

Minutes from the Borrowby Parish Council Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 8.00 pm in Borrowby Village Hall

1.0 Apologies

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 and six members of the public.

2.0 Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20th April, which were previously circulated, were agreed and signed.

3.0 Matters Arising

3.1 It was mentioned that the hedge at Wildcroft had been cut.

3.2 Cllr Bell said that the hedge on Park Lane opposite him still needs cutting. He had recently seen and asked the resident again. It was said that it was getting dangerous as tractors were driving in the middle of the road to avoid the overgrown hedge. To pursue again with North Yorkshire Councillor Alyson Baker.

3.3 Additional streetlighting – await reply from the Council after having followed it up again.

3.4 Drains – These have all been cleared now.

4.0 Chairman's Report up to May 2023

The Chairman said that things had gradually returned to normal following the pandemic. He said the grass has been cut regularly and the village was looking good. The signs had been put up in the village the year before last. He said the main issue had been opposing the egg factory application; Thornton-Le-Beans Parish Council had raised their precept to hire experts to assist with objections last year and have raised it again this year in case of an appeal. The Chairman had spoken to Tim Wood from HDC planning who confirmed that only the evidence already submitted was being looked at by the inspector during an appeal; Borrowby did not raise their precept for a possible appeal and if any future funding was deemed necessary it would be sought by voluntary contributions. He said Borrowby would be affected if the application went ahead re smells and traffic/diversions. Many people from the village and Borrowby Parish Council had put forward their objections and he had spoken to voice the Parish Council's objections at the Planning Meeting when the application was heard. Cllr Bell said that he understood that the appeal will be heard on 25<sup>th</sup> July.

The Chairman said that the Coronation celebrations in the village a few weeks ago had been a success.

5.0 Coronation event

A Coronation celebration event was organised between the Village Hall and the Parish Council, and it had gone very well. The Chairman said that bacon sandwiches and refreshments were served on the Saturday morning with lots of volunteers helping to whom he sends his thanks. The road opposite the village hall was closed for the day and some games were organised on the Green. There was an evening event too and all went well. He suggested holding a joint event more often. Cllr Bell said it would be good if some of the younger residents got involved.

6.0 Parish Councillor Roles:

Acceptance of Resignation of Parish Cllr Duncan Craig

Parish Councillor Duncan Craig tendered his resignation from the Parish Council from the end of the meeting and it was accepted by the Parish Councillors. The Chairman thanked

him for all the effort he had put in during his time as a Parish Councillor. Cllr Dack said the Parish Council had benefitted greatly from his expertise.

### Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

In his capacity of stepping down Cllr Craig asked if Cllr Wachsberger was willing to stand again as Chairman and he agreed. The rest of the Parish Council unanimously seconded Cllr Wachsberger to continue as Chairman.

Cllr Bell proposed Cllr Dack as Vice Chairman which he accepted, and this was seconded by the Chairman, Cllr Wachsberger.

### 7.0 Update from North Yorkshire Councillors if present

Not present.

### 8.0 Update from Borrowby Parish Councillors

Cllr Bell said that the new village seats had been put in place. The brass plate had been transferred to one of the new seats.

Cllr Norfolk said that the grass cutting had been a bit disappointing. Clerk to see if an extra cut can be fitted in.

Cllr Craig – He said regarding the sewage works there was only a small odour when the slurry tank is agitated but apart from that the odour problem seems to be largely solved.

### 9.0 Correspondence

9.1 Community First Yorkshire update.

9.2 Community-led Homes Roadshow – newsletter and notification of even in Northallerton Town Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> June.

9.3 North Yorkshire Council Community Awards information.

9.4 North Yorkshire Council Chief Executive – Local Government Review (LGR) Partner Update.

### 10.0 Planning Applications

- Appeal letter from the applicant regarding the refusal of planning permission for the egg factory by North Yorkshire Council. No dates given yet for the appeal hearing.
- Holly Brook Cottage - Proposed detached garage/store to replace existing one For Mr N Whitley (ZB23/01084/FUL). To reply with no objections.

### 11.0 Finance

#### 11.1 Financial Report – Approve Annual Accounts: Approved and signed.

The Clerk said the closing balance for 2022 - 2023 including CIL monies and the defibrillator fund is £7555. The Clerk said the payment for the purchase of the two seats would be in next year's accounts (£638). A £500 grant had been awarded by Broadacres for the replacement Broadacres seat and plantings – Cllr Bell suggested some bulbs. The finances include a two and a half-year tax return which is slightly higher than previous amounts due to the cost of the village hall car park. The CIL monies have now been used up with the purchase of one of the replacement village seats. New pads and batteries were purchased using the defibrillator fund there is £77.74 remaining. The cost of the Jubilee coins last year for the younger children of the village had been £500 but £150 was donated by the village hall and £150 in donations from the excess coins.

#### 11.2 Approve Annual Return

- Approve part 1: Approved and signed.
- Approve part 2: Approved and signed.

### 11.3 Review Fixed Assets Register

The fixed assets register from 2022 was revised, approved, and signed without any changes.

### 11.4 Annual Review of Clerk's Honorarium

To remain the same.

### 11.5 Cheque Transactions

Deposit: (Precept 2023 -2024) £4,500

#### Cheques written out:

Internal Audit fee	£150.00
CE & CM Walker Ltd (Grass cutting April)	£207.60

### 11.6 Update on the CIL fund

Two seats have been purchased: the replacement seat using the Broadacres grant and the second seat using the remaining CIL money (£258.40) towards the cost. The CIL monies have now been spent.

### 12.0 Any Other Business

12.1 Cllr Bell said the banking is eroding down the bottom part of Back Lane and soil is washing into the road and down the grates during wet weather. Clerk to report.

### 13.0 Open Forum

13.1 It was said that the traffic warden was out one morning near the school/bank. The parking problem of cars parked adjacent to the double white lines continues.

### 14.0 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 22nd June at 8.00 pm in the village hall. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.20 pm.