

# **Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Osmotherley on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

- 1. Present:** Mr R Horner (Chairman), Mr B Manners (Vice Chairman), Mr T Wood, Mr M Read, Mr RW Harker, Mr M Stafford, Mr N Coward, Ms C Nozedar, Mr M Laverick, Mr N Ward, Mrs A Atkinson and HDC/NYCC ward Member Cllr D Hugill

**Apologies were received from:**

- 2. Minutes of the meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman.**

**3. Public Forum**

**4. Matters arising:**

**4.1 Items not on the agenda**

The Clerk and the Chairman updated the council on the following projects not on the agenda:

- The licensing hearing on the Three Tuns public house was held at HDC on the 5<sup>th</sup> January and after fair hearing, with representatives of the Parish Council, the village and the Three Tuns, given their opportunity to air their views, HDC agreed to amend the licensing hours as requested to 10am but to leave the extended hours in the evening to 11pm. The PC recognised and acknowledged the significant contributions made by a very high percentage of village residents whose input and efforts were instrumental in achieving this outcome. DH was invited at the hearing to visit the Three Tuns and DH advised that he would visit the premises as soon as possible.
- NC raised concerns in relation to the footpath, parking and issues with the disabled parking bay outside the QC and requested that it be discussed as an agenda item next month. The Clerk was asked to contact HDC licencing to confirm the pavement licenses given to the public houses in the village.
- The Burials Officer has agreed to wait until a replacement has been found and it was agreed to revise the rates paid, which will be brought to the next meeting.
- The missing yellow lines on the new covering on West End will be replaced along with roundels, on the 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022. The Clerk was asked if consideration could be given to renewing other lines in the village and it was agreed to write to the Highways Officer.
- The road entrance to Oswaldene had been reported to Broadacres, who are looking into whose responsibility any repair is.
- The damaged bollard on North End has been repaired.
- The footbridge at Bog Hole is suffering from delays caused by design and technical problems however it is hoped that replacement should commence in late February, early March 2022.

**4.2 Police matters**

The police report was presented by an officer attending the meeting and highlighted the following:

Anti-Social Behaviour: 1 – ASB Personal: 1 (not relevant to meeting)

Criminal Damage: 2 - 1 x abandoned vehicle near Scarth Nick area. Park ranger was contacted to have this removed. 1 x lock cut on a gate leading to a private estate. Reportee wanted this logging with Police, no further action taken.

Theft (including from shops): 1 x theft of farming equipment. No lines of enquiry, no action taken.

Violence Against the Person: 1 - Not relevant to meeting

North Yorkshire Police are receiving reports from across the county where victims had received a call from a male claiming to be a police officer. The 'officer' would claim that they had a male in custody they believed to be the grandson/nephew etc of the person being called and that this person was in possession of their bank and credit cards. The person being called was asked whilst on the line to immediately call their bank or the police on 911 to verify this was genuine. Obviously if the intended victim did this, they would not be talking to their bank or the police but to the fraudsters.

### **4.3 Highways**

It was again reiterated that yellow lines were deteriorating in the village and should be renewed. It was agreed to have two signs made, stating NO PARKING – PASSING PLACE so these can be placed on the village green outside the Old Vicarage to ensure the passing place on North End is kept clear.

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

The rates for next year are likely to rise by a minimum of 4%, and possibly by a further 1.5% due to the ever increasing costs of adult health issues.

HDC have produced a new local plan which is to run to 2036. Concerns have been raised by farmers in particular to the lack of biodiversity within the plan.

The Clerk raised the issue of parish elections and for councillors to consider their own positions as elections take place in May 2022 for a 5 year period.

### **4.5 Maintenance**

Nothing to report

### **4.6 Village Hall**

There are continuing damp issues that the contractor has been asked to consider. Remedial action is being undertaken to rectify.

### **4.7 Toilet Refurbishment Update**

The Clerk confirmed that progress has been made in finalising the contractor/s to undertake the refurbishment. Further meetings are likely in the coming weeks and it is hoped we can enter into a contract for work by the time of the next meeting.

## **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.*

Several residents have written in regarding issues of illegal parking, car parks and lack of parking spaces in the village. The Clerk confirmed that he would write to the Highways Officer regarding yellow lines and encouraged residents to inform the police should parking be illegal or inconsiderate.

A request was received from a resident who will be getting married in the village and hope to have a hog roast outside the village hall and asked for our support. The

council voted unanimously that everything possible should be done to support the request.

## 6. Planning.

### a) Applications.

6.1 Village Farm, Ellerbeck, Northallerton - Construction of 2no. replacement dwellings - **Support**

6.2 Haynes Arms Jeator Houses Kirby Sigston Northallerton - Change of use of land for the siting of static caravans and camping pods - **Object**

### b) Decisions

6.3 Oaktree Farm, Bullamoor Road - Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing dwelling occupied in breach of occupancy restriction condition No: 2 of application 2/95/085/0032 allowed on appeal – **Granted**

6.4 The Old Vicarage, 40 North End – Installation of vacuum sealed units to existing timber framed windows - **Withdrawn**

## 7. a, b, c Accounts

The Clerk reported the up to date financial position of the council updating the accounts from the December meeting. These were agreed and supported:

Income reported at last meeting	£20,168.64	
<b>a) Receipts in the period:</b>		
Honesty Box	£46.00	
Newsletter Ad - Thimbleby Estates	<u>£60.00</u>	
Total income for the period	<u>£106.00</u>	
Revised 2021/22 income to 31st Dec 2021		£20,274.64
Expenditure reported to last meeting	£14,310.44	
<b>b) Payments in the period:</b>		
Business Stream - Cemetery	£2.50	
J.Robinson - Salary	£624.00	
Pearson Groundcare	£900.00	
Printroom - Messenger December	£85.00	
Osmotherley Village Hall - Meeting Nov	£6.60	
Sam Turner - Consumables	£26.57	
Holly Enisz - Toilet Cleaning November	£84.00	
Di Swales - Annual fee for Burials Officer	£160.00	
1 & 1 Internet	£8.20	
Unity Trust Bank Service Service charge	<u>£18.00</u>	
Total expenditure for the period	<u>£1,914.87</u>	
Revised 2021/22 expenditure to 31st Dec 2021		£16,225.31
<b>c) Funds:</b>		
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)	-£1,808.87	
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting	<u>£44,995.76</u>	
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting	£43,186.89	

<b>Represented by:</b>	
<b>Balance of Unity Trust a/c</b>	£20,823.74
<b>Skipton Bond,</b>	<u>£22,363.15</u>
Total Funds as at 31st Dec 2021	£43,186.89

### **Unpresented cheques**

HMRC	£156.00
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### **Invoices for Payment:**

J.Robinson - Expenses	£48.57	
Holly Enisz - Toilet cleaning December	£72.00	
NYCC - New Grit Bin	£150.00	
D.Cleary - Gents Corridor Painting	£145.00	
Bob Manners - Christmas Lights	<u>£95.96</u>	
Total		<b>£511.53</b>

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

DH raised the prospect of utilising a village community bus at Appleton Wiske for a park and ride service in the village. It was evident that whilst this offer was helpful many issues need to be considered before progressing this further. The Chairman offered to investigate further.

CN raised the issue of the Queens Jubilee weekend celebrations in June. The village community is gathering ideas and support and hoped to include the PC in these discussions. An agenda item would be tabled next meeting and the Chairman asked that members considered the request for ideas.

### **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 17th February 2022 at 7.30pm in the Supper Room in the Village Hall, Osmotherley.**