

Boston Spa Neighbourhood Planning Advisory Committee (NPAC) Meeting

Monday 23rd March 2026 at 7.00pm
held in

The Wharfe Room, Boston Spa Village Hall, 199 High Street, Boston Spa, LS23 6AA

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Cllr G Bowen, Cllr P Stables, Cllr A Watts, Keith Jackson.

Apologies: Andy Colledge, Cllr K Blake, David Faraday, Amanda Brown

In attendance: Deborah Marshall (Clerk to the Parish Council)

Guests: None.

1.	Apologies for absence
	Apologies had been received from Cllrs K Blake, A Brown, Andy Colledge and David Faraday.
	Resolved: That the apologies and reasons for absence be accepted.
2.	Public Open Forum
	There were no members of the public in attendance.
3.	To confirm the minutes from the meeting on 23rd February 2026 and note any actions delivered/outstanding
	Resolved: That the minutes from the meeting held on 23 rd February 2026 be approved as a true and accurate record.
4.	To review the editable documents for preparing the revised plan
	Keith Jackson provided the editable Word and PDF documents to the Clerk. It was agreed the sections would be updated by each party per topic, submitted to the Clerk and then sent to the next party for their amends to the relevant chapter.
5.	To consider the revisions to the Green Spaces and Biodiversity section (Cllr Watts)
	Cllr Stables provided a guidance document talked through the changes to Green Spaces and Diversity chapter. Key points were:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The targets for green spaces need to be obtained from the revised NPPF. • To investigate whether the policy on protecting hedges can be strengthened • A project should be undertaken to identify significant trees in the village that should have a TPO placed on them.
6.	To review any correspondence received
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alex Richetti from Boston Spa Library had not been able to attend the February meeting. Cllr Stables said she would make contact and invite her to a future meeting. • Cllr Stables met with the Boston Spa Postmaster to discuss ways in which the Post Office could be retained.
7.	To consider any urgent items or items for the next meeting
	None.
	The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20:35