

YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd June 2026

Present: Councillors: Mick Ashforth, Anne Blenkinsopp, Ken Clayton, Graham Elliott (Chair), Leah Goodwin, Sue Hallam, Andrew McCloy and Richard Roper

In attendance: Matthew Lovell – Clerk + 2 members of the public

Councillor Andrew McCloy signed the Vice Chair declaration of acceptance.

3706 Apologies for Absence

Council accepted apologies from Cllrs Dee Frith and Nicola Humphreys

3707 Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for time constrained items

No variations required. Planning application included under 28 day return rule.

3708 Declaration of Members Interests

No interests required declaration.

3709 Public Speaking

- a) Public – a New Road representative attended to ask for a meeting with residents cricket and Hucknet based on the latest information circulated.
- b) County Councillor Nick Adams and PCSO Boswell sent apologies. District Councillor Laura Mellstrom noted that DDDC has voted to continue banning weed killer on all areas it looks after.

3710 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the previous council

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19th May. The minutes were agreed for signature by the Chair.

3711 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded – none

3712 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting. Planning related matters

Decisions received: none

Application returned to meet time limits: NP/DDD/0426/0366 Meadow Place Farm Listed Building consent - Proposed re-roofing and associated works to the listed building – supported subject to meeting PDNPA Historic Building Officers requirements.

Planning Applications for discussion:

NP/DDD/0626/0576 Dove Cottage, Moor Lane, Youlgrave,
Listed Building consent - Remove the modern stone blockwork and hearth around the kitchen fire. Install a simple vernacular gritstone and hearth.

Council supports this providing specs are approved by the Listed Building Officer

NP/DDD/0226/0226 – Cricket Pavilion - Siting of temporary portacabin and widening of existing entrance to car park

Council supports this noting the need for a wider entrance for safety as recommended and agreed with DCC Highways Area Engineer and for access for the modular units both for this temporary cabin and the upcoming planning application to replace the aged out pavilion with a new one that will shortly be submitted as a Pre-App to the PDNPA.

Other: no matters

3713 Footpaths and Highways

No response from DCC on the sinkhole. Public footpath claim awaits legal process.

3714 Report from Village organisation representatives:

Village Hall – A leak in the sowing room caused this evening's change of venue with the contents being deposited in the Community Room. H&S and maintenance up to date otherwise.

Waterworks – Hollow Farm water noise is from land drainage falling into a capped shaft. Waterworks is costing the tank building and land purchase. The pumps have now started so sparing use of water is recommended but a ban will be discussed at our meeting on 20th July. All welcome to the AGM at 8pm that evening in the Reading Room.

Scout and Community Youth Hall – no report. Reading Room – ok; CLT – no news; Horticultural Show – no news; Community Speed Watch – no re-start as yet; Webster Educational Trust – no news

Bowls Club – season fully underway with more potential parking clashes to be liaised directly with the cricket club.

Well Dressing – excellent display. Whilst there were enough cones they weren't put out all along Alport Lane and most taken in Sunday morning which meant major congestion on Alport Lane and a loss for parking revenue with locals keeping cars off the highway and visitors taking the spaces.

3715 Report of the Clerk / update on: -

a) Charity 520537 assets:

Playing Fields – ALPF – The tennis volunteers are replacing the net with the original spare. Pommie Panter donation received with thanks – an outdoor table tennis table will be costed for the next meeting so see how far off target we are.

HLTB – Locks replaced all working ok.

(b) Lease renewal for National Grid and Bowls Club

Both have expired and need renewing with us as owners. Clerk to write to National Grid. Bowls Club House discussions ongoing.

(c) Kiosk and Premises Licence update

Kiosk unfortunately has a mains cable fault and National Grid will be digging on 22nd July to repair it. A temporary battery system is to keep the Kiosk Soundbits operational until then. Premises Licence awaits the fee information following several amendments to ensure all foreseeable options are covered.

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

Allotments – Unworked plot has promised to keep weeds down but wishes to continue. CE Toilet Block – locks changed and all ok. Supply restock ordered. Defibrillators – all ok apart from the Farmyard – clerk to find Manufacturer contact and go direct as still no CHT loan unit. Alport Kiosk now beeping so end of life and a new one will be purchased asap.

(e) Sports Pavilion update

Council has authorised a maximum £1400 spend on 3D drawings for internal and external display to the village and for the Pre-App. 3D noted at £800 on draft sketches provided just before this meeting and 2 amendments noted for immediate notification to remove sitting out area and have a white front face.

3716 Cricket boundary ball netting

Council has only received outline legal advice noting the final responsibility as the landowners and our insurers have noted that the recommendations of the Risk Assessment mean a solution must be implemented with liability wording to ensure the Cricket Club takes responsibility. Advice will be sought from the legal insurance consultants on this once a draft is created.

Due to the agreement between residents, cricketers and Hucknet to meet on site this item will be decided at the July meeting.

3717 Items for Information

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

3718 Finance

a) Resolved to approve the following:

	Payee	Net	VAT
ub	HM Lovell	£808.62	
ddr	NEST	£65.78	
Ub	YU Energy HLTB	£26.40	1.32
ddr	BGaslite monthly Pav	£61.85	3.09
ub	BG CE electric	£30.42	1.52
ub	HM Lovell expenses	£17.08	
ub	CCFairies	£750.00	
ub	DB Services mowing ALPF/CE	£847.00	
ub	YLCC PDNPA fee	£305.00	
ub	Phil Smith – printing for kiosk	£25.58	
ub	HMRC	£466.49	

Income Sumup £168.43 Pommie Panter £950.00 YLCC £305.00 Planning fee
HB CE May £558.38 Wells £309.72 HLTB May 39.58 Wells 36.39 Sumup Wells £148.95

(b) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Balance @ 16 th June	CoOp current	£2703.62
	CoOp Deposit	£5260.40
	Unity current account	£79497.61
	Unity savings account	£10952.09

3719 Date of next meeting – 21st July 2026 Youlgrave VH Community Room 7:15pm

Exempt Items – none

The meeting closed at 7: 56 pm