

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WOLD NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 16TH JANUARY 2023

PRESENT: Councillor Nicola Walker (Chairman), Councillor Gil Robinson, Councillor Chris West, Councillor Iain Botterill. Councillor Susan Bridges, Councillor Kerry Lockett. Parishioner Robinson.

In attendance Councillor Jane Evison

ITEM 1 – Apologies and Declarations of Interest.

Councillor Dr Marion Meeson (Vice Chairman).

ITEM 2 – Minutes and matters arising from the meeting held on Monday 28th November 2022.

Details of the discussions regarding the play equipment and removal of omitted.

Minutes then signed and dated as a true and correct record of events.

ITEM 3 – Correspondence Communications received since our previous meeting.

- Positive Action Grant – Circulated to Committee, Facebook and website
- Driffield and Rural Ward Update – Circulated to Committee and website
- Our News – Neighbourhood Watch – Circulated to the Committee and added to the website
- Review of the Ryedale Plan – Circulated to the Committee and added to the website
- Kings Coronation Community Fund Grant – Circulated to the Committee

Kings Coronation Community Fund – further details to follow on this when finalised. Committee suggested organising a meeting with the Community Centre Committee once further information was obtained – add to next meeting's Agenda.

Councillor Botterill commented that correspondence had been received regarding the cost of the Christmas lighting. The e-mail and table received was somewhat confusing, the Clerk had e-mailed for further information and had received a note back saying the figures were in the Parish Councils favour. Councillor Botterill was concerned that we would receive an invoice for this at some point. Councillor Evison advised to wait until something was actually received before anything is done.

ITEM 4 –Public Forum – Residents Views and Comments

Parishioner Robinson asked if there was any update or confirmation from the Council with regard to the reduced cost of the lighting due to new LED lights. Unfortunately, no new information other than already discussed has been received. He also commented that the lamp post 'No 4' had had its post replaced but was still the old lamp head which was at a funny level and questioned if all the lights had now been changed to LED's. Councillor Evison was going to check as there still may be 1 or 2 outstanding and also report the 'No 4' lamp post.

ITEM 5 – Precept

Unfortunately Councillor Meeson (Treasurer) was unable to attend the meeting but had been kind enough to forward a recommendation for what the Precept be set at along with the reasoning behind the suggestion. She had questioned the cost of the invoice received from the Church as this had increased from last year, however Councillor West explained that the cost of cutting the grass had increased and there had been further costs incurred for various other maintenance works at the church.

The suggestion from the Precept was £7,200 and with all in favour this is what will be confirmed to the East Riding of Yorkshire Council by the Clerk.

ITEM 6 – Planning Consultation for 22/04055/TCA – Bay Tree Farm
No objections received.

ITEM 7 – Benches

Everyone is happy with the current installations. Councillor Botterill asked in if the bench on the road out of Foxholes required replacement. Councillor Robinson commented that he had renovated a bench and this could possibly be a replacement for that bench. He was in need of some black paint to complete the and asked if anyone had any available, Councillors Lockett and Walker thought Shelia at the Pub may have some and were going to enquire, if not Councillor Bridges thought she may have some that could be used.

ITEM 8 – Geese

There has been little evidence of the geese on the pond in recent weeks and with no one in attendance to give feedback on the humane route for removing them it was decided that this item would be rolled over to the next meeting.

ITEM 9 – HWRA Membership

No further details received regarding this and no more evidence of incentives for use being members. It was decided to leave for the time being and might possibly be something to discuss again in the future.

ITEM 10 – Gypsy Race

Councillor Botterill has been in discussions with Steve Charlton from the ERYC regarding this and the possibility of the Riparian owners undertaking a joint venture to dredge their individual parts. As with most things there is more to this than meets with eye with various criteria to fill. An ecological survey needs to be completed first and this was scheduled to be done the day of the meeting (16th January 2023). Councillor Botterill was going to continue to chase, monitor and provide feedback.

It was reported the debris under the bridge that was discussed in the November meeting was still there despite being reported. Councillor Evison was going to chase its removal. Councillor Botterill also commented that although the initial works to the bridge looked good, on a further more detailed look the concrete slab on the top appeared to be degrading at an alarming rate. Councillor Evison was going to report this.

ITEM 11 – Area of Outstanding Beauty

The map and supporting paragraph concerning this from the Parish Council has now been submitted and confirmation of its receipt received. There is no more we can do regarding this at present and will be discussed further at a later date.

ITEM 12 – Grants

A letter has been received regarding a grant for celebrating the Kings Coronation which will be available. The details of the grant will be published later and it was therefore decided to add this to the next meetings Agenda and also possibly arrange to meet with the Community Centre Committee.

ITEM 13 - Accounts to Pay

Councillor Meeson not in attendance and no further accounts received.

ITEM 14 - Any of the Business

Councillor Botterill expressed his disappointment in the closure of Bridlington Road since before Christmas. Although people still do use the road it is officially closed with no date as to when the repairs will take place and the road will officially reopen. Alternative routes offered are also in a poor state of repair and difficult for larger vehicles to negotiate. There are many large vehicles pass through the village and it is becoming increasingly dangerous for pedestrians and other motorists with them mounting kerbs and meeting other large vehicles in this area.

It was discussed that it was simply not good enough to leave this stretch of road closed for such a long period. Councillor Evison suggested that we write a strongly worded e-mail to Carl Skelton at ERYC with the Parish Councils thoughts with regard to the stretch of road on Bridlington Road and the poor alternative routes available with also require urgent attention. She would also speak with them regarding this to further back our case.

Action – Clerk to e-mail Carl Skelton regarding this.

Councillor Botterill asked it to be minuted that he would not be standing for re-election as a Councillor in May.

Councillor West had received reports of several incidents with people encountering difficulties with travelling down Rainsburgh Lane and loose dogs who had shown varying levels of aggression. Residents have been put of walking down the Lane because of them and residents should not have their enjoyment of walking areas tarnished. It was suggested that a letter could be sent from the Parish Council expressing the concerns of the community and asking them to keep the dogs under control.

Action – Councillor West to provide name and details with the Clerk writing a letter to the resident.

Councillor Walker expressed concern that parents/guardians collecting children from school were still using both sides of the road to park near the Pub despite a message already been sent. When people park on both sides of the road vision is reduced for pedestrians. Councillor Lockett was going to ask the school again to speak to parents regarding this.

Date of the next meeting The next meeting will be Monday 27th February 2023 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm

Chairman..... Zoe Warters, Parish Clerk, 19th November 2023

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