

Fearby, Healey and District Parish Council

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Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 29 January 2026 at 7.30pm in Fearby Village Hall

Present: Chair: Cll K Marshall; Vice chair Cll J Thompson.

Cllrs:- J Gregg; S Searle; N Bromhead; C Iveson: J Marsden: J Hayman:

App:- G Verity: M Hope;

No member of the public attended

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared a true record and signed by the Chair

Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Healey Noticeboard This is now complete and Cll Marshall brought the completed glass for the councillors to see. This met with unanimous approval. Cll Marshall will provide a new wooden noticeboard for it and display it shortly.

Fearby Allotments This subject was brought up at the last council meeting to be discussed at this one. Swinton Estate who owns the allotment site wanted them to be moved. The first suggestion was at the edge of the village near Fearby Cross. This was deemed inappropriate as the site was over the dangerous road where with no footpaths. Another site is being considered. The councillors wondered why the current site could not be brought back into use. Cll Gregg knows of at least one person wanting an allotment and other councillors could name others who would be keen. Councillor Marshall will write a letter to Swinton estate as chairman of the council and put the case forward to retain the current site. There is cummuted sums available to help with upkeep and Cll Gregg was willing to level the plot to bring it back into use. The council will wait for a response from Swinton after the letter. Councillors will ask for others in their parish who would be willing to use them so a forward strategy could be worked out.

Planning

The garage at Barn One which was approved by the council seems to be quite large and very near the road. After studying the plans this seems to be in order however there is no mention of the height of the garage. As plans have been approved there is little the council can do at this time.

The query regarding excessive activity at the Cottage in Fearby has been responded to by planning enforcement. The work is permitted under the planning so no further action is required.

Finance

The bank statements and allocation spreadsheet was handed round the councillors and approved.

The clerk's expenses were approved of £24.30 for mileage and £194.40 for defibrillator pads for the Fearby defibrillator which the clerk paid for.

Highways –

None of the items mentioned in the last minutes have been actioned and were still outstanding. There were new potholes on Colsterdale and an overflowing gutter on the Masham road which has caused punctures. The clerk will chase this up with highways and send details of the new items when the councillors send the what 3 word's locations.

Other Business.

Councillor Felicity Cunliffe Lister, who was unable to attend, sent her report and the chairman read the report to the council. There were no queries regarding this. The report will be put on the website for the public to view.

The pads have been renewed on the Fearby defibrillator and the pub landlord who is looking after it is willing to continue to check it monthly but would like us to register it and report the checks, The clerk will contact him to put this in motion.

Cll Searle brought up the conversion of the phone box in Fearby as nothing had been done to convert it into a community library, Cllr Marshall will meet with her to discuss the needs and complete the work

AOB for next meeting

No other items were received

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

The next meeting will be held on 26th March 2026 at 7.30 in Fearby Village Hall