

Tatham Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Tuesday 17th March 2026
The Old School, Lowgill, LA2 8PS
7.30 pm – 9.07 pm**

Present:

Cllr Wilson (Chair), Cllr Osborne, Cllr Parker, Cllr Taylor.
Cllr Crimmins (Lancashire CC), Cllr Jackson (Lancaster CC).
Clerk, M Brady.

Public Participation (limited to 5 minutes per person and 30 minutes maximum*)

No members of the public were present.

26/019 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Wattam.

26/020 Declarations of interest and dispensations

None

26/021 To consider and approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 20th January 2026.

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 20th January were approved by Council and signed by the Chair.

For Decision

26/022 To review and approve the following up dated policies as published on the Parish Council website.

The policies were reviewed, updated and approved for publication.

- Effectiveness of Internal Controls. Updated to reflect the current position.
- Risk Management Policy. No changes
- Asset Register. Updated to reflect the current position.
- Personal Data Audit. Councillors have completed the audit and returned to the Clerk.
- Data Protection Policy. No changes

26/023 To review the requirements of Assertion 10 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) and decide response.

The Parish Council email addresses @org.uk satisfy the requirements of Assertion 10, however the Parish Council website was assessed by the Clerk and does not meet the accessibility requirements. It was decided a new website which meets the requirements would be the preferred option and the Clerk to obtain quotes and circulate to councillors.

26/024 To review any further information to support the Community Emergency Plan.

Agreed to defer to the next meeting.

26/025 To review the plans provided by Lancashire County Council showing extents of Tatham Parish Council ownership at Lowgill Village Green and to review and agree the scope of planned works.

Councillors had reviewed the plans and were in agreement the extents of Tatham Parish Council ownership was confirmed and the scope of works previously agreed, should proceed.

26/026 To review the distribution of Councillor's special interests.

It was resolved, special interests be distributed as follows;

- Cllr Osborne- Lengthsman, Highways and Health.
- Cllr Wilson – Public Rights of Way, Website and Communications.
- Cllr Parker- Planning and Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme.
- Cllr Taylor – Finance, Lancashire Association of Local Councils, Forest of Bowland National Landscape.
- Cllr Wattam – Community Emergency Plan.
- Clerk – GDPR and Insurance.

26/027 Recent Planning Applications

Resolved to agree the agricultural determinations as listed.

- 26/00180/AD | Agricultural determination for the erection of machinery/agricultural storage building | Railside Yard Land East Of Old Moor Road Old Moor Road Wennington Lancashire
- 26/00243/AD | Agricultural determination for the erection of and agricultural storage building for silage | The Hill Fairheath Road Tatham Lancaster Lancashire LA2 8PP
- 26/00206/AD Agricultural determination for the construction of a new area of hardstanding| Raw Ridding Farm Monks Gate Tatham Lancaster Lancashire

Resolved to support the DMMO.

- WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 – PART III. APPLICATION FOR DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER. ADDITION OF FOOTPATH FROM SD 6016 6950, PARISH: HORNBY WITH FARLETON TO: SD 6058 6952, PARISH: TATHAM

26/028 Payments to approve

Resolved to approve the payments as listed.

Room Hire, The Old School	£ 20.00
Clerk's Salary February, March	£ 361.66

26/029 To review and approve the current budget position.

Resolved to approve the budget position and bank reconciliation.

26/030 For information

Verbal reports were noted

26/031 To review the decision taken on the 16th September 2025.

Resolved the sanctions remain in place.

26/032 To receive an update from the Clerk.

Council were advised of a personal matter and resolved to offer support which was accepted.

26/033 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Resolved the Annual Meeting of the Parish followed by the Parish Council Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th of May 2026 at 7pm St James the Less, Tatham, LA2 8NH.

*see Standing Orders 3 (f) and 3 (g)

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Signed: Chairman	Date:
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