

## Kirk Deighton Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting of Kirk Deighton Parish Council held at 7 pm on 10 November 2020

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) Regulations 2020 this meeting was held remotely

#### **Present**

Kirk Deighton Parish Councillors: David Richardson (Chair), Penny Warneken, Rosie Wilson and David Halpin

Cllr Andrew Paraskos – HBC & NYCC Ward Councillor Nancy Fairbairn (Clerk)

#### **20.71 To receive apologies**

None

**20.72 The minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 8 September 2020** were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.

#### **20.73 Public Participation**

None

#### **20.74 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

None

#### **20.75 Chair's Report**

a) A resident has raised concerns about issues with blocked gullies and drains, a fallen tree on Mark Lane and the quality of grass cutting. Cllr Paraskos advised the NYCC Highways are now be back on track with routine clearance of gullies and drains. The Chair noted that although blocked drains can be reported on line this must be done individually and can be time consuming. It was noted that the tree on Mark Lane was removed very quickly following the intervention of Cllr Paraskos. Grass cutting to be dealt with under agenda item 9.4

b) HBC have distributed a flyer about the proposed Green Hammerton/Cattal development. Residents are able to respond individually to the consultation.

c) A resident has raised concerns with HBC about an application for a licence for a Camping and Caravan Club Certified Campsite at Ingmanthorpe Grange. The council is supporting the residents in relation to this.

d) The Remembrance Day Service was cancelled due to COVID-19. A wreath was laid in the church on behalf of the council.

e) Repairs to All Saints' Church Clock. The repair costs will be £1220 +VAT. The PCC have responded to the council's letter but have not made a formal request for funding. It was agreed in principal that the council would contribute towards the cost of repairs, the sum to be agreed once it is known how much of a shortfall there will be following fundraising. Cllr Halpin agreed to take the lead in this issue which will be included in the next council newsletter

#### **20.76 Clerk's Report**

No addition issues to report on.

#### **20.77 Ward Councillor's report**

a) Cllr Paraskos has circulated information about the proposed Unitary Council. Parishes will be involved in the consultation in early in 2021.

#### **20.78 Planning – to consider planning applications and note decisions received from HBC**

##### **20.78.1 Decided**

20/01472/FUL Demolition of conservatory, erection of single storey extension and alteration to fenestration at Verne Cottage, High Street, Kirk Deighton. Approved

### 20.78.2 Applications

None

### 20.78.3 Enforcement

None

It was noted that there have been problems with responses from the council not being published on the HBC Planning Portal. Cllr Paraskos agreed to raise this with HBC Planning Department.

## 20.79 Safer Neighbourhood and Village Matters

### 20.79.1 Crime report

Figures from [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk) record the following crimes:

August 1 vehicle crime

1 assault

September 1 assault

**20.79.2** It was **resolved** to approve a donation of £30.00 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Fund for a Remembrance Day Wreath. This expenditure is incurred under Sec 137 LGA 1972

**20.79.3 Internal Report** The report is awaited from the internal auditor. There has been a delay as documents were not received by the auditor and the clerk will follow this up.

**20.79.4 Grass cutting.** It was **resolved** to retrospectively approve an additional grass cut by Pullans as a cost of £331.06 + VAT. A resident had raised concerns about the quality of grass cutting. The Chair inspected the verges following the last cut and confirmed that the work had been undertaken to a high standard. It was agreed that the Chair would thank Pullans for the high standard of the final grass cut. It was **resolved** to include in the budget the option of an additional grass cut per annum if required.

**20.79.5 Telephone box** It was **resolved** to adopt the telephone phone box which has now been decommissioned as a cost of £1.00. It was agreed to include in the Newsletter a request for ideas for repurposing the telephone box. Repair and maintenance costs will need to be included in the 2021/22 budget.

**20.79.6 Commemorative Bench.** It was **resolved** to approve the following costs of a commemorative bench for the late David Scurah to be sited on Mark Lane.

