

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: David Griffin (DG) Chair
Charles Brader (CB)
Gordon McIlroy (GMC)
Eileen Birrell (EB)
Carol Dixon (CD)
Charlotte Russell (CR)
Gerald Bainbridge (GB)
Pauline Foster (PF)
Keith Bristow (KB)
Karen Bisby (KB2)
Robinson Dixon (RD)

1. Minutes from the Meeting 15th May 2025.
 - a. The minutes from the meeting were accepted as a true record.
2. Matters arising
 - a. Village signs: The PC expressed their thanks to CB and his team for their work installing the three "Thixendale Signs" on the main entrances to the village.
 - b. Road conditions: Martinholme remains an ongoing problem during heavy rain. Additional drain clearing has been carried out by NYCC but some "run offs" are frequently by-passed by flood water. Those which do function divert water into buildings on Manor Farm. A more sustainable resolution to the flooding is required. It was agreed that a survey to identify required remedial work is needed. Action GB/DG
Concern was expressed that following the repairs to the road at Aldro a significant drop-off at the edge of the new tarmac surface could prove dangerous to drivers and cyclists. Action GB.
 - d. Thixendale Parish Council Website: The website is now accessible online through www.thixendale.org.uk. The committee expressed their thanks to David Lake for including the information on the website.
3. AONB
No new information from "Natural Landscapes".
4. Parish Plan
The existing plan was created in 2009 and in the meantime there have been demographic changes. An updated parish plan is needed. CD has contacted NYCC but was given to understand it was unlikely that they will be able to provide assistance or resources. There was broad agreement with the ideas submitted by CD in a separate document. A number of residents have agreed to join a steering group to lead the project. An early stage would be to determine the future needs of the village through involvement of residents. DG agreed to contact potential steering group (SG) members to arrange a first meeting.
5. Running Group.
No further contact has been forthcoming from the organisers for a run in 2025.
6. Parish Precept.
This is a charge on all residents to finance local needs, payable through the community charge. Discussion of the precept centred around future needs to finance local elections in 2027, possible costs to subsidise road works/maintenance and inflation. It was agreed to increase the annual amount to £1680, an increase of 5%.
4. Financial update
 - a. As of 1st October 2025 there was £5265 in the parish account.
5. AOB
 - a. Defibrillator: GMC explained regular checks and replacement of batteries is routine.
6. Next Meetings : 8th January 202, 14th May + AGM 2026

Attch: Financial Update

