Carlton Water Committee (Funding & Management)

Water Committee Members
Peter Dinsdale (PC Chair)
Stephen Pritchard
Claire Hodgson
Dan Dent
Jess Dinsdale
Marina Briggs
Carol Brown, (PC Clerk)

Minutes of Meeting held on 27th September 2026 at 7pm at Flatts Farm

Those present:
Peter Dinsdale (PC Chair), Stephen Pritchard (via teams), Dan Dent, Claire Hodgson and Carol Brown (PC Clerk).

1. **Minutes from the meeting 29th April 2026**

   Minutes of the previous meeting held on 29th April 2026 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were approved and signed and will be placed on the website.

2. **Apologies for absence**

   Apologies received from Jess Dinsdale. An email was also sent to all committee members from Marina Briggs stating her intention to step down from the committee.

3. **Budget for PC meeting on 15th October 2026**

   Following discussion it was agreed for Dan Dent and the Parish Council clerk to update the budget.

   It was felt that the Parish Council funds were in a good position and to recommend to the Parish Council at their next meeting, that a repayment of the PWLB Loan could be possible.

   ACTION: Stephen to look at terms and conditions of the PWLB Loan.

   Peter Dinsdale asked if a special dispensation was needed for the amount of funds that were in the Parish Council bank account.

   ACTION: The Parish Council Clerk would look into this.

   The committee felt that a precept of £27000.00 for the 27/28 year would be in line with the budget forecast.

   ACTION: Dan Dent would give a report to the Parish Council at their next meeting with the committee's recommendations.

4. **YDNP Grant**

   The Clerk informed the committee that the SDF grant had been received from the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority into the Parish Council bank account.

5. **Water Contributions Agricultural**

   The Clerk informed the committee that the recommendations regarding agricultural water charges put forward to the Parish Council at the Parish Council meeting in July, had been approved by the Parish Council. However, the Parish Council felt that a £50 administration charge for the water troughs was excessive and elected to reduce this to £25 for the troughs only.

6. Water Contributions Businesses

The Clerk informed the committee that the recommendations regarding business water charges put forward to the Parish Council at the Parish Council meeting in July, had been approved by the Parish Council. These had been sent out to businesses for payment due for the 25/26 year at the end of October 2026 and December 2026 for the 26/27 year.

7. Phase 3 Remote Monitoring Funding

Peter Dinsdale stated that the new plant was working well and producing clean potable water. He informed the committee that a first service would be due shortly by our contractors H & H and they would inform the Water Committee of any adjustments needed to the new plant. It was discussed that the remote monitoring would be looked at after this first service.

8. Water Contracts with Businesses

Following discussion it was recommended that Clive Mottram at Weightmans would be contacted to discuss the new Water Charter. At present the committee felt that continuing with the precept to fund the water supply was the best option for the Parish Council

ACTION: Dan Dent and Stephen Pritchard to contact him

9. Any Other Business

The committee discussed the possibility of moving the electricity supply from the back of the chapel to the middle hut. Dan Dent explained that Northern Powergrid had possible funding available to help with this.

ACTION: Dan Dent to contact Northern Powergrid.

As the new plant has now been installed it was felt that the Water Committee's as they stand at the moment (2 groups, one working committee, the other funding and management committee) would be better amalgamated into one committee. It was suggested that this amalgamation could possibly start in April 2027, bringing together knowledge and expertise from both groups. This would be suggested to the Parish Council in Dans report at the next Parish Council meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm