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9<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Dear Resident

You are invited to attend a meeting of Ackworth Parish Council which will be held at the Parish Council Community Centre, Bell Lane, Ackworth, on **MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JULY 2025, COMMENCING AT 7.15PM.** 

Yours faithfully

Jemma Nolan Clerk

There will be a 15-minute public session prior to the meeting and this will commence at 7.15pm (Members of the public are reminded to adhere to the rules set by the council for this session)

Reminder by the Chair of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting. The Parish Council meeting may be recorded under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014. Devices are to be placed on the table provided throughout the meeting.

#### **AGENDA**

# 36. Apologies

- 36.1: To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.
- **36.2:** To consider the approval of reasons given for absence.

# 37. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations

- **37.1:** To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's Code of conduct or a member's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.
- **37.2:** To receive, consider and decide upon any written applications for dispensation for disclosable pecuniary interest.
- **37.3:** To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

## **38.** To receive available reports from the following:

- 38.1: WMDC District Councillors.
- 38.2: APC Council Representatives on outside bodies.
- **39.** To consider for approval of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025, as a true and correct record.
- **40.** To receive applications for the Exclusive Rights of Burial.

#### 41. Financial Matters

- 41.1: To receive and consider for approval the accounts including bank statements to the end of June 2025.
- **41.2:** To receive and consider for approval payments to be made and Petty Cash account to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025.
- **41.3:** To receive correspondence regarding a charge increase from Worknest the Councils Health & Safety supplier.
- 41.4: To receive correspondence regarding the Council's CCLA property fund account.
- **41.5:** To receive a 24/25-year end summary report and take any necessary action required in earmarking further reserves.

### 42. Committee Meeting Minutes

- **42.1:** To receive the minutes of the Village Amenities Committee meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 and approve the recommendations with them.
- **42.2:** To receive the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025and approve the recommendations with them.
- **42.3:** To receive the minutes of the Environment, Road Safety & Planning Committee meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025 and approve the recommendations with them.
- **43.** To consider a response to the planning authority on the following planning applications.
  - **43.1:** 25/01238/TCA Treetop Lodge, Pontefract Road, Ackworth, Pontefract, WF7 7EE T1 Pear Fell No Deadline Date.
  - **43.2:** 25/01269/TPO 12 Flounders Hill, Ackworth, Pontefract, WF7 7HT T1 Sycamore Crown lift to achieve a height of 3m above ground level. All pruning cuts shall be no greater than 35mm stem diameter. Crown reduce southerly extending crown to provide a maximum of 2m clearance to the outer wall and roof of 14 Flounders Hill. All pruning cuts shall be no greater than 35mm stem diameter. T2. Black Pine Fell. T3. Black Pine Crown reduce height by up to 1m and lateral spread (east-west) by up to 1.5m. No Deadline Date.
- **44.** To note the current Ackworth Parish Council's Standing Orders to remain as standing, due to an ongoing review of the newly released NALC 2025 Standing Orders, this item will be available to Council for further review in line with the next scheduled meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025.
- 45. To receive a grant application of £500 to support the running of the Ackworth PramFest 2025 Event.
- **46.** To receive an update on expressions of interest received regarding the 'Neighbourhood Plan' and decide a course of action.
- **47.** To receive an update relating to the Wakefield Road crossing and progression explored with the Ombudsmen as signposted by Wakefield District Council and decide a course of action.
- **48.** To receive an update on the letter sent to Wakefield District Council regarding the request to receive the most recent update on a proposed crossing for Doncaster Road and decide a course of action.
- **49.** To consider the appointment of an Outside Body 'Ackworth Sports Clubs' and to elect two councillors to attend meetings regarding sports facilities in Ackworth as recommended by the Village Amenities Committee.
- **50.** Motions requested by Councillor(s)
  - **50.1:** To receive a proposal from Cllr Roberts to be given delegated authority by Council to progress the lease agreement of Low Ackworth playing fields, car park and play area which is currently under review between Wakefield District Council and Ackworth Parish as and where required in his capacity as both Chair to Ackworth Parish Council and Ward 1 District Councillor.
  - **50.2:** To receive a proposal from Councillor A Sherratt that the Parish Council request Wakefield Council to install additional, and more prominent, signage on Dando way to indicate that motorbikes and other motorised vehicles are not allowed to be used in any area of Dando Way
- 51. TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THAT THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED FROM THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING ON THE GROUNDS THAT PUBLICITY WOULD BE PREJUDICIAL TO THE CONFIDENTAIL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED ON THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETING ACT 1960)

- **52.** To receive a report from Councillors in attendance to a meeting held with residents regarding the exercise equipment on Dando Way and to decide a course of action.
- **53.** To receive solicitor correspondence regarding ongoing lease matters for Low Ackworth Playing Fields.
- **54.** To review a proposed recommendation from Village Amenities to approve the lease of a small section of land to the neighbouring business.
- **55.** To receive quotations to replace the See-Saw and make repairs to wet pour within Low Ackworth play area and to decide a course of action.
- **56.** To note a complaint raised to our insurance company relating to the ongoing claim raised against vehicle YA23 BVN.

Next Council Meeting: 8th September 2025