

Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Osmotherley on Thursday 21st July 2022

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

Apologies were received from: Mr N Ward, Mrs A Atkinson and HDC ward Member Cllr D Hugill.

- 2. Minutes of the meeting of 16th June 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.**

3. Public Forum

None

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 footbridge At Bog Hole is due to begin being replaced on the 1st August. The work will hopefully be completed by early September.
- The hole in the road surface on North End has been repaired by NYCC Highways following work done to replace areas of damaged culvert in the verge adjacent to the road. This work was done expertly by our Caretaker at our cost.
- The culvert causing issues on Clack Lane for Orchard House has been chased for a solution. Highways have attempted to discuss the problem with the landowner, Diocese of York and their representatives, Savills but sadly to no avail. The Clerk and Highways will continue to press for a solution to the issue.
- The Chairman wrote a letter to NYCC Highways following the last meeting however the result was a similar reply to last month's email to the Clerk, sighting availability of the contractor and equipment as reasons for the stance. BF confirmed that she would ask Highways for further comment and the Clerk was asked to write again to the Director of Highways regarding the situation. Some councillors felt that we should undertake the work then recharge NYCC Highways with the cost however this was thought to be a very last resort solution to a problem that is not the PC's responsibility and potential liability issues.
- BR reported on the research he'd undertaken on the results of the Whitby vote on second homes and holiday lets. This followed a resident reporting concerns at the last meeting around second homes and the lack of affordable homes in the village. Over 95% of responses in Whitby wanted some form of control/legislation to be imposed in future. The local council, Scarborough BC, did caveat that the results were not binding and simply an indication in one part of the area of the issues encountered. The Clerk had received a questionnaire from NALC (National Association of Local Councils) asking parish councils to complete regarding this very issue and BR was asked to compile the response on behalf of the PC.
- The speed survey has been setup in Thimbleby, following agreement with the Speed Survey Officer at NYCC and the Clerk would contact him to confirm next steps. CN raised concerns once again of the speed of cars leaving the A19 past Clack Lane Ends and also through the village of Ellerbeck. The Clerk asked that residents be

encouraged to share these concerns officially to ensure that pressure can be brought to those able to effect a solution.

- The tree survey has been completed by a local arborist on the trees at North End as agreed at the last meeting. The Clerk has completed the planning application to allow these trees to be maintained professionally. The process is ongoing.
- Following a request to look at the quality of the equipment currently used in the village for vehicle recognition at the last meeting, the Clerk had contacted the person responsible in the village and it was agreed that this was largely still working well. It was further agreed that he would investigate all the cameras to ensure they were all working well and that number plates could be recognised.
- The agreement to fly the Ukrainian flag in the village to show support for the war in that country was provided by the church. The Clerk has purchased the flag and rope and it is hoped that this will be attached to the flagpole in the churchyard in the near future.
- BM reported potholes on School Lane and following the last meeting the Chairman confirmed the position and the Clerk subsequently reported these to Highways. They were attended to within the week.
- MR reported that he had discussed the path alongside the cricket pitch with the club however the fence has been removed and therefore it was easier to walk alongside the pitch and it was agreed not to take the matter further.
- The Chairman confirmed that he had reported back to the owner of the fish & chip shop regarding the proposal to mark out parking bays adjacent to the shop. Unfortunately this was not possible due to the spaces encroaching on the footpath.

4.2 Police matters

The police report was circulated to all councillors and the following incidents were highlighted:

Anti-Social Behaviour:2 ; ASB Nuisance: 1 x Reports of people drinking in the street, screaming and shouting in early hours of the morning following an event in the village.

1 x Group gathered at Cod Beck with open fire, PCSO attended and fire put out.

Burglary: Residential: 1 x Burglary from residential outbuilding.

4.3 Highways

BM confirmed that some of the granite sets around the village green were in need of re setting, due to damage from vehicles. The Clerk was asked to progress this with Highways initially to determine if they would repair.

4.4 NYCC,HDC & NYMNP

BF updated the PC on the reorganisation process and the issues caused by this on day to day workload.

4.5 Maintenance

BM updated the council on an issue regarding a water leak from a pipe in the cupboard in the toilets. It had been impossible to find the stop cock to isolate the water and Yorkshire Water had been called in to help. Should this not be possible BF offered a contact at HDC who might be able to assist.

