

YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24th February 2026

Present: Councillors: Mick Ashforth, Anne Blenkinsopp, Ken Clayton, Graham Elliott (Chair), Dee Frith, Leah Goodwin, Sue Hallam, Nicola Humphreys and Andrew McCloy
In attendance: Matthew Lovell – Clerk + 1 member of the public

3644 Apologies for Absence

Council accepted apologies from Cllr Richard Roper

3645 Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for time constrained items

No variations required. Planning applications can be included under 28 day return rule.

3646 Declaration of Members Interests

No interests to declare.

3647 Public Speaking

- a) Public – the Applicant for Lealands attended bringing the latest plans to ask for Council comment noting the outlay removing asbestos type materials, sewer connection and needs of 6' height residents and left after Public Speaking.
- b) PCSO Boswell, County Councillor Nick Adams and District Councillor Laura Mellstrom sent apologies

3648 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the previous council

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27th January. The minutes were agreed for signature by the Chair.

3649 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded – as per agenda item

3650 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting. Planning related matters

Decisions received: NP/DDD/1225/1273 Ex-telephone Kiosk Holywell Lane - Change of use from two way communication kiosk to Information kiosk – Granted conditionally

NP/DDD/0825/0825 – Sweet Briar Cottage – proposed extension to building – Granted conditionally

NP/DDD/0625/0652 – Old School Hall House Main St – creation of new vehicular access - Refused

Planning Applications for discussion:

NP/DDD/1225/1262 Lealands Conksbury Lane – Extension and alterations to side of house and roof to rear – amended plans

Council continues to support this project having received the revised drawings uploaded on 24th February '26 and noting the efforts of the applicant to minimise the external impacts whilst accommodating a full person height central roof space in the upstairs bedroom.

NP/DDD/0226/0182 - Ash Grange Farm Long Rake Youlgrave - Listed Building consent - Re-roofing and associated works to Log Store Barn and Yard Barn One

Council supports this application providing it meets the criteria set by the PDNPA Conservation Team Officers.

Other: no matters

3651 Footpaths and Highways

The blocked drain at the bottom of Moor Lane was cleared but initially left the debris uphill and then returned to pile it downhill ready to wash across the road rather than remove it. The drain opposite Dove Cottage also needs major attention (FS-Case-803534282 - Gullies - ID GU0012206). FS-Case-769378165 – has been updated as the sink hole is getting wider. Discussions on the appalling state of potholes on the routes to A515 were discussed with recommendations to contact Charlotte Hill, Cabinet member for Potholes at DCC.

3652 Report from Village organisation representatives:

Village Hall – maintenance tasks all up to date. Interviews for the new treasurer took place today. A new evening fitness class is starting up. A new treasurers laptop and card machine have been purchased.

Waterworks – consumption remains too high please check for leaks. The rate is going up by £14 at renewal 5% increase – development costs will overshoot income this year

Scout and Community Youth Hall – Major grants are being sought to replace the 35yr old radiant heaters. Draft excluders have been fitted.

Reading Room – all ok; CLT – no news on financing the development. Well Dressing – advance road closure notice will be published tomorrow ahead of the agm that evening.

3653 Report of the Clerk / update on: -

a) Charity 520537 assets: Land Registry complete and a bill from FiT solicitor expected.

Playing Fields – ALPF – gateway widening measured up and drawing will be sent shortly. News on the STW grant is awaited for a new entrance noticeboard.

HLTB – no matters

(b) CE Car park/field, Allotments and other assets

Allotments – renewal payments underway and a reminder about this and dog fines will go in the Bugle. CE Toilet Block – no issues. Defibrillators – all ok please listen out for low battery cold weather bleeps. WI – CPR training 7th March 10-12 – all welcome to attend. Grit bins – bins ok for now.

(c) Sports Pavilion Sub-committee

TG Escapes has not come back yet and the clerk has tried two other modular sports pavilion suppliers to see if they will quote.

3654 Parish Information Kiosk

Council agreed to go ahead with the change to the Kiosk now we have planning permission.

3655 Items for Information

DALC – news and training, PDNPA per e-news circulated.

3656 Finance

a) Resolved to approve the following:

	Payee	Net	VAT
ub	HM Lovell	£836.97	
ddr	NEST	£68.62	
Ub	YU Energy HLTB	£23.00	1.16
ddr	BGaslite monthly Pav	£72.05	3.60
ub	BG CE electric	£43.10	2.16
ub	HM Lovell expenses	£14.30	
ub	CCFairies	£200.00	

Income Sumup £71.08 Allotment renewals £338.35 HB CE 135.06+160.77 HLTB 8.74+19.85

(b) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Balance @ 24 th February	CoOp	£2703.62
	CoOp Dep	£5226.01
	Unity current account	£16114.96
	Unity savings account	£10895.89

3657 Date of next meeting – 17th March 2026 Village Hall Community Room 7:15pm

Dates for 2026: 21st April – Finance meeting 7:30pm

28th April – in the Village Hall at 7pm as preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting

19th May, 23rd June, 21st July, 15th September, 20th October

3rd November finance meeting 7:30pm , 24th November

The meeting closed at 7:58 pm