

# **Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in The Methodist Church On Thursday 21st April 2016**

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

## **2. Public Forum**

A member of the public attended to discuss a proposal to plant trees within the village, funded by the Osmotherley and District Garden Club to a value of £600. Three sites were proposed and discussed, the first two required further consultation with homeowners and the third site, in the centre of the village, be mentioned in the next newsletter for comments. The planting needs to be carried out in the autumn.

## **3. Minutes of the meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> March 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 other than:

A proposal put forward by Jan Hoyland, a tree inspector, to give opinions on the trees in the village and churchyard was approved, together with a detailed report on the cherry tree causing issues at 6 North End.

Reinstatement of cobbles across the green to 6 North End was agreed

### **4.2 Police matters**

A written report was provided in absentia by PCSO Shane Hardy but happily there were no incidents to report.

### **4.3 Highways**

The cattlegrid at Snilesworth has been temporarily repaired but more specific work will be continuing. Potholes were reported outside 19 & 31 North End

### **4.4 NYCC**

Previously it was reported that Recycling centres will now be taking tyres and these will be at a cost of £1.75 per tyre. A temporary replacement head has finally been appointed at the primary school.

### **4.5 HDC and NPA**

The clerk, following last month's meeting, reported that grant aid from HDC was only available to community groups and RH was asked to raise the notice board at Kirby Sigston with the Village Hall committee at its next meeting.

The National Park planning conditions and outcomes was raised and concern over consistency discussed and it was suggested that the Planning Officer be asked to attend

the next meeting of the Parish Assembly (date tbc). Also second home concerns were discussed and these would also be discussed at this meeting.

#### **4.6 Maintenance**

> Toilets – the remaining drainage work was completed by the end of March in-line with the grant scheme terms and the claim completed by the clerk

> The churchwall – an estimate had been received from Paul Atkinson to undertake repairs following a meeting with DM and TS. A further quote is required to ensure that the grant from 2015 is carried forward to 2016. The clerk has this in hand.

> The tarmac area in front of the Three Tuns public house, the subject of discussions at numerous past meetings was discussed extensively once again but grant aid to repair the area was supported

> There is a requirement to undertake a survey of headstones in the cemetery and this was agreed to be undertaken in the coming months.

> A proposal to utilise the front wall of the cemetery to record buried crematoria remains was discussed and agreed to add this issue to the above headstone survey to consider size and site of said burials.

#### **4.7 Village Hall**

A proposal by the Village Hall Committee to purchase Church House in the event of a future sale was discussed and in principle the proposal was supported.

The current upgrading and repair of the previously reported poor state of the gent's toilet was welcomed by the council.

### **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:

- Hambleton Business Awards – application forms available and suggestions welcomed
- NYMNP – Section 4 reminder letters sent to all within the conservation area and a reminder that Community Grants are available for works in the council area should they be identified

### **6. Planning**

#### **a) Applications**

6.1 Clack House, Clack Lane, orangery extension to rear of property - *agreed.*

6.2 6 North End, dormer windows to rear of property – *agreed*

6.3 Ravens Downe, Clack Lane replacement dormer windows – *agreed*

#### **b) Decisions**

*None reported*

#### **c) Enforcement**

*None reported*

## 7. Accounts

Income reported at last meeting £30,447.61

### Receipts in the period:

Honesty Box	£69.44	
YLCA Transparency Grant	£418.91	
School playingfields	£125.00	
Skipton BS Interest	<u>£55.18</u>	
Total income for the period		£668.53

Revised 2015/16 income to 11 April £31,116.14

Expenditure reported to last meeting £29,597.15

### Payments in the period:

Hydro	£24.67	
Yorks.Water	£2.00	
Osmotherley Methodist Church	£12.00	
CCTV First	£4,794.00	
Printroom	£44.00	
J.Robinson expenses	£49.09	
A.Hunter - Welcome Pack	£15.82	
Thirsk Community	£65.00	
J.Robinson salary	£505.39	
HMRC Tax	£126.20	
K.Henderson	£112.00	
A.King	£1,791.00	
L.T. King	£910.00	
Printroom	£44.00	
Paul Atkinson – Toilets	<u>£1,875.00</u>	

Total Expenditure in the period £10,370.17

Revised 2015/16 expenditure to 11th April £39,967.32

### Funds:

Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)	-£9,701.64
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting	<u>£43,127.45</u>
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting	£33,425.81

### Represented by:

Balance of HSBC a/c	£12,229.31
Skipton Bond,	<u>£21,196.50</u>
Total Funds as at 11 April 2016	£33,425.81

### Items Presented for Payment at Meeting

Zurich Insurance	£391.72
J.Robinson	£74.75
Sam Turner	£13.33

Osmotherley village Hall	£174.00
Hambleton DC	£30.01
YLCA	£289.00
K.Henderson	£672.00
Printroom	£44.00

### **8. Any Other Business**

The clerk suggested that a new sign be agreed to promote the Honesty Box and this was agreed, together with replacing the two boot scrapers in front of the toilets  
It was reported that a resident in Ellerbeck was presenting the village in an unsightly manner and it was agreed that the clerk write to the owner, Broadacres, to explain the situation

### **9. Press Items**

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

### **10. Date of next meeting;**

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016 in The Supper Room at 7.30pm prompt. This will be the Annual Meeting of the council.**