Minutes from the Borrowby Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at 8.00 pm in Borrowby Village Hall

1.0 Apologies

Apologies were received from Parish Cllr James Dack. Present: The Chairman (Cllr Fred Wachsberger), Cllr Derek Bell, Cllr Ashley Norfolk, Cllr Neil Whitley, the Clerk, County Cllr Alyson Baker and three members of the public.

2.0 Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16th November 2023, which were previously circulated, were agreed and signed after an amendment at 5.0, to read: 'Sam Turner' (omit '& son'), proposed by Cllr Bell and seconded by Cllr Whitley.

3.0 Matters Arising from the minutes

- 3.1 Item 6 County Cllr Baker asked if the footpaths had been reported following an individual concern or from contacts by residents? Cllr Whitley said that it was both. C Cllr Baker said that they are encouraging individuals to report issues on the portal before approaching the Parish Council as more reports can have a better impact.
- 3.2 Cllr Whitley attended the HRAP AGM (3.2) and agreed to join the committee.
- 3.3 Additional lighting near school (8.1) C Cllr Baker will follow up.

4.0 Update from North Yorkshire Councillor if present

Cllr A Baker said that the use of existing public phones should be encouraged where possible as they need to be used 52 times a year to be retained.

Northern Powergrid encourage the registering of anyone vulnerable in the event of a power outage.

She said a home upgrade grant was available (income of less than £31,000 p/a). Cllr Baker is holding a surgery at the Galtres Centre on Friday.

There will be various road closures for works: Sutton Bank; Sandy Bank, Northallerton (Yorkshire Water); Crosby New Bridge (6 weeks) on Allerton Wath Road. The Chairman said that Highways didn't take into account road closures on Allerton Wath road (and unsuitable diversions) when doing their report for the egg factory planning application. He said Highways should take issues like this into consideration for future applications. Locality budget grant – she said the HRAP were applying for this.

The Chairman spoke about the Council offices not being fully occupied due to working from home and said the building should be sold off or rented out to save money. County Cllr Baker said that high costs are predominantly for social care.

She said there are bra banks for donations of old bras for sending abroad.

5.0 Update from Borrowby Parish Councillors

<u>Cllr Bell</u> asked the Clerk to write a letter of thanks to Mr Chapman for providing the Christmas tree for Borrowby free of charge and said a tree would be available for the Parish Council next year.

He said Highways jetted the drain below his house on Park Lane – part of it on the right-hand side is still blocked and will need doing again. They also jetted further down. Cllr Bell said Back Lane had been closed for works (resurfacing/electricity pole). He said that there is water across the footpath to the school. Cllr N Whitley said that there have been several complaints regarding the flooded footpath and people are having to walk along the road. It is understood the Highways authority have said it is not their responsibility. The water board are also investigating. Cllr Whitley suggested contacting Knayton Parish Council about the problem. The Chairman is attending the Area2 meeting and said he will raise the issue then.

6.0 Neighbourhood Plan discussion

To be discussed at the next meeting.

7.0 Correspondence

7.1 North Yorkshire Council:

- North Yorkshire plan launch event 5/12 & link to presentation slides.
- North Yorkshire Finance Precept requirement by end December.
- North Yorkshire Paths Acknowledgement of receipt of Clerk's report on overgrowth and poor footfall around footpaths near the lower part of the village.
- Consultation up to 11th December re online services: green bin subscriptions/requirements for bulky waste collection/bin collection calendar

7.2 Area 2 Highways:

- Notification of road closure, Back Lane, 28/11/23 29/11/23.
- Notification of road closure of Allerton Wath road for bridge deck replacement works at Crosby new bridge for 6 weeks commencing on 19th February.
- 7.3 North Yorkshire & York Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS). Webinar 21/11/23.
- 7.4 Village Hall Outside socket box for Christmas tree lights replaced as water had leaked in the old one.

8.0 Planning Applications

- 8.1 Demolition of existing single storey rear offshoots, including partial demolition of side of shed, to allow for proper single storey extensions, rear and side, at Hill View, Knayton, for Mr & Mrs B Gibbs (2B23/02342/FUL). Parish Council has no objections.
- 8.2 Permission granted for the above, as amended by revised plans of 05/01/24, at Hill View, Knayton, for Mr & Mrs Barry Gibbs (ZB23/02342/FUL).
- 8.3 Application to re-route footpath away from residential property and its garden at Newburn (NO10/16/9). Parish Council has no objections.
- 8.4 Construction of replacement stable building at OS field 6771, Bob Lane, for Mr P Nee (ZB23/02605/FUL). The plans look like a similar replacement stable to existing, hence the Parish Council has no objections.

9.0 Finance

Cheques written out:

Clerk's Salary £350.00
Borrowby Village Hall £30.00
Tree works (Mr N Walker) £960.00

10.0 Any Other Business

There was no further business.

11.0 Open Forum

11.1 It was said that a sign relating to the egg factory plans is still up at the crossroads – Cllr Bell to follow up.

12.0 Date of Next Meeting

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