

Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Osmotherley on Wednesday 17th February 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 and HDC/NYCC ward Member Cllr D Hugill

Apologies were received from: Mrs A Atkinson

- 2. Minutes of the meeting of 19th January 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.**

3. Public Forum

A resident attended to hear of any progress made in consultations with NYM regarding the Three Tuns public house alterations. The Clerk confirmed that no communications had been received and DH confirmed in a later point in the meeting that officers of the Enforcement Team at NYM had met with the owner to discuss the project. The Clerk was asked to invite the Planning Officer to the next meeting and to check the results of their site visit.

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 lining work on West End had not been completed as planned and the yellow lining request on North End had not been replied to. The Clerk was asked to take these issues up with Highways.
- The pot holes at the entrance to Oswaldene has been repeatedly chased for an answer by the Clerk, with Broadacres requiring confirmation its there road before confirming work.
- The footbridge at Bog hole will be replaced by the end of March.
- The 'No Parking' signs, agreed at last months meeting has been left with BM & MS to finalise.
- MS, NC and RWH confirmed that they would not be standing at the Parish Council elections on the 5th May 2022.
- The memorial tree, a Himalayan small cherry, agreed some months ago to be planted in the cemetery, has been purchased and will be planted shortly.
- The request to hold a hog roast on land outside the Village Hall, agreed by the PC at the last meeting has been passed to the village hall committee to finalise. It is our understanding that insurance and other concerns need to be confirmed.

4.2 Police matters

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

Commercial: 1 x Container broken in to with tools and equipment taken no lines of enquiry.

Criminal Damage: 2 - 1 x Driver on land causing damage to field. No lines of enquiry.

1 X Damage to a fence. No lines of enquiry.

Other crimes including Drugs: 3 - 1 X Fraud call. No details provided caller ended the call after they stated it was from Amazon. 1 X Fraud call, caller held on to listen to the call. No details provided and call made from a withheld number. 1 X drugs material dumped. No lines of enquiry, council informed. (This is believed to be the fly tipping at Square Corner reported to the council by Mr & Mrs Shelley, as it was on their land). This was removed by them

4.3 Highways

RWH reported that contractors working at Kirby Sigston Hall had used rubble to fill in road verge side holes along Bullamoor Road was welcomed.

4.4 NYCC, HDC & NYMNP

DH reported on the review of planning policy taking place at NYM, in particular considering the restriction on permissions on extensions over 30% of floor space.

NYCC had agreed its council tax increase at 3.99%. A Minerals and Waste Joint Plan, some 10 years in the making, had been agreed by NYCC.

4.5 Maintenance

Nothing to report

4.6 Village Hall

A request has been by the village hall committee for a letter of support from the PC to replace the stairlift. The Clerk was asked to provide said letter.

4.7 Toilet Refurbishment Update

The Clerk presented a report outlining the progress made with the contractor towards an appropriate costing of the project. He also highlighted the position of the councils finances from 2022/23 onwards. Members were asked to agree appointing Race Builders to undertake the refurbishment works and progress the project asap. The report was accepted and approvals given subject to final costings being confirmed.

4.8 Queen Catherine Frontage

NC outlined the work undertaken to determine the ownership of the area in front of the QC and its associated issues. A small working group consisting of the Chairman, NC and the Clerk have met to consider the complaints and to determine the level of response. Extensive work has been undertaken by the Clerk to liaise with local authorities to determine if appropriate approvals had been sought however these were inconclusive and following a lengthy council discussion it was agreed to deliver a letter to the owners of the QC outlining our concerns. The letter covers the picnic tables in the parking bays, the need for continuous uninterrupted footpath and for unimpeded access to the disabled parking bay by the repositioning of two picnic tables, a planter and a bike rack. The content of the letter was approved with a majority and the Clerk will send recorded delivery.

4.9 Queens Jubilee Celebrations

A report was received from the co-ordinator of the steering group, tasked with planning events and activities to commemorate the Jubilee. The report included details of events planned during the week commencing on Tuesday 31st May and ending on Sunday 5th June. The council was asked for a financial contribution, whilst it wasn't averse to this request the PC requested a more detailed budget before considering the request further.

4.10 Burial Officer Fees

The Clerk presented a report, following the discussion at last month's meeting, to revise the fees paid to the Burials Officer, both existing and future. These were unanimously agreed.

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.

A request has been received from a resident regarding the dog access on paths. Some stiles are not dog friendly and make walking with dogs difficult along said footpaths. An enquiry with NYM confirmed that the landowner was responsible for these stiles but that financial assistance from NYCC was available to help. The Clerk was asked to write back to the resident asking for more information.

6. Planning.

a) Applications.

6.1 Low Moor Farm, Long Lane, Brompton - Construction of Replacement Farmworkers Dwelling – **Support**

6.2 Land north of Lady Chapel, Ruebury Lane, Osmotherley - change of use of land from agricultural to natural burial ground – **Object**

6.3 Hillcrest Kirby Sigston - Alterations to existing derelict building to create triple garage and parking – **No Objection**

7. a, b, c Accounts

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

Income reported at last meeting		£20,274.64	
a) Receipts in the period:			
Honesty Box	£65.00		
Total income for the period		<u>£65.00</u>	
Revised 2021/22 income to 31st Jan 2022			£20,339.64
Expenditure reported to last meeting		£16,225.31	
b) Payments in the period:			
Business Stream - Cemetery	£3.00		
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	£95.96		
Osmotherley Village Hall - Room hire	£4.40		
1&1 Internet	£8.40		
Kirby Sigston VH - Hire	£10.00		
HMRC	<u>£156.00</u>		
Total expenditure for the period		<u>£693.33</u>	
Revised 2021/22 expenditure to 31st Jan 2022			£16,918.64

c) Funds:

Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)	-£628.33
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting	<u>£43,186.89</u>
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting	£42,558.56

Represented by:

Balance of Unity Trust a/c	£20,195.41
Skipton Bond,	<u>£22,363.15</u>
Total Funds as at 31st Jan 2022	£42,558.56

Unpresented cheques

None

Invoices for Payment:

Holly Enisz - Toilet cleaning January	£72.00	
Treescape - Playarea hedge cutting	£660.00	
Osmotherley Village Hall - Room hire	£8.80	
Sam Turner - Consumables	£29.49	
Printroom	£85.00	
J.Robinson - Expenses	£20.99	
Inside Outside - Ellerbeck and Playarea	<u>£534.00</u>	
		£876.28

8. Any Other Business

DH reported that work to finalise the route of the Coast to Coast national trail was progressing well and it was hoped that the route would not deviate from its original path. MR reported that rubbish was being left at the A19 junction with Thimbleby Road and asked if there were any solutions. Unfortunately this is not an area where a waste bin would be helpful as it was a junction.

He also raised the reported closing of the crossing onto the A19 from Thimbleby. DH confirmed that a review was underway to consider whether these openings in the dual carriageway should be closed in future, in a similar way to the Mount Grace entrance.

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 March 2022 at 7.30pm in the Supper Room in the Village Hall, Osmotherley.