

Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Osmotherley on Thursday 16th June 2022

1. **Present:** Mr R Horner (Chairman), Mr B Manners, Mr B Robinson, Mr T Wood, Mr M Read, Mrs M Kay, Mr P. Howlett, Mr N Ward, Mr M Laverick and the NYCC ward member Cllr B Fortune.

Apologies were received from: Ms C Nozedar, Mrs A Atkinson and HDC ward Member Cllr D Hugill.

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

3. **Public Forum**

None

4. **Matters arising:**

4.1 Items not on the agenda

The Chairman opened the main meeting by welcoming all new councillors to the parish council and welcomed their input in future meetings.

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

- The footbridge At Bog Hole has still not been replaced due to problems with the supplier. Area2 have advised that they need to go out to tender but hope it will be by September.
- The hole in the road surface on North End had spread to the verge and following inspections by both NYCC and Yorkshire Water it was determined that work was required to be done by the PC. Coxon Bros, suggested by Highways, has inspected and the work will likely be in the region of £1360 to dig out the area under our village green. A further £1760 maybe required to repair the damage, should this be discovered. It was agreed to obtain further quotes before continuing.
- The culvert causing issues on Clack Lane for Orchard House has been chased for a solution. Highways will discuss the issue further with the landowner, Diocese of York, as it their responsibility.
- Gullies along North End have been inspected and determined that they can wait until the annual maintenance programme. Members were unhappy at the situation regarding gullies cleaning throughout the area and BF confirmed that she would ask Highways for comment.
- A resident reported concerns at the last meeting around second homes and the lack of affordable homes in the village. A reply has been received from NYMNP, which the Clerk read out. They have raised similar concerns within the Management Plan and will also raise this with central government. Further support within the park was also received following a poll held by the parish council in Whitby. It was agreed to wait and see how things progress in Whitby before continuing with further action. BR agreed to carry out research and report further.
- Concerns regarding the grasscutting in the village have been raised with the contractor who assured the Clerk that this has been due to excessive growth of the grass and mulching would not have been possible. It was agreed that things had improved since the last cut.

- Broadacres have responded to our concerns over the grasscutting in Oswaldene and this has been due to contractor issues, which they assure us, has now been corrected.
- The lock mechanism on the disabled toilet door has been replaced by BM.
- Concerns were raised regarding speeding vehicles through the villages of Thimbleby and Ellerbeck and the Clerk reported these to the speed Survey team at NYCC. A survey can be undertaken for £110 each and locations discussed and agreed. Should a VAS(vehicle activated sign) be required, then funding would need to be sought as these can cost in the region of £3500 plus vat each. It was agreed that a speed survey be carried out initially in Thimbleby.

4.2 Police matters

The police report was not circulated to all councillors as no incidents had been recorded in the period:

4.3 Highways

Nothing further to report

4.4 NYCC,HDC & NYMNP

Nothing to report

4.5 Maintenance

Nothing to report

4.6 Village Hall

Nothing to report

4.7 Toilet Refurbishment Update

The Clerk was asked to provide the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, PH, with quote details of the work required to complete the refurbishment of the toilets to enable a grant application to be completed.

4.8 Constituent Reports

Members from the other areas in the parish were asked to raise any issues pertinent to their areas. Nothing to report.

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 to place a memorial bench near to the car park at sheepwash. This request has been passed to the landowner, National Trust for comment.

Following two requests from residents on North End to cut back trees near to their homes it was agreed that a tree survey be undertaken and approval sought to do the work as soon as possible.

6. Planning.

a) Applications.

6.1 Oaktree Farmhouse, Bullamoor - Conversion of garage to form kitchen, Single storey extension to form entrance hall, family area, WC and garden room. Two storey extension to form stairwell, Installation of a Juliet balcony, Revised site

entrance to improve safety and Construction of a new detached triple garage with garden store and first floor hobby room – **No Objection**

b) Decisions

6.2 Brook House Kirby Sigston - Development to raise the roof above existing extension and alter roof over bay window to flat roof – **Granted**

7. a, b, c, Accounts

The Clerk reported the up to date financial position of the council updating the accounts from the meeting. The monthly bank reconciliation was agreed and supported:

Income reported at last meeting	£7,562.92	
a) Receipts in the period:		
Honesty Box	£56.00	
Cemetery Plots	£200.00	
VAT Refund	<u>£197.11</u>	
Total income for the period	<u>£453.11</u>	
Revised 2022/23 income to 31st May 2022		£8,016.03
Expenditure reported at last meeting	£1,414.74	
b) Payments in the period:		
Scottish Water - Cemetery	£3.00	
1 & 1 Internet	£8.40	
Pearson Groundcare - April grasscutting	£900.00	
M.Stafford - Sign for North End	£122.97	
Printroom - May Newsletter	£85.00	
Osmotherley Community Group - Jubilee Grant	£250.00	
Zurich Municipal Insurance	£481.21	
J.Robinson - Expenses	£27.48	
Osmotherley Village Hall - Hire April	£8.80	
Inside Outside Services - Play Area	£223.20	
Holly Enisz - April cleaning	£96.00	
Kirby Sigston Village Hall - Jubilee Grant	£25.00	
Hydro Electric	<u>£316.89</u>	
Total expenditure for the period	<u>£2,547.95</u>	
Revised 2022/23 expenditure to 31st May 2022		£3,962.69
c) Funds:		
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)	-£2,094.84	
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting	<u>£53,216.82</u>	
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting	£51,121.98	
Represented by:		
Balance of Unity Trust a/c	£28,758.83	
Skipton Bond,	<u>£22,363.15</u>	
Total Funds as at 31st May 2022	£51,121.98	

Invoices for Payment:

Sam Turner & Sons - Consumables	£29.83
J.Robinson - Salary June	£635.05
HMRC	£158.60
MJW Property Services	£85.00
Printroom	£85.00
Osmotherley Village Hall - Hire May	£8.80
J.Robinson - Expenses	£103.09
Holly Enisz - Toilet cleaning May	£96.00
Marcus Pearson - Grasscutting May	<u>£900.00</u>

£2,101.37

8. Any Other Business

TW advised the council he is proposing to upgrade to the CCTV housed at Oakgarth, which combines the original village CCTV. After some discussion it was agreed that the Clerk ask the instigator of the scheme to comment on the quality of the number plate recognition on all the other cameras in the village before proceeding.

BR asked if the Ukranian flag had gained approval from the church to fly it on the flagpole and it was agreed that BR would go directly to the church to confirm its position on the subject.

BM reported a pothole on School Lane, its location would be confirmed with the Clerk following the meeting.

MR reported that the path alongside the cricket pitch was becoming difficult to walk due to long grass issues and that he would discuss this with the cricket team.

RH confirmed that he had looked into a car parking request from the fish & chip shop. After examining the request it was agreed that unfortunately there wasn't the space required to line out the area because it would completely block the footpath.

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 and AGM: Thursday 21st July 2022 at 7.30pm in the Supper Room in the Village Hall, Osmotherley.