

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE,  
NEWBY AND SCALBY TOWN COUNCIL**

**17**

held in the large meeting room, Council offices, 445b Scalby Road,  
Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> July 2026 at 9.30am.

**PRESENT:**

Councillors J Smith (Chairman), H Bore, R Holliday, G Kendall, R Thompson.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Mrs J Marley (Clerk). 5 members of public (1 arrived 10.15am, 4 left at 10.40am)

**ABSENT:** None.

This meeting was scheduled to start at 9.30am or on the rising of the Planning Committee if that was later. In her capacity as Chairman of the Committee, Cllr. Smith called the committee meeting to order at 9.34am.

**FGP39/26      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

FGP39/26.1      None to receive.

**FGP40/26      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** Received from Cllr. Kendall agenda item 6 (allotments) and **noted** a dispensation to allow Cllr. Kendall to remain in the room and take part in all discussions except those relating to the setting of allotment rent had been granted from 29/7/26 to 31/5/27 inclusive; the dispensation did not allow Cllr. Kendall to vote on any allotment matters.

**FGP41/26      MINUTES** Having been previously circulated, **resolved** the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026 be approved and authorised for signature by the Chairman of the F&GP Committee.

**FGP42/26      CHURCHYARD** [Minute FGP28/26 refers] – **noted** Cllr. Bore's amended version of the agreement (*circulated with agenda*) had in the main been accepted by North Yorkshire Council and **resolved** agreement be authorised for signature by Cllr. Smith and the Clerk as Proper Officer.

**FGP43/26      CABLEWAY – LINDEN ROAD PLAYGROUND** [Minute FGP29/26 refers] – **noted** Section 106 funds were available (*details circulated with agenda*) which would assist with the cost of replacing the zipline and/or improving the timber play equipment at Linden Road. Clerk to make relevant enquiries with NYC and equipment suppliers and report back to committee in due course.

**FGP44/26      ALLOTMENTS**

FGP44/26.1      Correspondence re. management matters (*previously emailed to committee*) was **received & noted. Resolved** 1] no works incurring expenditure to be undertaken without the Clerk's prior approval, as Council would not pay for unauthorised works; 2] reimbursement be authorised in sum of £31-40 as per invoice for fittings to repair water leak; 3] cost of digging over half of plot 45 – donation in sum of £50 to Martin House Children's Hospice be authorised; 4] Cllr. Kendall's offer to strim plots as requested by Clerk be accepted with thanks (fuel and other relevant expenses to be reimbursed on production of invoice but labour to be Free Of Charge). Further agreed that better communication between FONSA and Clerk was needed (Cllr. Kendal to arrange a meeting).

FGP44/26.2      Access Track [Minute FGP30/26 refers]. **Received & noted** Clerk's report that contractor had advised scraping off would be insufficient as banking up was also required. **Resolved** to proceed with FONSA's original proposed work at an estimated cost of £600. Invoices to be in Council's name to enable reclaim of VAT and to be passed to Clerk for payment via Multipay.

FGP44/26.3      Plot rental & deposit charges from October 2026. **Received & noted** Clerk's report (*circulated with agenda*) and **resolved** both recommendations be carried.

*Procedural Note – At this point four members of public left the meeting.*

**FGP45/26      TREE CONDITION SURVEY** [Minute FGP31/26 refers] Four firms had been asked to give a price for the work but only two responded. **Resolved** the most comprehensive quote be accepted at a cost of £1,900 ex VAT. Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

**FGP46/26      HR CONTRACT** Anonymised quotes from three companies (*circulated with agenda*) were **received & noted. Resolved** the quote at silver level by company A be accepted in principle, Clerk and Cllrs. Kendall and Smith to negotiate length of contract and report to future meeting of committee.

**FGP47/26**     **SPEEDING/VAS SIGNS**     An email (*circulated with agenda*) from a parishioner requesting a VAS sign at the top of Red Scar Lane was **received & noted**. **Resolved** Clerk to ask Highways if there was a suitable lighting column in the vicinity which could be fitted with a VAS socket and to obtain an estimate of cost; Clerk to report to future meeting; in the interim Clerk to respond to parishioner.

**FGP48/26**     **SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS**  
FGP48/26.1     Schedule 4 in the sum of £2,792-60 plus confidential staff payments - **resolved** payments be authorised/ratified/noted as applicable, Cllrs. Bore and Smith to do online authorisations.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.58am.

**Cllr. Jackie Smith, Committee Chairman**  
**24<sup>th</sup> August 2026**