

To be confirmed at the next meeting

NORTH TURTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 June 2025
In The Library, The Barlow, Bolton Road, Edgworth

Present: Councillor D Wild (in the Chair)
Councillors K Harrison, D Crompton, A Highton, J Rowley and D Hey

Also present: J Smith (Clerk) and 2 members of the public

Apologies: Councillor J Rigby

Prior to the meeting members of the public were given an opportunity to speak.

Mike Phillips attended the meeting to inform the Parish Council that BVRA have met with a funding co-ordinator through BwDBC and are applying for lottery funding for the Community Garden. Their bid should be sent through within the next 6 weeks and they are applying for around £20k. The Parish Councillors wished them well with their bid.

Mr Grimwood attended the meeting to advise the Parish Council that the planters at the top of Hob Lane have been filled up and a cheque to re-imburse him was signed and given to him. He thanked the Parish Council for their contribution.

8363 Matters Arising from previous minutes

Ryecroft Lane – Clerk sent another e-mail to Martin Kelly on 19 May and copied in Cllr Rigby. Will speak to Cllr Rigby and ask her to chase him for a reply.

Chapelton Community Garden – Cllr Wild brought the completed signage for the Garden – Clerk to contact the Lengthsman and ask him to collect it and attach to the wall. Cllr Rowley agreed to help if the Lengthsman has any queries where to place it.

Refuse bins in Belmont - Cllr Crompton spoke to the resident but he is not interested in the bins being on his land. There is also an issue with rubbish/fly tipping on the layby on the way to Tockholes. Agreed to write to BwDBC to ask for a solution to the problems.

Toilet Block rendering – one quote has been received but Cllr Wild is arranging for another quote to be done but the contractor wouldn't be able to complete the job before the end of June – agreed the rendering is reliant on the weather and could wait until later in the year as long as it was completed before the cold weather.

Insurance – Cllr Crompton will complete the up-to-date valuation of the toilet block in Belmont.

Dog poo bins – Lengthsman has installed the bin at the end of the dam in Belmont. Clerk has ordered a new dog poo bin for the top of Harbour Lane – given to Lengthsman to be put up.

Waterwheel – 2 companies came to have a look at cleaning the waterwheel before it is painted – one of the companies completed the job at no charge to the Parish Council.

8364 Minutes of the last meeting

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2025 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

8365 Minutes of the Annual meeting

Resolved: The minutes of the Annual meeting held on 12 May 2025 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

8366 Declarations of Interest

Noted: None

8367 Planning Applications

Resolved: That the Parish Council submit comments (as below) on planning applications 10/25/0493, 10/25/0517 and 10/25/0552

8368 Planning Decisions

Noted: Blackburn with Darwen Council's decisions on planning applications.

8369 Accounts to Pay

Resolved: That cheques be signed to pay the following accounts:

Lengthsman May		£1,466.66
Caretaker Salary May		£451.80
Clerk salary May	Including expenses	£1075.40
Roadware	Dog bin for Edgworth	£170.28
Mr N R Grimwood	Recharge for plants	£158.58
Linda Dawid	Chair's Allowance – plants	£200.00
SLCC	Qualification fee – PIALC	£144.00
BT Payphones	Purchase of 2 kiosks	£2.00
Blackburn with Darwen BC	Room Hire Turton Tower	£40.00
Viking	Stationery/stamps	£98.12

Resolved: The following direct debits have been paid:

Gocardless	Easy Websites monthly fee	£55.44
Nest	Pension	£101.01
Virgin Money	Bank charges	£9.20

8370 Standing Orders/Financial Standing Orders

Reviewed: The Standing Orders/Financial Standing Orders were discussed and Clerk to make some amendments and bring back to the next meeting for approval.

8371 Risk Assessment

Reviewed: The Risk Assessment was discussed and Clerk to make some amendments and bring back to the next meeting for approval.

8372 Agreement for Sale & Purchase of Telephone Kiosks

Agreed: Chair signed the Agreement. Clerk to look into what the next steps are while the Parish Council decide what could be done with them. May need to speak to Planning Dept at BwDBC as the kiosk in Entwistle is Grade II listed.

8373 Correspondence

Noted: Correspondence received since the last meeting was read and noted including

- Statements from Virgin Money
- Photos from Mr Grimwood showing the completed planters at the top of Hob Lane
- Invitation to Parish Council Workshop from West Pennine Moors Landscape Recovery Scheme to be held on Tuesday 24 June at the Black Dog Inn, Belmont. Cllrs Wild, Hey and Rowley's names have been put forward.

8374 Any Other Business

Turton Trail – Clerk had been e-mailed again by Roger Binks regarding the re-publication of the Turton Trail leaflet. Clerk directed the e-mail to Cllr Hey who has contacted PNFS to see if anyone is aware of how a leaflet could be published, and by whom. Could also create the route in the Ordnance Survey app and set up a link on the Parish Council website. Roger Binks agreed to walk the route again and provide an up-to-date description for the app.

Planters across Edgworth – Cllrs Crompton & Highton are looking into a scheme to sponsor planters across Edgworth – they will look into the cost of this and come back to the Parish Council.

Comments on planning applications received by 28 May 2025

10/25/0493 Full Planning Application (Retrospective) Proposal: Erection of agricultural storage building and workshop (retrospective) at Ramwells Barn, Edge Lane, Turton

The Parish Council has no objections to this proposed development but are very disappointed that it is a retrospective application.

10/25/0517 Full Planning Application Proposal: Proposed first floor side extension and conversion of existing garage to habitable room at 9 Lower Meadow, Edgworth

The Parish Council has no objection to this proposed development.

10/25/0552 Non-Material Amendment Proposal: Non-material amendment pursuant to planning application 10/24/0135 "Erection of raised decked area from first floor of property and insertion of roof lights within front and rear roof slopes" - change material to raised deck balustrade at 36 South View, Belmont

The Parish Council has no objection to this proposed development.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 7 July 2025 starting at 6.45pm at St Peter’s Church, Belmont. The public and press are invited to attend and to listen.

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Signed - Chair

The meeting closed at 8.25pm