

RYHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13th January 2026

Present:

Councillors	C Bashforth (Chair), A Atherton, G Booth, L Booth, B Burnage, T Staves, K Fretwell and A Morley
Clerk	C Greaves
District Councillors	M Cummings and U Ali

MINUTES

2526 110 Apologies for absence

Cllrs R Caley and DCllr F Heptinstall sent their apologies.

2526 111 Declarations of interest

- (1) Cllrs G Booth, L Booth and B Burnage in respect of the Caretaker.
- (2) Cllrs A Morley, K Fretwell and L Booth for Rycroft Leisure.

2526 112 To approve the minutes of the council meeting held on the 9th December 2025

Approved.

2526 113 To receive updates on ongoing issues

(1) Missing Planters from Nostell Lane

Noted – The claim is being considered by Wakefield Housing's insurer.

(2) Planning application 25/01591/FUL

Approved – The application is being re-submitted with additional information and the council have agreed to roll-over its current objection onto the new application unless there are significant additional issues that need to be added to the objection.

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(3) Banking changes with Barclays and Unity Trust

Noted – Barclays are to introduce account charges. The monthly fee with Unity Trust has increased to £7.

(4) Works to power lines

Noted – The NPG contractor (Avoxe) accessed the Stray to undertake tree works.

2526 114 To receive items of correspondence

(1) Closure of Post Office service

Noted – the council queries the rationale for this but Post Office stated that their decision had been made.

(2) Precept forms from Wakefield Council

Noted – the tax base has increased slightly over the year.

(3) Open Country – Wakefield conservation projects

Noted – Details have been shared with councillors.

(4) Defib servicing

Noted – Cllr G Booth will check the Defib is operating correctly following the icy weather.

(5) BHSC Newsletter – Eyup !

Noted – Details have been shared with councillors.

2526 115 District Councillor's comments on local issues (for information only)

DCllr U Ali reported that Ryhill Dentist was closed temporarily whilst they try to recruit. 

D Cllr M Cummings reported that the Cemetery gates were still outstanding, that the Church Lane traffic lights were planned for February 2026 and that the planning application for 90B Mill Lane had been withdrawn.

2526 116 WY Police – Safe Scheme

Noted – the report has been posted onto the website.

2526 117 Christmas provision

Resolved – the council will look into what alternative arrangements are undertaken elsewhere and what is practical for Ryhill and at what cost. The council is to consider rooted trees on Station Road and on Nostell Lane. Members were asked to highlight any local displays that impressed – Swillington was put forward as a good display. Wakefield council will share its offer and charges at the next T&P meeting in February.

2526 118 Closure of Barclays account

Resolved – the council will close the account to avoid additional banking charges.

2526 119 Allotment tenancy agreement and renewals

Approved – the rent charge will remain at £30. The water charge fee needs to be determined. All tenants need to complete the new 2026 rental agreement in full.

2526 120 Policy Review

Noted – the Precept forms took priority and this item is being put to the February meeting.

2526 121 Confirm Budget and Precept for 2026

(1) Budget review and impact on reserves

Approved – the planned budget was set at £57,928 which will result in a £22 surplus.

(2) Precept decision

Resolved – the council had determined not increase the Band D precept rate. With additional properties the current precept rate will raise £53,450. The Clerk will submit the precept claim on this basis.

2526 122 Account Payments (see monthly list)

Approved.

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2526 123 Items for the next agenda

Approved – Website and email review, Christmas provision, Rycroft Leisure, Policy Review, and Allotments would be addressed.

2526 124 Date, Time and Venue for the next meeting of the council (10/02/26)

Approved – Next meeting to be held at St Paul's Methodist Church, Chapel Street, Ryhill on the 10th February 2026 at 6pm

C R Greaves

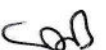
**Charles Greaves
Clerk to the Council
Ryhill Parish Council**



Signed as a true record

10.2.26.

Date



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Account payments for 13th January 2026

Payee	Description	Date	Amount £	VAT	A/C	Approver	Submitter	
Unity Trust Bank	Account Service Charge	31/12/25	6.00		UT			Auto
Gloria Booth	Reimbursement Christmas Lights	06/01/26	36.93		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	Clerk Mandate
WY Police	Safe Scheme top-up	16/01/26	1000.00		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	
Yorkshire Water	Cemetery Road allotments	16/01/26	0.93		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	
Charles Greaves	Clerk Salary & Expenses	16/01/26	536.88		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	
WYPF	Pension	16/01/26	152.84		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	
HMRC PAYE	Income Tax	16/01/26	126.60		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	
HMRC NIC	Employers NICs	16/01/26	38.00		UT	C Bashforth	C Greaves	

Transfers	Description	Date	Amount £	Paid to
UT Instant Access a/c	Transfer to open a Deposit a/c	16/01/26	30,000.00	Unity Trust 95 day Deposit account

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, Section 150(4)

PARISH OF.....RYHILL.....

PRECEPT UPON RATING AUTHORITY

To THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAKEFIELD

being the council of the district in which the above-named Parish is situated

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to pay to CHARLES GREAVES

of RYHILL PARISH COUNCIL

the officer responsible for the administration of financial affairs

at RYHILL PARISH COUNCIL

on the15TH..... day ofAPRIL 2026..... the sum of

FIFTY THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS

(£53,450)

[and on then/a..... day ofn/a..... the
sum ofn/a.....]

from the General Rate of the Parish to meet expenses payable by the Parish Council.

AUTHORISED at a Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 13TH

day of JANUARY 2026



(Signed)



(Designation)

CLERK / RFO

(The officer appointed for this purpose)



THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAKEFIELD**PARISH BUDGET STATEMENT - RYHILL****ESTIMATES 2026/27**

	£ p
<u>Expenditure</u>	
1) Cemeteries & Crematoriums	n/a
2) Sport & Recreation	n/a
3) Parks & Open Spaces	8,000
4) Allotments	500
5) Community Centres & Village Halls	15,228
6) Libraries	n/a
7) Markets	n/a
8) Administration	6,200
9) Salaries & Wages	10,500
10) Contribution to Reserves	22
11) Safe Scheme	9,000
12) Christmas / Planters / Grants	8,500
Total Expenditure	57,950
<u>Income</u>	
1) Fees and Charges	1,500
2) Contribution from Reserves	n/a
3) Interest & VAT recovery	3,000
Total Income	4,500
TOTAL PRECEPT (Expenditure - Income)	53,450

Date: 13th January 2026Signed: C R Cross

Clerk to the Council

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BUDGET	2026/7	JAN 2026
Receipts	57,950	
Precept	53,450	No change to Band D amount
Income	1,500	Allotments & Wayleave
Interest	1,500	Projected from bank accounts
VAT reclaim	1,500	VAT recovered on expenditure
 Expenditure	 57,928	
Rycroft Leisure	15,228	Running grant
Safe Scheme	9,000	WY Police
Staffing costs	10,500	Salary, Pension & Expenses
Communications	2,000	Post, Print & Website
Training Costs	500	Clerk & Members
Rent / Hire	1,200	Land leases and Meeting Rooms
Fees & Insurance	2,500	Audit, Insurance, Licences, Fees
Planters	1,500	Plants & Tubs
Christmas provision	4,000	Lights and Trees
Maintenance	8,500	Caretaker, Works & Equipment
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 Surplus to reserves	 22	

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