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Minutes of the meeting of Melbourne Parish Council held in the village hall café at 6:30pm on Monday 9 March 2026.

Present: Councillors Cooper (in the chair), Lee, Tomalin, Rollason, Breeze and Kemp.

No Ward Councillors were in attendance.

25/68 Apologies – Cllr Downes, Johnson and Thomas

25/69 Members of the public present – 1 from minute 25/76 (7:30pm).

25/70 Declarations of interest – None.

25/71 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 January 2026 – Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

25/72 Matters arising from the minutes:

25/14 Planter repairs – completed with payment for approval below. **Noted**

25/50 SOAY – the Chairman gave an update following a meeting with SOAY. **Noted**

25/64 Public Rights of Way – FP1 - this has seven Gates – two gates require repairs and one requires replacing.

Agreed:

- a) Cllr Breeze to speak to the owners of Melbourne Hall about their views on the work required; and
- b) Following feedback from Cllr Breeze, the Clerk to seek advice from East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) if there are any outstanding queries.

25/73 Parish Council's current financial position - £23,922.34 – Noted.

25/74 Requests for payments (Clerk): Agreed:

- a. **Village Hall Rental - TBD**
- b. Work to the village planters - £480
- c. Planters for both village planters - £70.63
- d. Newsletter - £280
- e. HMRC for Clerk - £692.11

25/75 Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Sub-Committee held on 12 February 2026 - Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

25/76 Approval of Grants – Approved:

- a. Melbourne Sports & Playing Field Association = £1,500
- b. Bowls Club = £800
- c. Scouts = £600
- d. Thornton Church = £600

25/77 Parish Plots Nature Recovery Update – NC had met with Greener Pockington. Work had commenced on the next grant applications to SOAY for improvements to the three parish plots. This included

General Lane Plot

- Cut down 2 sycamores (non-native trees) and leave as log piles
- Rhododendron removal
- Coppicing

Kidd Lane Plot

- 2 benches
- Nettle clearing
- Wildlife hedge along the front of the plot

Main Street Wood Plot

- Nettles and rhododendron clearing
- Coppicing

25/78 26/00170/PLF – Rossmoor House, Main Street, Melbourne – neutral comments.

25/79 Planning Notices – 26/00041/TPO Deanery Farm and Park Close – Granted.

25/80 Correspondence since the last meeting – Already circulated. Noted

25/81 Councillor Forum:

- ERYC – repair work to footpaths and repairing potholes has been carried out.
- A resident attended to speak about the state of Main Street and the Sumo junction. **Agreed that the Chairman and Clerk would ask Cllr Hammond for an update.**
- Village newsletter - the areas of responsibility were updated. **Agreed the clerk would circulate the revised details to the editor of the newsletter.**

The meeting closed at 8:30pm

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be 6:30pm on **Monday 11 May 2026**

All agenda items for the next meeting must be with the Clerk by Friday 1 May 2026.