting.

The agenda for the meeting is available at [www.darrington-pc.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.darrington-pc.gov.uk/meetings). Alternatively, please contact the Council at [clerk@darrington-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@darrington-pc.gov.uk) for a hard copy prior to the meeting.

Joanne Jones  
Proper Officer  
07 June 2026

# MEETING AGENDA

## **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM:**

Prior to commencement of the meeting there will be a fifteen-minute period for public question time. Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration, at the discretion of the Chair.

Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council Meeting itself and must adhere to the rules set by the council for this session. The public open forum does not form part of the formal meeting and will not form part of the minutes.

1. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence
2. To receive declarations of interest and applications for dispensation
  - 2.1 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
  - 2.2 To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation
3. To confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 14 May 2026 as a true and correct record
4. To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary:
  - 4.1 To notify Wakefield Council of Cllr D. Burns' and Cllr L. Thompson's re-election as Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively (JJ)
  - 4.2 To move the bench further along the verge and face it towards the field and not the road (PB)
  - 4.3 To arrange for re-decorating of the telephone box (TH)
  - 4.4 To re-send the school newsletter to councillors (LD)
  - 4.5 To amend the Financial Regulations to reflect the Responsible Financial Officer, the Chair and 1 other councillor as authorised for a Council debit card (JJ)
  - 4.6 To send the website, .gov.uk domain and email support agreement to Cllr D. Burns for signature (JJ)
  - 4.7 To arrange the boards for the Feast & Fayre stall and prepare the rota for the day (FG/LT)
  - 4.8 To update posters to reflect that the Scarecrow Competition has been cancelled and to refund residents that have paid their entry fee (WP/FG)
  - 4.9 To put the arrangements for the Evening of Entertainment in writing and share with the Council (LT)
  - 4.10 To contribute £1,000 towards the installation of a footpath across the village field (FG/LD)
  - 4.11 To request that Nick Dyas picks up the maintenance of the land to the side of the footpath to the church, at the end of the cul-de-sac in Wentworth Park Rise (LT)
  - 4.12 To liaise with Wakefield Council in respect of the planned road resurfacing in Valley Road (DB)
5. To consider the following new Correspondence received and decide action where necessary:
  - 5.1 Phonely – PSTN landline switch-off checklist
6. Financial matters:
  - 6.1 To approve the following accounts for payment in June 2026
    - 6.1.1 N Dyas – Gardening & Maintenance May 11hrs @ £16 - £176.00
    - 6.1.2 PontyVA 925 – May services - £350.00
  - 6.2 To note the following payments made in May 2026, and to retrospectively approve additional payments made post the meeting
    - 6.2.1 N Dyas – Gardening & Maintenance April 9hrs @ £16 - £144.00

- 6.2.2 ICO - ICO Annual Data Protection Renewal - £47.00
- 6.2.3 PontyVA 925 – March services - £350.00
- 6.2.4 Gallagher Ins Broker - Hiscox Ins Policy 8188182 1.6.26 - £724.89
- 6.2.5 Lee Craggs - Refund Scarecrow Fest reg fee - £5.00
- 6.2.6 Wayne Pickup - Refund Scarecrow Fest reg fee - £5.00
- 6.2.7 Darrington Golf Club - Refund Scarecrow Fest reg fee – £5.00
- 6.2.8 JRB Enterprises – Dog waste bags x 10 pks = 8,000 - £297.60
- 6.2.9 Hungry Horse – Litter pick refreshments – £36.44

6.3 To note the following income received in April 2026

- 6.3.1 Sales – Reg fee for Scarecrow Festival 2 x £5 - £10.00

6.4 To receive and approve the bank reconciliation to 31 May 2026 and to review spend against the budget to 31 March 2027

7. Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR)

- 7.1 To approve and sign the Certificate of Exemption (AGAR Form 2)
- 7.2 To approve and sign Section 1 of the AGAR – Annual Governance Statement 2025-26
- 7.3 To approve and sign Section 2 of the AGAR – Annual Statements 2025-26
- 7.4 Electors’ Rights – To note the dates of the Exercise of Public Rights as 15 June 2026 to 24 July 2026

8. To consider and decide upon the following planning applications

- 8.1 [26/00766/CPL](#) – 26 Sotheron Croft - Proposed single storey extension to rear, porch to front & alteration to soil vent pipe
- 8.2 [26/00805/FUL](#) – Stone Leigh Manor, Manor Park - Alter and Extend existing detached single storey dwelling house into two storey detached dwelling house with secondary access and extended driveway

9. To receive the following planning decisions

- 9.1 [24/01830/S7301](#) – 12 Hillcroft Close - permission 24/01830/FUL, dated 11/12/2024 (which granted permission for the demolition of existing detached garage. Proposed detached garage and single storey side/ front extension to bungalow – Application Approved
- 9.2 [26/00660/CPL](#) – 20 Beech Crescent – Conversion of integral garage – Application Approved (not tabled previously)

10. To receive information on the following monthly items and decide further action where necessary:

- 10.1 Village Traffic Working Group
- 10.2 School
- 10.3 Gardening Club
- 10.4 Village Field
- 10.5 Newsletter
- 10.6 Church
- 10.7 Newsletter-worthy items
- 10.8 Defibrillator usage

11. Governance matters:

- 11.1 To consider and approve any changes to the Publication Scheme Policy
- 11.2 To consider and approve any changes to Transparency Code

12. Matters requested by councillors:

- 12.1 To consider and decide upon dog waste bag usage in the village (FG)

12.2 To consider and decide upon request from Pontefract Civic Society regarding a Blue Plaque for Frank Sotheron (TH)

12.3 Other

13. To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

14. To confirm the date of the next meeting as Thursday 9 July 2026