

Minutes of the meeting of Weaverthorpe Parish Council held on 18th July 2016 in Weaverthorpe Village Hall

Present: G Downes, M Rowland, A Milner, S Taylor, F Shellard (Chair), J House (Clerk)

Apologies: G Perry, N Lattaway, J Mason, M Mitchell, T Thomson, J Fisher

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies for absence were noted and agreed as above.
2. **Matters to be raised by members of the public:** There was nothing to raise.
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 23 May 2016:** There had been a slight change to minutes in order to submit the Annual return to the external auditors, Section 7 was sub divided into 7.1, 7.2 etc. because a specific reference had to be noted in the return.
4. **Matters arising:** It was agreed by email that we will delay planting the hedge until the autumn. The Clerk has written to Cllr Sanderson and thanked her for her help in getting the grant, she has asked to be kept informed of progress.

For the record we also agreed by email to insure the street lights on an all risks basis following discovering that they were not insured.

Parking on the pavement seems to have improved following the piece in the Warbler.

5. **Finance:** The £400 for the Locality Grant (for the hedge) from NYCC was received on 1st June 2016.

There were two payments for approval:

HMRC £62.20 (already paid due to payment date of 19th July 2016)

Autela Payroll Services £23.00

These payments were approved by the Council.

After these two payments have been made, the bank balances are:

Current Account: £1288.62

Reserve Account: £4923.10

The Financial Regulations sent out by the Clerk on 26th April 2016 were reviewed by the Council and the following amendments were agreed:

3.2 Three year forecast was changed to one year forecast

It was agreed to delete sections 6.11 and 6.12 which referred to PIN numbers as the arrangements currently in place are considered to be secure and do not need recording in these regulations.

The Clerk informed the Council that he had received a telephone call from the external auditors asking for more information on the explanation of variances. This would be provided by email.

6. **Correspondence:** The annual review of the YLCA for 2015 / 16 has been received.

Email regarding a £600 community grant from RAY as a follow on to the Cold Snaps. Warm Homes project, As attendance at the meeting was low it was agreed that the Clerk would forward the email to all Councillors with a request that they give this some thought before the next meeting. We have also received the report, but because there was confidential information that should have been omitted, RAY plan to reissue it.

Notification that the RDC Community Grants Scheme has been relaunched.

Letter from the Pensions Regulator to inform us of actions as part of auto enrolment. We checked with the payroll provider and they will handle all the actions in the letter.

7. **Planning:** Two notifications of planning approval have been received:

Wesley Cottage – two storey extension

Fair View – single storey extension

Three applications to be considered:

Star Inn - conversion of garage into a disabled guest accommodation

September Cottage - demolition of outhouse and erection of a single garage

Land Adjacent to the Paddocks - application and plans for a three bedroom house

No objections were raised to any of these applications.

8. **Speeding:**

The Clerk has made two contacts regarding speeding in the last month.

The Clerk met PC Nick Coning who is our area police officer and appraised him of the situation. He is going to try and get a camera van on Main Road at some time. He cannot make any of our meeting dates and has proposed some alternatives. He has also put me in touch with the CaP group who have added the PC to their distribution list. Again as attendance was low it was agreed that the Councillors would be asked if they wanted to attend the CaP meeting in 5th September.

As advised the Clerk also met Julia Mulligan the Police and Crime Commissioner at her surgery in Scarborough on 6th July. Our situation was explained and she was reminded that she had suggested Community Speedwatch as a solution but despite her web site saying it is up and running, she admitted it is not. The first area it will be rolled out in is Richmondshire but only after NYP have recruited a co – ordinator for the project so it is unlikely to reach us for some time. She was apologetic and is disappointed by the amount of time it is taking to roll the programme out.

NYP do have more camera vans now and are purchasing some smaller units which will be based locally and are meant for deployment where there are specific problems such as this valley. She is going to investigate when they will be available and suggest that they have what she calls an Action Day.

There is also a local initiative in Elmsley which is in Craven district, led by the PCSO, where they operate their own community speedwatch, details will be obtained and forwarded to us.

Discussion ensued on the subject, as the harvest is coming up, what do we want to do about that, rely on our extra signs, provide reg. nos. to NYP or do as Jon Hunter suggested and purchase our own speed gun It was noted that the temporary traffic lights on Main Road are slowing the traffic, but this was only a temporary situation. It was agreed that the Clerk would have another conversation with PC Coning. In the meantime a convenient time would be set to put up our speed signs again. The Clerk was asked to look at the cost of portable traffic lights

9. **Defibrillator:** S Taylor reported that the lock has been fitted to the cabinet and the defibrillator has been installed. The Council recorded their thanks to J Fisher for allowing the installation on the Blue Bell Inn.

Two guardians need to be appointed to give YAS a point of contact when they receive calls for the use of the defibrillator. Once they receive the information that will trigger the training and putting the defibrillator into service. S Taylor and F Shellard will be the appointed guardians.

10. **Valley Group on Gypsy Race:** S Taylor reported that the valley group on the Gypsy Race had it's first meeting last week. S Taylor will raise the issue that we have with NYCC not clearing the culverts as promised, in Weaverthorpe.

11. Clerk's performance: The clerk left the meeting and the Council reviewed his performance. The Council agreed to move the Clerk's salary to SCP Grade 27 effective from 1st July 2016.

The meeting closed at 7.55.

Next meeting will be held on 19th September 2016