BRAITHWELL WITH MICKLEBRING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THE 27th JANUARY 2026
THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE MASTERS HOUSE, BRAITHWELL

Present – Cllr Pawson, Cllr Addenbrooke, Cllr Parkes, Cllr Spencer & Cllr Sharman
Attending - Ms. D Hoyes (Clerk)
Public – 2 members of the public & 1 Trustee from the Masters House

Public Session

Two members of the public came to discuss matters relating to Micklebring, namely a traffic calming scheme on Greaves Syke Lane and the potential impact the Whitestone 1 proposal will have on this road also, due to the proposed placement of a substation in the parish of Clifton.
Both matters were discussed at length and it was agreed that Green Nation should be contacted to arrange a F2F meeting where the PC and residents can ask direct questions on this matter. It was also agreed that CDC should be contacted to arrange a site visit to look at traffic calming measures. Clerk to action both.
A further matter was also discussed which was a difficulty a resident was having getting out of a private access road onto Ruddle Lane. The resident asked if a concealed entrance sign could be put on the lighting/electricity column adjacent. Council agreed to contact CDC Highways to discuss. Clerk to action.
A trustee from the MH confirmed that a further meeting with the surveyor was scheduled for the 10th February to discuss the first floor supports.

Business Session

01/26 Chairman's Opening Statement & declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest*
Cllr Pawson opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. No declaration of pecuniary interests were raised.

02/26 Apologies and approve reasons for absence.
Apologies were received from Ward Cllr Greenhalgh & Ward Cllr Dudley.

03/26 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 25th November 2025 as true and correct record.
The minutes of the meeting were approved with a show of hands as a true and correct record. Cllr Pawson signed the minutes after the meeting.

04/26 Matters arising that are not on the Agenda (for information purposes only)
Cllr Sharman asked if an invitation could be sent to Sally Jameson MP to discuss various matters. Clerk to action.

05/26 Police Report & update on Road Safety/Community Speed Watch

SY Police November Report 2025

Village	Road	Crime	Statistics
Braithwell	Austwood Lane/Willow Place	Criminal Damage & Arson	1
	Austwood Lane/Willow Place	Other Theft	1
	Church Grove	Burglary	1
	Ashton Lane	Other Crime	1
	Holywell Crescent	Violence & Sexual Offences	1
	Holywell Lane	Vehicle Crime	1
Micklebring	Ruddle Lane	Anti-Social Behaviour	1
	Ruddle Lane	Criminal Damage & Arson	1
	Ruddle Lane	Violence & Sexual Offences	1
	Aldrens Close	Violence & Sexual Offences	1
		Total	**10**

Community Speed Watch
No community speed watch events were completed in this period.

06/26 Update on Greaves Syke Lane – In particular DYL proposal for Micklebring Lane, Greaves Syke Lane & preventative measures on the pathway off Ruddle Lane.
Clerk notified Council that three other contractors had been approached for a quote for two security gates at the top and bottom of the pathway. Clerk noted that only one contractor had responded who had requested a site visit. Cllr Spencer agreed to attend the meeting. Clerk to action. **Matter ongoing**.
Clerk reported that no further progress had been made with regards to the DYL proposal. **Matter ongoing**.

07/26 To discuss possible installation of CCTV within the parish.
Council discussed the matter in length. Cllr Addenbrooke reported that he had contacted the Chair of Firbeck Parish Council who had responded with the following information.

"CCTV cameras have to be installed by RMBC at locations which satisfy their criteria as well as those of the locality. The cameras are not monitored. Footage is accessed either on the local PCSP lap top or by the relevant officer at RMBC. If there is an incident, they can search footage on the cameras to see if there is anything which could assist investigation. However, you need to manage expectations in this regard. Signals from the cameras are sent by mobile phone data. In our village the 5G signal is poor to non existent and so the only time to date that we have needed to check the camera footage, the police couldn't access the data because they hadn't received it. The footage was however stored on the camera itself so RMBC had to come and get the memory stick from the camera and check it for us.
Cameras can only be places on metal posts which have no other signage. We had to get some signage moved (which involved one new post) so that we could achieve the coverage of entrances to the village which we required.
Our scheme was drawn up by the RMBC project team who consulted with SYP and the road safety team when pulling a scheme together.
Our scheme, which was for two single line of sight cameras and one 180+ line of sight camera cost £5407.00."

Council discussed this matter and agreed that the cost implication to cover the entire parish would easily reach £30k. Council also agreed that the cost would outweigh the perceived benefits. Council agreed to not progress with this matter at this time. Matter resolved.

08/26 Anti-social criminal damage on Willow Crescent Green
Cllr Addenbrooke reported that he had spoken with the Police and had received the following information:

"I am just sending this email as an update to be shared at the next Parish Council meeting.
CCTV and ANPR work has been completed; we have been unable to obtain any CCTV which allows us to identify suspects or registrations of the vehicles involved. Therefore, the investigations will be filed, due to lack of evidence. If further evidence is obtained, then we can look to reopen these.