4.6 Village Hall

PH confirmed it was the intention of the committee to replace certain windows and doors and asked the PC for agreement, which was provided. He also outlined issues around a concrete plinth that may need to be broken away from the exterior wall as this was causing damp issues and with agreement would explore further and include the services of a structural engineer if necessary.

4.7 Toilet Refurbishment Update

The Clerk highlighted that we are awaiting further contact from the contractor used by NYM to provide a quotation. BM confirmed that another quote was also being sought and would be chased. PH outlined the various options for grants via the village hall and would progress further once we had more understanding of the amounts required to complete the work.

4.8 Constituent Reports

Members from the other areas in the parish were asked to raise any issues pertinent to their areas.

NW, in his absence, asked the Clerk to explain that, once again, following the reporting of road issues around West Harlsey, Highways had quickly rectified these deficiencies. No other areas had anything 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.

The Clerk had received a complaint regarding the firework display, proposed on the eve of the Summer Games. A reply was made and the authorities notified.

A concerned resident contacted the council regarding a new sign on the listed building Moon House. The relevant authorities were notified.

The Clerk has received an email from the police regarding whether or not the village was intending to hold the annual Remembrance Sunday service. It was confirmed that this was the intention and the Clerk ensure the necessary authorities were informed.

6. Planning.

a) Applications.

6.1 Ardmore Hailstone Moor Northallerton- Construction of Mixed Use Building for Accommodation of Agricultural Livestock, Machinery and Implements, and for Private Equestrian Stabling – **Support**

6.2 1 Grant Close, Osmotherley - non material amendment to planning approval NYM/2020/0268/FL to allow the relocation of two rooflights – **No Objection**

b) Decisions

6.3 Village Farm Ellerbeck - Construction of 2no. replacement dwellings – **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		£8,016.03	
a) Receipts in the period:			
Honesty Box	£100.00		
Interest - Skipton BS	<u>£47.66</u>		
Total income for the period		<u>£147.66</u>	
Revised 2022/23 income to 30th June 2022			£8,163.69

Expenditure reported at last meeting		£3,969.62	
b) Payments in the period:			
Scottish Water - Cemetery	£3.00		
Scottish Water - Toilets	£8.75		
1 & 1 Internet	£8.40		
ICO Annual Fee	£35.00		
Pearson Groundcare - April grasscutting	£900.00		
Sam Turner	£29.83		
Printroom - July Newsletter	£85.00		
J.Robinson Salary	£635.05		
HMRC	£158.60		
J.Robinson - Expenses	£103.09		
Osmotherley Village Hall - Hire May	£8.80		
MJW Property Services	£85.00		
Unity Trust Bank Quarterly Fee	£18.00		
Holly Enisz - May cleaning	<u>£96.00</u>		
Total expenditure for the period		<u>£2,174.52</u>	
Revised 2022/23 expenditure to 30th June 2022			£6,144.14

c) Funds:			
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)		-£2,026.86	
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting		<u>£51,121.98</u>	
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting		£49,095.12	

Represented by:			
Balance of Unity Trust a/c		£49,095.12	
Skipton Bond, Account Closed		<u>£0.00</u>	
Total Funds as at 30th June 2022		£49,095.12	

Invoices for Payment:			
Community TM Ltd - Summer Games Traffic Man.	£600.00		
Osmotherley Village Hall June Meeting	£8.80		
Pearson Groundcare - Grasscutting June	£900.00		
Pearson Ground Services	£600.00		
Inside Outside Services - Play Area	£850.00		
Printroom	£85.00		
J.Robinson - Expenses	£17.49		
Holly Enisz - Toilet Cleaning June	<u>£84.00</u>		

£3,145.29

8. Any Other Business

BR confirmed that a consultation exercise would be undertaken by the primary school to join with the pre-school.

BF circulated a report put together on how to handle issues with traveller and gypsy camps, should they be an issue in future for the PC.

The Chairman outlined the ongoing discussions for a car park in the village with interested parties. Should agreement be sought to proceed then a public consultation will take place. Finally, it was agreed by all to congratulate the Summer Games Committee on the sterling work undertaken to ensure the event was a success.

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 15th September 2022 at 7.30pm in the Supper Room in the Village Hall, Osmotherley.