

Minutes of the Meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Osmotherley on Thursday 18th July 2024

- 1. Present:** Mr B Robinson (Chairman), C Nozedar, Mr N Ward, Mr M Read, Mrs M Kay Mr M Laverick, Mr T Wood, Mr T Sillars and NYC Representative Cllr D Hugill (part)

Apologies were received from: Mr P Howlett (Vice-Chairman), Mrs A Atkinson and Mr S. Blythe for personal issues.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Tristan Sillars to the meeting following the interview success.

- 2. Minutes of the meeting of 20th June 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman**

3. Public Forum

None attended, however, following the recent Councillor interviews, it was suggested by the Chairman to invite the chair of the Environment Group once a month to present an update on issues under consideration by them. MK then also suggested that a topic be communicated via Messenger inviting residents to attend to discuss. This was agreed.

4. Matters arising:

4.1 Items not on the agenda

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

- The Chairman welcomed the new councillors to the meeting following the interview process held on the 11th July. Councillor training would be arranged prior to the next meeting of the council.
- The water leak from field at Westfields causing damage to road surface – work has been done along the field edge clearing the ditch.
- The water leak from fields along Cuddly Lane – the landowner contacted the Clerk to confirm that she had carried out the work independently and was aggrieved that the PC and other agencies appeared to be taking credit.
- MR reported at the last meeting concerns over the use of the highway verge by a resident of Ellerbeck and the Clerk agreed to look into ownership issues. The Clerk confirmed that the house was in private ownership and that he had raised the concerns with Highways.

4.2 Police matters

The police report from 1st June to 30th June 2024 was circulated to all councillors to discuss the following incidents:

ASB Personal: 1 – 2 incidents covering verbal attack

ASB Nuisance: 1

Drugs: 1

Burglary: Residential: 1

Violence Against the Person: 1 – 2 incidents

4.3 Highways

MR updated the council on discussions held with a resident over the proposal to close the 'gaps' on the A19, following a letter to the media. It would seem that as many residents of Thimbleby would be happy for the gap to close as would not. CN reported on pot hole problems on Birk Brow Bank and the Clerk confirmed Highways were aware and would repair shortly.

4.4 NYC & NYMNP

The Clerk reported that he'd attended the Joint Parish Forum meeting and listened to a very interesting report from Briony Fox, Conservation and Climate Change Director. Funding is available for works to enhance the village, particularly in village lighting(dark skies) and boundary wall repair concerns. Also the possibility of toilet funding will be explored.

DH reported on the consultation exercises NYC are undertaking on the home to school transport and waste collection. The Chairman confirmed he'd raise with the school head.

4.5 Village Assets

The Clerk updated the PC on the progress made with the consultants who would undertake the refurbishment of the toilets. A final budget meeting was held to clarify the funding situation and agreed that we would have enough funds to carry out the work. It was confirmed that work could commence, likely to be in September 2024. The Clerk asked that this be agreed and reminded council that initially we would overspend the budget due to VAT having to be reclaimed at a later date.

The Chairman confirmed he has held discussions with the Coffee Shop owners and the organiser of the Summer Games. Grant requests were greeted with approval and further discussions would be held to confirm the amounts. It should be noted that it would be next years' Summer Games before any support would be received.

4.6 Constituent Reports

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

Thimbleby – MR reported that certain verges in the village had been cut by Highways but unsure why. DH confirmed that the council cut the verges once or twice a year and delays due to the wet weather may have had an effect. CN reported similar issues on Clack Bank.

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 Hambleton House, 8 West End - Application for Listed Building consent for installation of replacement timber double glazed windows and doors together with removal of rear door and replacement with window - **Support**

6.2 Osmotherley Mill - Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling, including part demolition and removal of 2no. conservatories and installation of package treatment plant – **Support**

6.3 The Hideaway, Clack Lane, Osmotherley - Application for variation of condition 6 of planning approval NYM2/113/0178C/PA to allow the installation of uPVC windows – **No Objection**

b) Decisions

6.4 Various issues at Three Tuns Inn/Moon House, South End, Osmotherley - Signage to Three Tuns/Moon House; Colour of window sills and doors/stone surrounds to Three Tuns/Moon House; Lighting to Three Tuns; Use of Moon House and rear outbuilding as B and B accommodation – **No breach of planning & No further action required**

DH reported that the shed erected in a garden at 11 Westfields had been granted approval on appeal. The council expressed concern that a retrospective application, which had been turned down, had been given approval, totally out of character with the development at Westfields.

7. a, b, c Accounts

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

Income reported at last meeting		£12,173.72	
a) Receipts in the period:			
Honesty Box	£117.00		
Total income for the period		<u>£117.00</u>	
Revised 2024/25 income to 30th June 2024			£12,290.72

Expenditure reported to last meeting		£3,988.24	
b) Payments in the period:			
Osmotherley Village Hall - May Meeting	£10.00		
Marcus Pearson - May Grasscutting	£990.00		
J.Robinson - Salary	£739.05		
HMRC	£184.60		
Inside Outside Services - Playarea grasscutting - May 24	£90.00		
Services NE - Drain clearance toilets	£95.00		
AF Arborists - Tree pruning	£380.00		
Printroom - June newsletter	117.00		
H. Enisz - Toilet cleaning May 24	91.00		
J.Robinson - Expenses	77.89		
ICO Information Fee	35.00		
Web Fee	12.00		
Service Fee	<u>18.00</u>		
Total expenditure for the period		£2,839.54	
Revised 2024/25 expenditure to 30th June 2024			£6,827.78

c) Funds:			
Surplus/(Deficit) for Period (Income less Exp)		-£2,722.54	
Funds B/Fwd From last meeting		<u>£56,794.03</u>	
Funds C/Fwd to next meeting		£54,071.49	

Represented by:			
Balance of Unity Trust a/c 30th June 2024			£54,071.49

Unpresented cheques

Invoices for Payment:

North Yorkshire Council - Building Regs plan check fee	£188.76		
Holly Enisz - Toilet cleaning June 2024	£91.00		
Community TM Ltd - Summer Games	£660.00		
Osmotherley Village Hall - Room hire	£10.00		
Printroom - Messenger July	£117.00		
Inside Outside Services - Play area care June	£90.00		
J.Robinson - Expenses July	£127.25		
Pearson Ground Services and Notice Board repair	<u>£1,035.00</u>		
		Total	£2,319.01

8. Any Other Business

The Clerk confirmed that the invoices for advertising in the Messenger had been sent out last week. MR raised concerns once again regarding the state of the road outside the water works on South End. The Clerk would raise the cleaning of the gullies once more.

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 and time of next meeting :

The meeting will take place on Thursday 19th September 2024 at 7.30pm in the Supper Room in the Village Hall, Osmotherley