

GUNTHWAITE AND INGBIRCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 25th JANUARY 2023, 7.30 PM, FOUNTAIN VILLAGE PUB FUNCTION ROOM

PRESENT; Councillors Edmondson, Guest, Berry, Ogden; A. Murphy (Clerk)

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE.

Resolved – Council approved the stated reasons for the absence of Councillor Karle.

2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

Noted – no declarations made.

3. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14TH DECEMBER 2022.

Resolved – subject to a correction to item 1 (approval of reasons for absence of Councillor Guest had been omitted in error), the minutes were confirmed as accurate and signed by the Chairman.

4. TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON ANY ONGOING ISSUES.

4.1 RESPONSE FROM SPEED CAMERA SURVEY, THEY ARE CHANGING THEIR SURVEY METHODOLOGY, SO THE COUNCIL'S REQUEST IS ON HOLD. EXISTING DATA THEY HOLD SHOWS THAT THE LEVELS OF SPEEDING ON THE A629 THAT MEET THEIR ENFORCEMENT CRITERIA IS HAPPENING DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS OR OUTSIDE CURRENT ENFORCEMENT HOURS (10PM). CLERK HAS EMAILED A MEMBER OF SY POLICE IN BARNSELY WEST TEAM, NO RESPONSE YET.

Noted.

5. TO ADJOURN THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING TO RECEIVE COMMENT AND QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS.

Noted – member of public present discussed their proposal for a community running event starting near Ingbirchworth reservoir and going via the public roads above the village. The event would be in late summer. Member of public wished to use Ingbirchworth recreation field for giving out medals, t-shirts, water etc. Councillors thought the overall idea was a good one, and would like to see more detail about how the parking will be managed to minimise disruption in the village

6. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING.

Noted – no applications received.

7. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO PARKING ON WELLTHORNE LANE.

Noted - Councillor Berry stated that the meeting arranged with Yorkshire Water was postponed by them. The meeting will be re-scheduled.

8. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS (CONCURRENT WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS) ON MAY 4TH, 2023.

Noted - Publicity materials are being provided by the YLCA to encourage residents to stand for election to their Parish Council. The application forms will be available in March via the Clerk.

Resolved – Clerk will publicise the elections on the community Facebook group and print off some posters for the noticeboard.

9. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE NEWLY PLANTED PLATINUM JUBILEE FRUIT TREE ORCHARD IN THE RECREATION FIELD AND PROPOSALS FOR A NEW BENCH TO COMMEMORATE THE CORONATION OF HM KING CHARLES III.

Resolved – Councillor Guest will get some up-to-date cost quotes for the bench plus delivery lead times to the Council. Councillor Edmondson has not had a response about the bespoke plaque yet so will follow it up.

10. TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACES.

10.1 TO NOTE THAT ALL 'END OF PROJECT' REPORTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO SOUTH YORKSHIRE COMMUNITY FUND (BLACKSTONE EDGE) AND PENISTONE WARD ALLIANCE AS A CONDITION OF RECEIVING THE GRANTS TOWARDS THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ACCESSIBLE FOOTPATH TO THE RECREATION FIELD.

Noted.

10.2 TO NOTE THAT THE NEW FOOTPATH HAS A GUARANTEE AGAINST FAULTY WORKMANSHIP FOR FIVE YEARS (FROM THE CONTRACTOR KB INDUSTRIES UK), AND THAT THE PATH IS INSURED WITH THE COUNCIL'S INSURERS FOR ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE.

Noted.

10.3 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS ABOUT FINDING A HANDYPERSON FOR VILLAGE MAINTENANCE JOBS PREVIOUSLY DONE BY VOLUNTEERS.

Noted – Clerk had three responses all from experienced tradespeople who live in the village or close by. Resolved - Councillor Edmondson will create a task list of repair and maintenance work prior to engaging a tradesperson. Council agreed an hourly rate of £15 per hour for labour.

10.4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS ABOUT FINDING A GARDENER FOR VILLAGE STRIMMING/WEEEDING/PLANTING JOBS PREVIOUSLY DONE BY VOLUNTEERS.

Noted – there is a resident who works as a gardener who can take on this work. Resolved - Councillor Edmondson will create a gardening task list, to include looking after the fruit tree orchard.

11. TO CONSIDER MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO BMBC HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY.

Noted – Councillor Berry noted that re-surfacing of Wellthorne Lane is planned for Saturday 4th March.

12. TO CONSIDER MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES.

Resolved – Clerk to purchase two more litter pickers for use in the village.

13. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER CRIME AND SAFETY MATTERS.

Noted – no matters raised.

14. FINANCIAL MATTERS

14.1 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE PRECEPT AMOUNT FOR 2023.

Resolved – precept of £6500 for 2023/24 was agreed. Clerk to write to BMBC Finance officer with the agreed figure.

14.2 TO RECEIVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND NOTE INCOME RECEIVED.

Accounts for payment

25.01	#706	BL Lonestar Ltd	Hire of Fountain function room 25 th January 2023	£30.00
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25.01	#707	BL Lonestar Ltd	Replacement for uncashed cheque# 683 (hire of room for meeting June 2022)	£30.00
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Income received

30.12	NatWest Bank	Interest	£5.27
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Debit card account payments made by Clerk

19.12	Stephenson's IT Support	Council laptop software fix	£49.00
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17.01	Microsoft	MS365 software annual subscription	£59.99
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14.3 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE BANK RECONCILIATION REPORT TO DECEMBER 30TH.

Resolved – bank reconciliation verified and bank balance of £12,225.36 recorded.

14.4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE BUDGET MONITOR REPORT TO 25TH JANUARY.

Noted – no comments made.

14.5 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ACCOUNTS PAID BY DEBIT CARD BY THE CLERK, COUNCILLORS TO SIGN AND DATE THE PAYMENT CONFIRMATION SLIP TO CONFIRM NO DOUBLE PAYMENTS MADE.

Resolved – payments checked and approved.

15. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

15.1 YLCA WHITE ROSE UPDATES/LAW AND GOVERNANCE BULLETINS (DEC/JAN)

15.2 BMBC MONITORING OFFICER ABOUT PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS ON MAY 4TH, 2023

15.3 FROM A MEMBER OF PUBLIC ABOUT RUNNING A COMMUNITY PROJECT, POSSIBLY USING THE RECREATION FIELD.

15.4 FROM DEFIB STORE ABOUT COST OF POLYCARBONATE CABINETS IN CASE EXISTING ONES NEED REPLACING.

Noted – cost provided was £399 plus VAT excluding installation which must be done by BMBC. Cabinets may just need some rust spot and paint treatment for now.

15.5 FROM PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL ABOUT CLOSED ROAD RALLY IN THE WIDER PENISTONE AREA IN DECEMBER 2023.

Noted – Parish Council was not formally consulted about this although some of the communication sent out by Penistone Town Council gives this impression.

16. MEETING DATES

16.1 TO CONFIRM THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING DATE AS WEDNESDAY MARCH 8TH, 2023.

Resolved – next meeting will be held on Wednesday March 8th, 2023.