

## **Minutes – Annual Parish Meeting / Community Open Evening**

### **North Dalton Parish Council**

**Held on Thursday 23rd April 2026 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall**

#### **Present**

Councillors: Cllr Rupert Harrison (Chair),

Clerk: Sammy Rounding

Residents: 15 residents attended throughout the evening.

#### **1. Welcome**

The Chair welcomed residents to the Annual Parish Meeting, which was held as an informal open evening to encourage discussion and engagement with the community.

The format included displays, topic tables, opportunities for residents to speak directly with councillors, and refreshments available throughout the evening.

#### **2. Chairman's Annual Report**

The Chair's Annual Report for 2025/26 was made available to residents and summarised the work of the Parish Council over the past year. Topics included:

- Support and maintenance of local amenities
- Consideration of planning applications
- Liaison with East Riding of Yorkshire Council and other agencies
- Responding to resident enquiries and concerns
- Installation of Village Gateways funded through Do It For East Yorkshire
- Current priorities including traffic and road safety, countryside and appearance issues, and refuse/recycling initiatives
- Current vacancies on the Parish Council and opportunities for residents to become involved.

#### **3. Resident Feedback and Discussion**

Residents were invited to complete questionnaires and discuss issues affecting the parish.

A total of 9 questionnaires were completed, with all respondents confirming that the three key issues identified in the Parish Plan remain important to them.

Issues and comments raised by residents included:

- Concerns regarding litter, particularly towards Huggate

- Overgrown vegetation and maintenance around the pond area
- Condition and repainting of railings near the pond
- Requests for 20mph speed limits throughout the village
- Concerns regarding increasing traffic volume and the size of vehicles using village roads
- Requests for additional dog waste bins near East End
- Ongoing concerns regarding anti-social behaviour
- Requests for speed cameras and continued traffic monitoring
- Comments regarding the condition of the new village gateway post tops
- Suggestions for recycling facilities, including a battery recycling point at the Village Hall.

#### **4. Communication and Community Engagement**

Feedback regarding communication included:

- 8 residents expressed interest in receiving a quarterly parish newsletter
- Comments were received regarding the notice board near Connor's Farm being difficult to read
- 2 residents expressed interest in becoming involved with the Parish Council or assisting with design/computer skills, with a further 2 residents indicating possible interest
- 1 resident expressed interest in assisting with the Community Speed Watch Team.

#### **5. Closing Remarks**

The Chair thanked all residents for attending and for providing feedback and suggestions to help shape future Parish Council priorities.

The meeting/open evening closed at 9pm