

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
Held remotely by Zoom on Thursday, 6 May 2021 at 7.00 pm
(This is due to the COVID-19 Pandemic when meetings cannot be held Face to Face)

Present: Councillors Clark (SC-in the Chair), Emmison (BE), Appleton (SA), Haynes (CH), Smith (MS), Wilkinson-Mudd (MWM), Robinson (KR), Gregory (JG) and West (KW – Pocklington Provincial). One member of the public Canon Valerie Hewetson (VH).

Apologies: Received from Councillor Dexter (GD).

Declaration of Interest from members on any item to be discussed: None.

Footpath between Keldspring Lane and Barmby Road - Invitation to Canon Revd. Valeria Hewetson to speak was agreed by members, about a footpath between Keldspring Lane and Barmby Road B1246. VH reported that there are very few places for walkers to walk in the parish, especially at this time during the pandemic. The old runway, has been well used locally since WW2 but has recently been closed at both ends. VH is therefore asking if the PC can intervene and help in returning it to a walk way? MWM & KR said it was probably to prevent trespassers and fly tipping etc. SC confirmed the runway is not a registered public footpath or bridle way, but the PC will look into VH's proposal. ***VH then left the meeting.*** After a discussion KR agreed to have a word with the farmer to ask why the walkway has been closed. JG suggested the Public Rights of Way Officer be invited to a future meeting.

Minutes: to approve the minutes of PC meeting held on 22 April 2021, proposed by SA to be a true record, seconded by MS and carried.

Clerk's report – nothing to report being so close to the previous meeting.

Report from Pocklington Provincial Councillors:

New Leader of the ERY Council – KW had little to report, except ER now has a new Leader, Councillor Jonathan Owen who has taken over from Councillor Richard Burton.

Matters arising from previous meetings:

Play Park – BE has spoken to the neighbours of the PP, who are pleased the PC respected their wishes not to install picnic benches. Clerk pointed out the village seat in the PP, together with another seat in Main Street need attention. It was agreed to get in touch with the Handyman.

Community Speed watch – BE confirmed the team are working several times a week, with Police support. There are over 300 + vehicles using Main Street each hour, and generally vehicles are travelling slower. Four more volunteers are keen to be trained.

Speed reduction, Main Street, Back Lane, Beck Side and Sutton Lane – waiting for update from the Traffic Management Team after traffic survey.

Briarsfield parking – ERYC Officers agreed to on-site meeting once the traffic survey has been received.

Flat Lane and The School– complaints received about state of grass verges near The Orchard, Flat Lane and concerns about traffic safety during school pickup and drop off times. Cllr. West is liaising with Highways. A local resident Lydia Edwards has organised a petition on-line which has been forwarded to members.

Tree Works at Beck Side and Main Street for PC – three quotations received, members agreed to accept the one from Lewis Tree Surgeons which includes tree pruning 8 willows, stump removal and planting 1 weeping willow. Works to be carried out in the autumn. CH asked that the willow tree not be planted. Proposed to accept Lewis Tree Surgeons by MS, seconded by SA and motion carried.

Village Celebration – date to be arranged once restrictions allow.

Village Beck – concerns about muddy water, clerk has contacted Bellway Homes but with no response. The Wildlife Committee have been in touch with the Environment Agency who are looking at the problem.

Village Taskforce walkabout – 29 June to meet outside the Boot & Slipper, list of issues to be forwarded to the clerk. Clerk to ask if more than one person can join the walkabout.

Electric car points in the village – requested by JG on behalf of a parishioner. This issue is closed as there are no suitable sites to install electric car points in the parish. Members agreed sites should be at garages or privately.

Invoices:

Andy Ross (cleaning bus shelters May x 4 weeks) - £60.00.

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Vivien Cox (salary 1st quarter) - £1236.00.

HM Revenue & Customs (clerk's tax) - £309.00.

St. Catherine's Church (burial ground grant) - £520.00.

Huws & Gray (reimburse Clerk for bag of gravel) - £53.99.

Roger Westmoreland (grass cutting April) - £468.00.

Proposed by SA, seconded by CH to approve payment of the invoices, and carried.

Receipts – ERYC precept - £12119.50.

Total amount in Bank as from 1 April 2021 – £30873.37.

District Audit – clerk has circulated the end of year accounts + VAT reclaim and AGAR forms. Because of being a remote meeting, the accounts and AGAR forms will go to the Chairman at the weekend for final signature and approval. Proposed to approve by SA, seconded by JG and carried.

VAT Reclaim - £4488.62.

Financial Year ending 31/03/2021

Balance as per bank statements as at 31/03/2021

Current Account – Community A/C	890.65	
Deposit Account – Business Saver A/C	30066.65	
		<u>30957.30</u>

CASH BOOK

	Balance b/fwd	41999.07
<i>Add</i>	Receipts in the Year	27159.19
<i>Less</i>	Payments in the Year	38200.96

Closing Balance as per cash book at 31/03/2021 **30957.30**

Plans:

Planning approval:

Mr. Newton-Taylor, The Cottage, St. Helen's Square – erection of single storey extension and installation of additional first floor window to rear. (Ref: 21/00350/PLF).

Mrs. C. Steel, Alder Carr House – Change of use of former agricultural storage shed to domestic storage/workshop (retrospective) – (Ref: 20/02568/PLF).

Correspondence:

Face to Face meetings – end of remote meetings, correspondence from ERNLLCA and ERYC Legal and Democratic Services.

Any other business for future meetings:

Sutton Lane, house numbers – email from local resident stating an emergency ambulance was delayed trying to find the dwelling. Asked the PC for advice to help with signage

Handmade sign outside Briarsfield – BE asked if it could be removed after receiving complaints. MWM will have a word with the resident.

Housing development at Grainger's pond – JG asked if anything can be done to tidy the building plot at the entrance to the village, as no progression with the building for several years.

Coach House Garth snicket – SA thanked MS and MWM for helping lay the gravel in the snicket. Local residents are pleased with the result.

Date of next meeting: PC meeting on the 1 July, and will be Face to Face in the Village Hall. SC offered his apologies.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:06 pm.