

WHORLTON PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT SWAINBY VILLAGE HALL, SWAINBY AT 7.30PM ON WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH 2019

PRESENT: Dolly Hannon, Steve Brisley, Howard Tribick and Rob Lemmon

ALSO PRESENT: Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Hugill, seven members of public attended the meeting.
Clerk: Angela Livingstone

18/129 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Apologies for absence had been received from Alistair Wright. There were no declarations of interest.

18/130 TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20TH FEBRUARY 2019

The minutes were proposed as correct by Cllr Lemmon and seconded by Cllr Tribick, these were duly signed by the Chair and the Clerk would add to the council website. **ACTION: Clerk**

18/131 PUBLIC FORUM –

18/131/1A resident handed letters to Councillors to be opened after the meeting.

18/131/2 The owner of the Blacksmiths Arms stated his annoyance at the parking situation due to the lack of parking space at The Rusty Bike. He informed that he had adhered to all of the conditions imposed and supplied adequate parking spaces, he stated that The Rusty Bike were contravening conditions and did not have required licences, this was still being progressed. Cllr Griffiths informed that a response should be received within 21 days. It was confirmed that this was being progressed by the National Parks. The Chair informed that she believed that there had been changes to the original application and was uncertain on conditions, she added that the Parish Council were not in a position to impose conditions, but had been discussing concerns on the parking situation. National Parks had been contacted to attempt to resolve parking issues. It had been identified that the land behind the café was county council land and the café owner had indicated a willingness to purchase additional land. The Parish Council would encourage this to resolve the parking issues. **ACTION :Chair**

18/132 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES There were no matters discussed arising from the previous minutes on 20th February 2019.

18/133 PLANNING APPLICATIONS - Councillors discussed applications received for the following residences:

- Scugdale Hall -various extension works. The residents had attended the meeting to answer any queries, Councillors discussed the application and agreed there was no impact to neighbours and that the Parish Council would support the application.
- 5 Claver Close – The Parish Council supported the application.

18/134 CLERKS AND CORRESPONDENCE REPORT - The Clerk had forwarded correspondence received:

21.2.19 Email from the Chair to Cllr Griffiths investigating land ownership, there had since been confirmation that the County Council did own the land behind the Rusty Bike. The owner of The Rusty Bike had previously indicated that he would be interested in obtaining more land, access would need to be from Blackhorse Lane, access could not be from the A172. Additional parking should be possible for 10 cars and it was presumed that there would be a covenant to allow only parking on the land. It was agreed that Cllr Griffiths would inform the Parish Council of the correct contact and the Chair would write a letter of support, adding that the National Parks had indicated that they would look favourably at the additional parking space. The Chair clarified that this had been the only space identified for parking at this side of the village. **ACTION: Chair**

Cllr Hugill entered the meeting.

22.2.19 Hambleton DC change of name and registration of property Mill Farm

1.3.19 Moors and Dales Trail Race notification – 14th April

2.3.19 notification of changes to planning application decision notices

4.3.19 NYCC planned road closure information

4.3.19 NYCC Ron Allan information re DMMO applications for restricted byways, The Chair had progressed the matter with a meeting with the Footpaths Officer from the County Council. Access points and use of areas was discussed and this was passed to Alan Pearson who was involved with the cycle questionnaire.

11.3.19 Standards Hearing panel – appointment confirmation

13.3.19 Rural Services network campaign information

15.3.19 YLCA information on PKF Littlejohn external audit arrangements

The Clerk informed that updates from White Rose and The Rural Bulletin had been forwarded. She questioned if any Councillor wished to receive updates from the CCG or Allerton Waste Recovery, there was no interest.

Details on insurance and YLCA renewal dates had been received. The Clerk informed that she would obtain alternative insurance quotes.

The Chair advised of correspondence from a resident. This informed of concerns of sightings of rats along the riverbank. Food left out for the ducks was felt to encourage the rats and the safety ducks was queried. The Chair had spoken with Pet Control at Hambleton Council and found the ducks should be safe from any rats. The resident had been responded to and Mr Beadle was asked to monitor. It was questioned if the animals seen could have been water voles. The Chair had been advised that it was illegal to trap or bait within 10m of a watercourse in order to protect the water voles.

A letter had been received from North Yorkshire Moors National Parks regarding signage issues at Church Lane, a site inspection was planned by a National Parks officer.

18/135 PLAYING FIELDS – No updates

18/136 POLICE REPORT – The Clerk informed that no report had been received, she had been contacted for details of the meeting and had believed that an officer would attend.

18/137 FINANCIAL MATTERS

18/137/1 The Clerk presented the financial report, which was approved by all members.

Monies paid		Amount	cheque no.
30.2.19	A Livingstone – Clerk salary February	265.95	direct
20.3.19	Oliver Cornforth – playing field maintenance	117.00	000829
Payments received			
25.2.19	Toilet donations	72.28	
25.2.19	NYMPA toilet grant back from Swainby PFA	1164.52	
Feb	interest in reserve account	0.97	

18/137/2 The Clerk confirmed that she had ensured that all financial details for the previous year were now accessible on the website.

18/137/3 Cllr Brisley informed that he had assessed the electricity usage for the toilets and following comparisons being checked had found British Gas giving the most competitive rate. All agreed Cllr Brisley would change supplier. **ACTION: Cllr Brisley**

18/137/4 The Chair challenged Cllr Tribick regarding an email relating to his concerns. Members expressed concern that previous decisions agreed by all councillors are now being questioned by one of the team. In regard to a point referring to the internal auditor, the need for this had been agreed at an earlier meeting, Councillors agreed that a request be sent to local residents for assistance on the small number of items involved.

ACTION: Chair

In answer to other concerns, Cllr Tribick was advised that information was provided monthly on the financial statement and all updates and support provided from Yorkshire Local Councils Association. Councillors agreed this approach was adequate to keep abreast of regulations.

18/138 PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE – nothing to report

18/139 PARISH PLAN – Cllr Tribick had forwarded the minutes from the recent public meeting. He informed that group meetings were going well with presentations to the Village Hall and the Parochial Church council. Other groups would be contacted and leaflets and door knocks were planned for May 2019. Cllr Brisley questioned who was funding the events. Cllr Tribick advised of current funding from coffee mornings and informed of a possible grant available through Hambleton CC for the ongoing costs.

18/140 TOILET BLOCK – The Chair advised that there was still no reply regarding the application.

18/141 ONGOING PROJECTS

18/141.1 Unclassified Highway – Cllr Wright would give an update at the April meeting.

18/142 COUNTY COUNCILLOR, DISTRICT COUNCILLOR AND PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

18/142/1 Cllr Griffiths informed that a new Highways Inspector was in post, he was very amenable to site visits. Following a query regarding pot holes, Cllr Griffiths informed that these could be reported online, by telephone or to himself.

18/142/2 Cllr Hugill informed that NYMNP had been awarded National Park of the Year by Country file. He asked that it was recorded that he did not get involved with governance at any Parish Council meetings. He stated that the access to the BMX track was muddy and the track surface eroded. The Chair agreed that this had been on the Playing Field Association agenda for some time.

18/143 MATTERS FOR REPORTING OR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA – Nothing advised.

18/144 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING The date of the next meeting was 17th April 2019 at 7.30pm

Adopted: _____ Date: _____

Chair of Whorlton Parish Council