Ground works	£ 400.00
Bench	£ 482.00
Plaque	£ 98.00
Carriage	£ 77.00
Bolt down kit	£ 40.00
Total	£1097.00 +VAT

It was **resolved** to remove the damaged bench on Mark Lane.

**20.79.7 Spring bulbs** The snowdrop bulbs supplied by HBC and some of the tulip bulbs donated by Pullans have been planted in the verges on Main Street and at the top of Ashdale Lane. There are still some tulip bulbs left and councillors were asked to let the Chair know if there are any verges where the remaining bulbs can be planted.

**20.79.8 Christmas Tree** Pullans have agreed to donate and install a Christmas Tree. NYCC Street Lighting will install the electricity connection from the street lamp adjacent to the bus shelter and Pullans have confirmed that the verge by the bus shelter is suitable for the tree. It was **resolved** to purchase tree lights up to a cost of £480.00 and cables/connectors up to a cost of £100.00

**20.79.9 Traffic calming** North Yorkshire Police have undertaken a speed analysis survey on Main Street, Kirk Deighton. This did not identify any issues with speeding. Average speeds were 14 mph and, given there is no history of accidents at the location, the police will not be taking any further action. No speed checks have been undertaken on Mark Lane. NYCC Highways requires a speed check to be undertaken before they will consider any traffic calming measures. The council can fund speed checks at a cost of £120.00 per location. Once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted Cllr Paraskos will ask for a Highways Engineer to undertake a site inspection and advise in relation to traffic calming measures.

Cllr Halpin raised concerns about cars parked on the road just before School House Terrace. Although legally parked they are a potential hazard. In addition, cars parked along Main Street are a potential hazard as there is not enough room for two cars to pass each other. A resident has noted that many villages around Wetherby now have 20mph speed limits however these areas come under LCC which has a different policy in relation to 20mph limits. Cllr Paraskos advised that NYCC were only considering new 20mph limits around schools

**20.79.10 Bellway Estate** The Better Wetherby Partnership are raising with LCC, HBC and Bellway Homes the obligation, which was part of the planning consent, to install landscaping along the boundary of the development. The Better Wetherby Partnership are concerned that Bellway Homes will not comply with the landscaping requirements and are working to ensure that the work is completed. The Chair thanked Eric Cowen and the Better Wetherby Partnership for their work in relation to this. Cllr Paraskos agreed to raise the issue with HBC Planning Department

**20.79.11 Emails/website hosting** There have been ongoing issues with council emails not being received and delivered. This was due to migration to a different server. PCCrew advised that the migration has now been completed but there is an outstanding issue with the GoDaddy account which the clerk was instructed to resolve.

**20.79.13 Bus stop electricity supply** North Yorkshire Street Lighting have agreed to take over the contract. Npower have been advised of this and the final bills are awaited.

**20.79.14 2021/22 budget** The budget and precept request will need to be agreed at the January meeting. Cllrs were asked to notify the clerk of any items to include in the 2021/22 budget.

**20.80 Financial Matters**

**20.80.1** The following receipts were noted:

Harrogate Borough Council - Precept	£2,992.00
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**20.80.2** It was **resolved** to approve payments the following payments made since 8 September 2020

Payee	Net	Vat	Total	Sec 137
Pullan's – grass cutting July & August 2020	£662.12	£132.42	£794.54	
Clerk – reimbursement for Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	£ 30.00		£ 30.00	£ 30.00
Pullan's grass cutting September 2020	£331.06	£66.21	£397.27	
Clerk – reimbursement BT Payphones	£1.00		£1.00	

**20.80.3** The bank reconciliations and Management report to date were received

**20.81** The date of the next meeting was noted to be Tuesday 12 January 2021. Any report or agenda items or to be with the clerk by Wednesday 6 January 2021. It was noted that this meeting may take place via video conferencing if the coronavirus restrictions still apply.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20.58

Signed.....

Chair

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