

BEEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, 7:00pm, 2 February 2026, Beeford Community Centre.

Present: Councillors: Chair I Sawyer, Vice-chair D Piercy, Mrs H Adamson, S Roberts, J Sowersby, A Thompson, A Turner, R Turner and C Youngs. Ward Councillor J Owen, four members of the public and Clerk M Rose.

Absent: Councillor T Adams

Public Forum. No matters were raised.

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillor Adams apologised for being unable to attend the meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 1 December 2025 were approved.

3. Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

4. Ward Councillors Update

East Riding of Yorkshire Council is currently developing its budget for the forthcoming financial year. To maintain service levels and meet the pressures of increasing responsibilities and rising costs, an increase of 4.99% in council tax is anticipated.

5. Matters Arising and Correspondence

a. **Items arising from the Public Forum.** No matters were raised.

b. Playground.

- The Playground Working Group reported that the graffiti which was on several items of equipment has been removed.
- A quote to replace the frame of the cradle swing was received and comparison quotes are being sought.
- The Commuted Sums presentation sign will be fixed to a bench in the playground.
- A quotation was received for £125 to remove excessive thread from the bolts on the gate and £590 to dig out and reposition the gates to provide a minimum clearance of 12mm between the gate and the frame. Consideration of the quote was deferred to the next meeting to allow Councillors additional time to review the situation.
- Commuted Sums informed the Parish Council that a grant of £6,232.10 is available for the maintenance of the spinning multi-play unit and the whale. The grant may be used for repairs to any item within the playground; however, no further maintenance grants for these two pieces of equipment will be available until after 2033.

c. **Emergency Plan.** East Riding of Yorkshire Council provided a copy of the emergency plan which can be updated as and when needed.

d. **Road Safety Measures Grant Scheme.** The grant will cover up to 50% of the cost of purchase and installing a Speed Indicator Devices. The Parish Council is waiting to ascertain the outcome of the 20mph zone which is due to be implemented in the village.

e. **Meeting Room.** Councillors approved the hiring of the Community Centre's main hall for future meetings, as the smaller room is now considered inadequate given the number of residents regularly attending.

f. **Draft Health and Safety Policy.** The policy was approved.

g. **Draft Complaints Policy.** The policy was approved.

h. **Draft Staff Recruitment Policy.** The policy was approved.

6. Planning

- a. Permission Granted: 25/03216/TPO St Leonards Church, Rectory Lane.
- b. Appeal Dismissed: 25/00093/REFUSE 3 Skipsea Road.
- c. Planning Application: 25/03488/PLF The Barn, Bridlington Road, Beeford. Change of use of existing mixed-use site comprising a dwelling and holiday cottage to form a dwelling (Use Class C3). To adhere to the deadline comments were submitted regarding this application between meetings. The Parish Council had no objections to this application as long as flooding and vehicle access and egress issues are considered.
- d. Permission Granted 25/03122/PLF 87 Main Street.
- e. Notification of Appeal: 26/00002/REFUSE 4 Manor Drive. Construction of 1.8m high vehicular and pedestrian access gates and fencing to front (retrospective). No further comments may be submitted; however, copies of comments made at application stage will be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate for consideration.

7. Reports and Updates from External Bodies and Meetings

Community Centre. The committee is seeking quotes for solar panels to be fitted to the building.

8. Finance

- a. **Monthly Report and Budget Review.** The report was approved and bank reconciliation signed.
- b. **Insurance.** The policy has been renewed, with cover extended to include the new spinning multi-play unit and the whale. The Parish Council also approved the addition of playground surfaces to the policy. There will be no increase in cost until the next annual renewal, when an additional charge of £30 will apply.
- c. **Payments.** The following payments were approved:

Beeford Buzz, advertising	£56.00
ERNLLCA, training	£24.00
Councillor travel expenses	£15.30
Community Centre grant	£100.00
Bus shelter cleaning	£190.00
Playground gardening services	£90.00
Insurance	£755.96
Playground picnic table anchors	£127.80
Playground inspection	£420.00
Staff wages and expenses	£1465.61
HMRC	£138.44
- d. **Laptop.** Approval was given for the purchase of a new laptop, mouse and case with Office 365 and care plan purchase/subscriptions, as the existing device is no longer functioning and is considered too outdated to repair. The Clerk will identify an appropriate specification that provides value for money while ensuring the equipment is fit for purpose and has suitable longevity.

9. Councillor's Updates

Councillor R. Tuner tendered their resignation from the Parish Council. Members expressed sincere thanks for their dedication, time, and commitment over the years, and extended best wishes for the future.

Councillors reported a damaged salt bin at the junction of Parklands and the Main Street; East Riding of Yorkshire Council will be contacted for advice.

The meeting closed at 8:30 pm the next meeting will be Monday 2 March 2026.

Approved: _____ Date: _____