

BOSTON SPA PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 19 August 2025 in the Jubilee Room at the Village Hall, Boston Spa at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr K Blake (Chairman), G Bowen, D Taylor, P Stables.
M Heum arrived at 19:45.

Apologies: Cllrs K Alderson, S Courts, A Watts, E Alderson.

In Attendance: D Marshall (Clerk to the Council)

Guests: None.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

094/25	To accept apologies for absence and approve reasons for absence
	Apologies had been received from Cllrs K Alderson, S Courts, A Watts and E Alderson.
	Resolved: That the apologies and the reasons for absence be accepted.
095/25	To note declarations of interests not already declared under members Code of Conduct or members register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) in the business to be transacted at this meeting
	None.
096/25	To note the Chairman's Local Plan discussion with nearby parishes
	A meeting with representatives from the Parish Councils within the Wetherby Ward was held on 7 th August. The proposed sites across all parishes were discussed. The primary concerns were the impact on traffic and lack of supporting infrastructure. It was noted that two sites in Newton Kyme have been submitted for consideration under the North Yorkshire Local Plan. The new Swinnow Park development in Wetherby is already going to have a huge impact on traffic and put increased pressure on infrastructure in the area.
097/25	To consider a response to the Leeds Local Plan consultation
	<p>A draft response listing the concerns for all parishes was produced and circulated by the Clerk following the meeting. The sites for Boston Spa were considered in detail with the following conclusions reached by the Parish Council:</p> <p><u>LPS 00953. St Vincents – Draft housing capacity 19</u></p> <p>Broadly acceptable - close to village centre, ideal if housing mix includes retirement living additional traffic could be minimal. In general Infrastructure could support this addition.</p> <p><u>LPS 00505. Rear Heath Drive / Winnow Lane – Draft housing capacity 66</u></p> <p>Acceptable with reservations – Edge of village site so car use will impact traffic and congestion with housing numbers impacting on other services. Close to bus route and senior school so housing mix could mitigate some impacts. This needs to be considered in parallel with LPS 00428 Deepdale Lane if that site is reduced to a single area so reducing the housing number. Either could be acceptable but not both.</p> <p><u>LPS 00428. Deepdale Lane – Draft housing Capacity 194</u></p> <p>Not acceptable – Edge of village site so reliant on cars with housing numbers impacting traffic and congestion, severe impact on other services. Currently 2 separate areas included in site so reducing site to single area could make the impact more acceptable. If this site is reduced to a single area so reducing the overall housing number, it could be considered in parallel with LPS 0505 Rear Heath Drive / Winnow Lane. Either could be acceptable but not both.</p>

	<p><u>LPS 00171 Low Mills Farm. Draft housing capacity 305</u></p> <p>Completely unacceptable - well out of village leading with housing numbers leading to significant increase in traffic and congestion, major impact on Schools, Doctors and other services. Current infrastructure could not support these additional requirements that any development of this size would bring.</p>
	Resolved: That the above responses be agreed and submitted to LCC Planning.
Closure	With no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 19:49

Signed_____ Date_____