

Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in The Supper Room on Thursday 18th February 2016

1. Present, Cllrs Mr T Swales (Chairman), Mr D Harland, Mr N Coward, Mr M Read, Mr D Manging, Mr T Wood, Mr N Ward, Mr M Stafford, Mr M Laverick, Mr Robin Harker, Mrs A Atkinson and HDC ward Member Cllr D Hugill

Apologies

None

2. Public Forum

3. Minutes of the meeting of 21st January 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman

4. Matters arising

4.1 Items not on the agenda

All items taken in the allotted section.

4.2 Police matters

A written report was provided in absentia by PSO Dani Griffin covering the following areas:

A burglary occurred at a property in North End, a vehicle was stolen from the roadside in Osmotherley and a shed was also burgled in North End. There have been a record number of applicants to become Special Constables and the Police Crime Commissioner has announced plans to boost police numbers from 1343 to 1,400, Police Community Support Officer's from 183 to 200

A scheme to erect CCTV cameras, on private property, but utilising the North Yorkshire County Councillor Locality grant of £4000 has been approved and signed. There has been a meeting with the police who confirmed that cameras can be moved to particular hot spots as required.

4.3 Highways

Cars had been abandoned at the foot of clack Lane during the recent snowy weather and issues to report include potholes on Chester Lane, Sowerby under Cotcliffe and School Lane, Osmotherley. Also the cattlegrid at Snilesworth is becoming dangerous. Discussion ensued over whose responsibility it was to repair the tarmac in front of The Three Tons and MS volunteered to discuss this further with the owner and report back to the next meeting.

4.4 NYCC

Nothing to report

4.5 HDC

A letter had earlier been distributed from the Moorsbus Community Interest Company to seek ideas from the members to improve the provision but unfortunately no comments were forthcoming.

Recycle bins had been distributed throughout the area and already a number of complaints had been received from residents regarding leaving them in conspicuous places and thus effecting the village character. It was agreed that this would be mentioned in the forthcoming newsletter and residents should contact HDC if they have issues.

DH also updated that HDC had agreed to increase next year's council tax by 4.9%

4.6 Maintenance

> Toilets – awaiting an estimate from the builder to undertake work to the drains

> The churchwall – an estimate had been received from Paul Atkinson to undertake repairs following a meeting with DM and TS. Discussion centred on whether or not stitching was required and TS was asked to approach the builder for a revised estimate. This would be circulated as a matter of urgency for a final decision

> The repairs to the Bus Shelter remain outstanding.

> It was confirmed that the steps up to the Catholic Church would be repaired by K.Henderson as soon as possible.

4.7 Village Hall

There had not been a meeting of the Village Hall Committee and therefore there was nothing to report

4.7 New Clerk

JR confirmed that work had been carried out on the Osmotherley.Org website to improve the look and usability and he has the ability to update the website with council minutes and accounts to comply with the transparency code

5. Correspondence

Most correspondence is now electronic and is forwarded when received so Members can therefore raise concerns or comments by email to the Clerk should it need to be an agenda item. These items will only be minuted if they are discussed at a meeting.

Other items received by mail included:

- Parish Council Planning Consultation meeting 24th February – JR agreed to attend
- Hambleton Parish Liaison Meeting 31st March – it was agreed to provide information to members to consider possible attendance
- LEADER Programme launch by NYM
- YLCA Branch meeting to be held at Hambleton DC offices on the 2nd March

6. Planning

a) Applications

6.1 Green Croft, Clack Lane Ends, construction of two storey extension – this was discussed and supported only if amendments are made to the plans to take account of roofing and rendering issues.

6.2 Heatherlea, Clack Lane, replace garage and create new access – *this was supported*

b) Decisions

6.3 Oaktree Farm, Bullamoor Road - *Granted*

6.4 Highfield, Bullamoor Road - *Granted*.

6.5 11a West End, Osmotherley – UPVC window replaced satisfactorily – *Case closed*

c) Enforcement

None reported

7. Accounts

Income reported at last meeting £25,339.85

Receipts in the period:

Newsletter ads	£150.00	
Honesty Box	£60.61	
Cemetery	£55.00	
Hydro rebate	<u>£69.26</u>	
Total income for the period		£334.87

Revised 2015/16 income to 17.02.16 £25,674.72

Expenditure reported to last meeting £27,763.34

Payments in the period:

Yorks Water	<u>£69.00</u>	
Total payments for the period		£69.00

Revised 2015/16 expenditure to 17.02.16 £27,832.34

Funds:

Surplus/(Deficit) for Period	£ 265.87
Funds B/Fwd	<u>£39,853.50</u>
Funds C/Fwd	£40,119.37

Represented by:

Balance of HSBC a/c	£18,978.05
Skipton Bond,	<u>£21,141.32</u>
Total Funds as at 11.02.16	£40,119.37

Items approved at the meeting:

Clerk Expenses & Office Equipment	£28.49
Churchwall Architect,	£180.00
Village Hall, hire	£8.00
Cleaner	£144.00
Vehicle Insurance	£239.05
Sam Turner	£340.27
K.Henderson	£756.00

8. Any Other Business

The meeting room at the village Hall is required on the 21st April 2016 and therefore the Methodist chapel has been approached to host.

JR informed the meeting that errors had been made in tax deductions by the Skipton Building Society and recovery from HMRC was agreed

RH reported that a verbal estimate had been received to repair the noticeboard at Kirby Sigston. This would cost £240 to repair and DH was asked to look into available grants before approval would be given to proceed.

9. Press Items

The Clerk was asked to submit a report of the meeting to the Press.

10. Date of next meeting;

Thursday 24th March 2016 in the Supper Room at 7.30pm prompt.