

# **Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held at Kirby Sigston Village Hall On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019**

**Present** Mr N Coward (Acting chairman), Mr M Laverick, Mr M Read, Mr N Ward, Mr T Wood, Mr R Harker and Mrs A Atkinson

**1. Apologies** Mr M Stafford (Chairman), Mr Bob Manners (Vice Chairman), Mr R Horner, Ms C Nozedar and HDC/NYCC ward Member Cllr D Hugill

**2. Minutes of the meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman**

### **3. Public Forum**

A concerned resident attended, who had previously raised issues with the way in which the Queen Catherine had done alterations to the establishment without the proper permissions. He has reported these in person to the North York Moors National Park but felt that our involvement was required to reinforce the villagers concerns. NC confirmed, along with MR and TW that many residents of the village felt that the work recently done to the front of the parking area had been done without the proper consultation and permissions. The Clerk confirmed that he and NC had been in touch with the Nat.Park Enforcement Officer recently who had confirmed that the work to cover the front parking area with Yorkshire Stone, or similar, did not require planning approval. The owner had however caused the issue to be a concern largely because no consultation with the PC had occurred and therefore not reported to the village. This has meant that the work has caused many residents to be concerned when consultation could have avoided many of the problems.

The PC has control over the land but not ownership, nor however does the owner of the public house. The lack of consultation with the village has upset many residents, including the loss of the disabled parking space and the proliferation of picnic tables taking up potential parking spaces (especially for the colder months of the year where sitting outside to drink in the 'beer garden' is unlikely).

Work done by both the current and past Chairmen to work alongside the owner to correct many of the earlier issues has largely gone unnoticed by residents but issues surrounding bin and gas bottle storage had been agreed together with working with Church authorities on other matters. The corner cut into the green was agreed to be reinstated by the owner, when it was pointed out that the PC owned the Green and was unhappy with the incursion.

The National Park Planning Team are fully aware of all the issues but have given retrospective approval to the interior works and have asked that externally the lighting and signage be reduced as they were excessive. This has been carried out.

It was agreed by the PC that going forward the Clerk be instructed to write to the owner expressing its concerns on behalf of residents and that a letter be written to the National Park Planning Team to reiterate its commitment to request a new Article 4 Directive ensuring that ANY external work done to a Listed Building in the Conservation Areas of Osmotherley and Thimbleby will require permission in future. Reference to the Dark Skies Policy of the village has also been raised and discussed and agreed to be reported to the Nat.Park for comment.

#### **4. Matters arising:**

##### **4.1 Items not on the agenda**

The Clerk reported that a resident had requested that the 40mph limit be extended from Ellerbeck to the slip road onto the A19 south. The request to reduce the speed limit had been raised before. The Clerk confirmed that the Highways Project Engineer had rejected the suggestion due to lack of road distance from the A19 and making the reduction obvious to road users.

##### **4.2 Police matters**

A written report was provided by Stokesley Police in absentia. A new report style has been imposed on us which members were not happy with. The Clerk confirmed that he had complained however this is the style for future reports.

Between the dates of 9<sup>th</sup> October and 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 the following incidents have been reported to Police:

Anti-Social Behaviour: 2; Burglary: Residential: 2; Theft (including from shops): 1

##### **4.3 Highways**

A hole, which had appeared on the edge of the footpath on North End, would be repaired along with the footpath works currently underway. The damaged bollard has been repaired and TW reported a new bollard has been inserted in addition.

##### **4.4 NYCC, HDC & NYMNP**

Nothing to report

##### **4.5 Maintenance**

Nothing to report

##### **4.6 Village Hall**

NC reported that an inspection by the fire service has resulted in replacement fire extinguishers and emergency points, at a cost of £600.

##### **4.7 Capital Works 2020/21**

Due to the absence of Osmotherley Councillors it was determined that this item be delayed until next month's meeting.

##### **4.8 Queen Catherine**

Please see above discussion under Public Forum, where the issues raised by many residents had been discussed and action reported on.

#### **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.*

#### **6. Planning.**

a) Applications.

6.1 Queen Catherine - Listed Building consent for installation of French drainage system together with the installation of replacement windows - **Support**

6.2 Oaktree Farm, Bullamoor Road - Retrospective application for the construction of a building containing a biomass boiler – **No Comment**

6.3 The Old Mill, Osmotherley - installation of replacement windows and doors and enlargement of door opening to extension to allow the installation of bi-fold doors - **Support**

b) Decisions.

6.4 Pintail Nest, Winton – Construction of an extension to the dwelling to form a kitchen & additional first floor bedroom – **Granted**

6.5 Farm Buildings North of the Grange, Sowerby under Cotcliffe – Conversion of agricultural buildings into 5 residential dwellings - **Refused**

## 7. a, b, c Accounts

The Clerk reported the up to date financial position of the council updating the accounts from the October meeting:

Income reported at last meeting		£24,752.88	
<b>a) Receipts in the period:</b>			
Honesty Box	<u>£108.91</u>		
Total income for the period		<u>£108.91</u>	
Revised 2019/20 income to 5th Nov 2019			£24,861.79
Expenditure reported to last meeting		£19,745.51	
<b>b) Payments in the period:</b>			
BT Payphones	£1.00		
Initial Hygiene	£43.06		
Osmotherley Village Hall - Meeting	£8.80		
RoSPA	£115.80		
Printroom	£88.00		
K.Henderson Sept - Oct	£736.00		
The Poppy Appeal	<u>£30.00</u>		
Total expenditure for the period		<u>£1,022.66</u>	
Revised 2019/20 expenditure to 5th Nov 2019			£20,768.17
<b>c) Funds:</b>			
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)		-£913.75	
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting		<u>£37,684.53</u>	
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting		£36,770.78	
<b>Represented by:</b>			
<b>Balance of HSBC a/c</b>		£14,525.99	
<b>Skipton Bond,</b>		<u>£22,244.79</u>	
Total Funds as at 5th Nov 2019		£36,770.78	

## Items Presented for Payment at Meeting:

J.Robinson - Expenses	54.40	
Osmotherley Village Hall - Meeting & Cleaning	128.80	
Sam Turner - Consumables	64.86	
Printroom	<u>60.00</u>	
		<b>308.06</b>

## **8. Any Other Business**

Nothing raised by councillors

## **9. Press Items**

It was agreed that the approved minutes be included on the website and a summary of the discussions at this meeting be included in the next available Messenger newsletter.

**10. Date of next meeting: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 in the Village Hall, Osmotherley at 7.30pm prompt.**