



Skelsmergh and Scalthwaiterigg Parish Council
Ordinary Meeting Minutes
01.05.2025 At Skelsmergh Community Hall

Present John Chapman, Chair, (JC)
Councillors Tim Maggs, (TM), Angela Brand-Barker, (ABB), Mick Crozier, (MC), Chris Loynes, (CL)
Clerk Ron Anderson

Minute no:

- 10/25 **Welcome and apologies.** Cllr Chapman opened the meeting at 7.45pm. No apologies
- 11/25 **Declarations of Interest** Councillors were reminded of the need to update their Declarations of Interest
- 12/25 Beki Winter was unable to attend but will come to a future meeting to give her presentation on affordable housing
- 13/25 **Minutes of last Meeting.** The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by Chair. Proposed ABB, seconded MC
- 14/25 **Matters arising from the minutes.** Some councillors are still having difficulty logging onto their new email address. Clerk will organise individual meetings to help
- 15/25 **Formal announcements by Chair.** None
- 16/25 **Finance Report.** The clerk presented the external audit report and completed Annual Governance and Accountability Report including Annual Governance Statement and Year End Report. These were approved and accepted. Proposed CL, seconded ABB.
Payments to be made were approved, proposed CL, seconded ABB
The dates for Exercise of Public rights were set as 1st-31st July 2025
The Clerk and Chair signed the Certificate of Exemption and Annual Governance Statement.
The Clerk was authorised to approve sale of woodland products from council woodlands up to a value of £100 in consultation with Woodland representative
- 17/25 **Grant Applications.** None
- 18/25 **Standing Items**
Community; Cllr Loynes has prepared a slideshow of the outcomes of the recent survey which will be published on the council website after some amendments. The council will decide on a full launch of the outcomes at the next meeting. Discussion of low turnout which council will seek to address.
The Ash trees at Garth Row quarry need attention and the regular woodland management professional will attend to them. This will be approximately £450
- 19/25 **External Meetings** Cllr Loynes will lead members of the Royal Geographical Society in a walk exploring the cultural, physical and geographical features of the area.
- 20/25 **Planning Applications.** A planning application concerning property at Mealbank was circulated to members who had no objections
- 21/25 **Date and Time of next Meeting** The next meeting of the council will take place on Thursday 24th July 2025, venue Skelsmergh Community Hall, 7pm
- 22/25 The chair thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions and closed the meeting at 8.40pm

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Signed Chair..... Date.....