

Minutes from the Borrowby Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00 pm in Borrowby Village Hall

1.0 Apologies for absence

No apologies were received. Present: the Chairman (Cllr F Wachsberger), the Vice Chairman (Cllr D Craig), Cllr D Bell, Cllr J Dack, Cllr A Norfolk, the Clerk, County Cllr A Baker, District Cllr A Robinson and four members of the public.

2.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January, which were previously circulated, were agreed and signed after a small amendment to 3.3 – the money raised from the carol singing was ‘£145.00, but the value in food vouchers was £175.00’. The minutes were proposed by Cllr Bell and seconded by Cllr Norfolk.

3.0 Matters arising from the Minutes

3.1 Erosion of the road/potholes opposite the village hall – Highways have inspected the road and have put it on the list for capital funding- the defects do not currently meet NYCC intervention levels, but they will continue to monitor the area.

3.2 Path re-routing near Newburn. County Cllr A Baker said the issue with the path re-routing will need to be solved by following the legal procedures.

3.3 Damaged verge, Woundales – Highways have inspected the area and said that the verges have been over-run, possibly due to the two properties being developed near the bridge. The damage is not currently actionable, but they will continue to monitor.

3.4 Allerton Wath Road – sunken road section near bridge – Highways have inspected this section and it does not meet the criteria for current action.

4.0 Update from County and District Councillors if present

District Cllr A Robinson - He did not have any updates.

County Cllr A Baker - She said the Council are setting the budget next week and they will be putting council tax up to the maximum, 4.99%. When asked about the ‘levelling up’ council tax for the new Council she said this is an additional increase in council tax (to Hambleton residents) which would take place over two years. (Some Districts have an increase, others a decrease after the overall increase in 4.99% for everyone).

District Cllr A Robinson said he hopes the council tax increases will result in improvements to roads, etc.

County Cllr A Baker said she held a surgery at Easingwold and is holding a drop-in surgery Thirsk Auction mart on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

5.0 Update from Borrowby Parish Councillors

Cllr Dack – He said there is water running down the road/drive of ‘Parkdale Cottage’.

Cllr Bell said that the water board had investigated the leak, but it is on private property and they will repair it on their next visit and the resident will have to pay for it. District Cllr Robinson said that leaks after the stopcock are the responsibility of the resident.

Cllr Dack said the lamppost near West End Farm needs repairing as part of it had come loose. Cllr Dack will look up the lamppost number for reporting.

Cllr Dack said that the A19 slip road seems to be used as a stopping-off point sometimes and raises the fear of fly-tipping. To monitor. It was mentioned that the police sometimes carry out training on this section.

Cllr Bell – He said some of the drains were being jetted next week and this included the section just past Allerton Wath bridge.

## 6.0 Correspondence

- 6.1 North Yorkshire Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner - Spring newsletter.
- 6.2 Parish Council Liaison drop-in sessions- there is one in Northallerton on 9th February concerning local government re-organisation.
- 6.3 TP Jones & Co Llp – Increase in administrative fee for payroll services from £75.60 to £83.13 (the fee has not increased for five years).
- 6.4 Community-led housing - February newsletter.
- 6.5 Knayton Parish Council – Reply to Clerk’s query – they have no event planned for celebrating the Coronation at present. Any events are usually organised by the village hall committee.
- 6.6 Dash UK Ltd – Coronation mugs/coasters available to purchase.
- 6.7 SLCC – National Planning Policy Framework is being updated.
- 6.8 Image playgrounds advert.
- 6.9 London Hearts Defibrillators advert.
- 6.10 Allerton Waste Recovery Park newsletter.
- 6.11 Smartweelie.co.uk – advert for speed limit signs stickers for bins.
- 6.12 BHIB Insurance – Risk assessment template for Coronation events.

## 7.0 Planning Applications

- Construction of dormer window and porch and installation of gable window and rooflights at Pinfold Cottage for Mr & Mrs Laws (23/00101/FUL). No objections.

## Planning Decisions

- Approval for replacement of existing UPVC windows with timber windows for Mr Thomas Selmes (22/02704/FUL).

## 8.0 Finance

The grass cutting quotation for CE & CM Walker for the next season will be: £48.00 & VAT per cut for the Green and £125.00 & VAT for the verges, £207.60 total. (Last season it was £45.00 plus VAT and £115.00 & VAT for the verges, £189.60 total). The Parish Council agreed to accept the quotation. Clerk to contact grass cutters.

Village Broadacres Seat replacement – to contact Broadacres for an update on the seat funding application. Cllr Bell has looked at some seats which may be suitable.

## 9.0 Any Other Business

9.1 Coronation weekend – To contact village hall with a view to organising a joint celebratory event.

## 10.0 Open Forum

10.1 It was said that a hedge is overgrown at the Woundales, although it is thought to be on private land. The Chairman suggested taking a photo and looking to see if it needs reporting.

## 11.0 Date of next Meeting

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and said the next meeting is on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 8.00 pm. The meeting was closed at 9.10 pm.