Therefore, the aim is preventing this happening further:
Relevant teams in South Yorkshire Police that work night duties have been requested to patrol the area when demand/ their commitments allow.
We understand that at least some of the property deeds prevent walls being built at the front of the properties, and we understand the financial implications of such work. It could be worth residents considering placing boulders or shrubbery at the front of the property to help prevent vehicles gaining access to their front lawns.
The parish council green has also been targeted- is this something the parish council can look at, regarding placing an appropriate perimeter round this piece of land, to prevent vehicles accessing this area.

If such occurs again, and any residents hear this happening at the time, they should call police on 999, and report this as a criminal damage in progress. If this is discovered the next morning, then we urge for all residents to keep reporting this to us"
South Yorkshire Police
Doncaster South Neighbourhood Team

Council noted the above advice. **Matter resolved.**

09/26 AED Training – Darren Richardson
Clerk confirmed that 4 dates had been arranged for the training – 11/02, 18/02, 25/02 & 04/03. The training will take place in the Ruddle Centre from 5.30pm – 7.30pm. **Matter resolved.**

10/26 Cleaning of the War Memorial & other stone units in the parish
Clerk notified Council that the Victoria Cross Trust had agreed to come and sympathetically clean the war memorial and cross in Braithwell and the Millenium View Point in Micklebring. Keith Lumley from the VCT recommended that the PC approach CDC Conservation to gain approval for the works to be carried out as two of the monuments have Grade 11 listed status. Clerk to action. **Matter ongoing.**

11/26 Ward Councillor Update
No report received.

12/26 To consider and decide on pending planning applications
25/02323/FUL – Proposal Section 73 application to remove condition no.4 (site surface and sealed) of planning permission reference
Council discussed this proposal and supported it with a show of hands. **Matter resolved**.
23/01027/FUL - Erection of agricultural workers dwelling.
Location - Manor Farm Micklebring Lane, Braithwell. Rotherham.
Council discussed this proposal and supported it with a show of hands. **Matter resolved**.

13/26 To discuss the Whitestone Solar Farm proposal
Council agreed that a representative would attend the next PC collective meeting organized by Wales Parish Council.
Cllr Pawson also raised his concerns about his accidental meeting with surveyors from the Mere Flats Solar Farm. Cllr Pawson reported that he saw these surveyors on Hoyle Croft Lane. These surveyors suggested that they were looking at the land and land to the west, for further solar farm proposals. Clerk reported that no formal application had been received. Council raised their concerns about the potential for the parish to be enclosed by solar panels if all of the proposals were approved on a local & national level. **Matter ongoing.**

14/26 To discuss the suggested proposal from the Trustees of the Masters House with regard to change in legal Ownership
Clerk confirmed that a further letter had been sent to Arthur Jackson Solicitors to ask for an update.
Matter ongoing.

15/26 To consider and approve any financial matters
1. **Bank Statement**
   Members of Council all received a copy of the current bank statement. This was reconciled and approved with a show of hands.

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2. **To receive grant funding**
Clerk confirmed that the £700.00 funding had been received from Ward Cllr Greenhalgh & Ward Cllr Dudley. This funding was ring fenced to pay for a percentage of the Parish Council's Christmas trees.

3. **To review and approve the annual insurance policy**
Council reviewed the quote from Clear Insurance, and agreed that as they specialized in Parish Council insurance that this would be the best option. Approved with a show of hands. **Matter resolved.**

4. **To discuss without prejudice offer from SCC**
Clerk reported that the credit requested from SCC had been received (£838.56). Council agreed that now SCC had refunded any charges for legal work carried out in 2025 that this matter could now be closed. **Matter resolved**.

5. **Approved Payments**

DC Hoyes – January Salary	£310.20
CDC – Play Park maintenance	£99.29
J Harrington – Rent of walkway	£1.00
Rita Dunstan – Planting	£222.98
Clear Insurance – Annual Insurance renewal	£1,498.67

6. **To discuss and approve the Precept 2026 – 2027**
Council discussed this matter in length and agreed that Council costs would increase due to the cost of living and therefore a nominal increase was required. **Matter resolved.**

	2026/2027	2025/2026	% Change
Precept on the Billing Authority – City Of Doncaster Council	£13,891	£12,628	10%
Tax Base (number of Band D Equivalents)	454	451	0.67%
Band D Tax (Precept/Tax Base)	£30.60	£28.00	9.27%

7. **To review and approve Qtr. 3 budget**
The budget was reviewed and approved with a show of hands**. Matter resolved.**

16/26 To consider new correspondence received and decide what action should be taken where necessary.
No correspondence received.

17/26 To discuss matters relating to the right of access across the car park.
No report received.

18/26 To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting.
No Matters received.

19/26 To confirm the date of the next general meeting.
Council resolved that the next general meeting would be held on the 24th February 2026, with no further business to conduct, Cllr Pawson closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

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Signed:

Date: 24th February 2026

Cllr Pawson – Chair of Braithwell with Micklebring Parish Council