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Holme Valley Parish Council



MEET THE HOME VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Did you know that Holme Valley Parish Council has 5 committees made up of councillors that meet with varying regularity to support the work of the wider council?

Finance and Management – Chair Cllr Charles Greaves

The Finance and Management Committee meets every six to eight weeks, with authority to make decisions on the Council's banking and audit arrangements, assets, income, insurance and risk management. The Committee also awards grants twice per year. It is responsible for the Council's general administrative arrangements, management of the Council's tenancies, and agreeing any training requirements for Councillors. It manages the day-to-day protection and access to information under the Freedom of Information and Data Protection legislation.

Service Provision - Chair Cllr Lawrence Baylin

The Service Provision Committee meets every two months, to oversee the management of assets and services funded by the Parish Council including the Holme Valley minibus services and matters relating to youth facilities and projects. With the assistance of its maintenance contractor (appointed annually), it maintains hundreds of public seats, half a dozen stone bus shelters and a number of war memorials in the Valley, together with a closed churchyard in New Mill and six adopted red phone boxes.

Staffing - Chair Cllr Tom Dixon

The Staffing Committee oversees our employees and deals with any employment matters including training, performance and appointments once posts are approved by Full Council. It meets at least three times a year.



Planning - Chair Cllr Andy Wilson

The Planning Committee meets every four to six weeks and is a consultee to the local Planning Authorities. Councillors comment on local planning applications, submitted to Kirklees Council and the Peak District National Park Authority. The Committee also responds to wider concerns raised by local residents and requests for comment on draft documents, from planning authorities and central government and supports local road safety and traffic management schemes.

Climate Action, Communications and Engagement – Chair Cllr Sarah Whitelaw

Holme Valley Parish Council declared a climate emergency on 25th March 2019 and a key function of the committee is to engage with groups in the community and other statutory groups to effect climate action. The committee coordinates Parish Council representation in the community and oversees all aspects of the Council's external communications. As part of the outward-facing work of the committee, all recognition awards presented by the Parish Council are managed by CACE.

Get Involved!

There is a 15 minute public session at the beginning of every committee meeting for any member of the public to speak on any agenda item they wish. Contact the Clerk or visit our website for more information on meeting times and locations.

Contacting Holme Valley Parish Council:

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