

CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 1st November 2021

21/144 Present:-

Councillor G Wilson (Chairman)
Councillor H Cross
Councillor A Holman
Councillor J Jewitt
Councillor P Maw
Councillor A Pulleyne
Councillor J Wallinger
Councillor K Wedgwood
Councillor R Woodall

County Councillor M Jordan
John Wedgwood
One member of the public

21/145 Apologies:-

District Councillor M Topping

21/146 Declarations of Interest: - None

21/147 Public Session: -

John Wedgwood – Queen’s Jubilee 2022

Mr Wedgwood spoke about plans for the Queen’s Jubilee celebrations between Thursday 2nd & Monday 6th June 2022 including open gardens (Friday 3rd June) and a summer fair on the Playing Fields (Saturday 4th June); it is hoped that these will become annual events to promote community spirit and raise funds for local groups.

It was noted advised that a sub-committee has been formed to organise the celebrations including the Village Institute committee, Playing Fields committee, Tennis club committee and Pre-School committee along with other volunteers.

Discussions/ideas were voiced regarding car park provisioning and hire of portable toilet facilities for the event.

It was noted that the Parish Council fully support the plans and offered their assistance where required.

21/148 Listen to reports from County and District Councillors:-

County Councillor M Jordan reported that the results of the Local Government Restructure are imminent.

21/149 Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting (11/10): -

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11th October 2021 were proposed by Councillor H Cross, seconded by Councillor R Woodall and unanimously agreed.

21/150 Matters arising from the minutes of the above meeting (action review):-

01 – Review of Highway Issues:-

CPC – H01 Resurfacing of A63 through Cliffe

Response received via County Councillor Mike Jordan 15/10

This section of road has been submitted for a resurfacing scheme proposal.

CPC – H02 Resurfacing of Main Street, Cliffe

Response received via County Councillor M Jordan 14/10

Highways will look again at the state of the road outside the school.

CPC – H04 Request for “Deer” warning signs on Lowmoor Road

Highways advised 03/08 that the “Deer” warning signs had been ordered

Chairman has requested update as to when the ordered signs will be installed.

CPC – H07 Path clearance along A63 in Lund

Response from Mark Lumby (Highways) via County Councillor Mike Jordan 15/10

I have asked the landowner to cut the hedge well back previously which he has agreed to do, I have asked for this to be put in for a siding scheme in the past, we could propose that the Parish Council may like to get some volunteers to do some footway siding if we provide the traffic management? Possible option to propose as this has happened in Hemingbrough.

It was agreed to arrange a date for the work to be carried out in January 2022; **Councillor J Jewitt** to assist with cutting the hedge and **Councillor A Pulleyne** to clear the path. A number of other councillors also agreed to help with manual work on the day.

Councillor A Pulleyne to liaise with Mark Lumby (Highways) to arrange the traffic management required.

CPC – H13 “Children” warning signs

Highways identified in February 2019 that the “Children” warning signs at the approach to the A63 junction were too small (600mm and they should be 900mm)

Chairman has requested update as to when the larger signs will be installed.

CPC – H14 Investigate moving the 40mph sign/limit on the A63 to the bridge approach (from the West) as current site at bottom of the bridge catches drivers unaware

Response from Highways Officer 30/07

It is felt that the signs are visible for quite a distance from where the limit applies, however if some motorists do not see these signs than the only option is to introduce larger signs. The speed limit sign can have a diameter of up to 1500mm. Using a greater mounting height may also help, but this must not be so high that the signs will not be illuminated by headlights. There is no prescribed sign to warn of a speed limit ahead, and the use of count-down markers is inappropriate: indeed count-down markers incorporating the speed limit sign are illegal. I will see if there is funding available for the upgrade (larger) of the signs.

Chairman has requested update regarding sign upgrade.

CPC – H19 Ornamental Village Signs

Response received via County Councillor M Jordan 14/10

The new engineer is returning from maternity leave and will pick up on the sites for ornamental signs.

The **Chairman** reported that the engineer had not been in touch; **County Councillor M Jordan** to chase this up.

CPC – H21 Signage at crossroads (Main Street/A63) obstructing view of traffic for drivers of large vehicles

Response received via County Councillor M Jordan 14/10

They suggest tall vehicles would be better coming out at the Hull Road entrance to get better visibility.

Response received via County Councillor Mike Jordan 15/10

Nothing has changed here recently, engineers will assess.

Chairman has sent a response to Highways advising that the response received 14/10 is not acceptable and has requested a site visit to discuss further.

CPC – H22 Overgrown tree obstructing view of traffic for drivers of large vehicles

The **Chairman** had requested a site visit with NYCC to discuss the matter further but **Councillor A Pulleyne** volunteered to cut this back himself to get the job done in a timely manner.

CPC – H23 Dip in A63 causing noise

Response received via County Councillor Mike Jordan 14/10

They are going to look at the dip on the A63 adjacent No 24 The Shrubberies.

Response via County Councillor Mike Jordan 15/10

No actionable defects found.

Chairman to ask Highways Officer to inspect the road again during the site visit (date to be arranged).

CPC – H24 New road surface too high

Response via County Councillor Mike Jordan 14/10

They are going to look at the issue on Menthorpe lane with regards the fact you can't get off the road due to its height.

Response via County Councillor Mike Jordan 15/10

Order already issued for verge repair.

CPC – H25 Parking near the school

Chairman has requested site visit with Highways to discuss extending the double yellow lines to prevent road blockage.

02 – Update on Highways request to repair the potholes at the crossroads as soon as possible to alleviate some of the noise – Already discussed under 21/150 – 01

03 – Update on trees overhanging the footpath at Hill Farm (to be trimmed back by adjacent landowner) – Already discussed under 21/150 - 01

04 - Chase up re clearing of the footpath to the North of the A63 between Lund and the Railway Bridge (once the trees overhanging the footpath at Hill Farm have been trimmed back by the landowner) – Already discussed under 21/150 - 01

05 – Update on application submitted for a Speed Management Protocol (SMP) speed survey for York Road (taking into account weight of vehicles in addition to speed)

Councillor J Wallinger advised that he had received a response from the North Yorkshire Police Traffic Bureau advising that from their records it has been some time since the Cliffe sites were last visited therefore the concerns raised have been passed on to the safety camera deployment team so these sites can be considered for enforcement again in the very near future.

Councillor Wallinger also spoke about the information he had sourced from a link provided by North Yorkshire Police:-

York Road had a camera van on the 22/03/2021 (for 48 minutes) resulting in 3 drivers being sent on a Speed Awareness Course (SAC).

Previously a camera van was sited on the 6/6/2018 (for 90 minutes) resulting in 10 drivers being sent on a Speed Awareness Course.

06 – Update on request for Cliffe to be considered for a ‘Community Speedwatch’ to tackle speeding along York Road

The **Chairman** advised that he had received a reply from Community Speedwatch advising that unfortunately York Road does not meet the criteria to be considered for the scheme however it was noted that the **Chairman** would be providing the data obtained from our vehicle activated sign (York Road) as evidence of the ongoing problem.

07 – Update on complaint to the head of the Neighbourhood Policing Team regarding the lack of response from PC Neil Morris re traffic concerns on the A63

The member of the public spoke about her concerns regarding speeding traffic on the A63 through Lund which she had raised previously with District Councillor M Topping.

The Chairman read out the following response received from PC Neil Morris (Selby District Neighbourhood Policing Team) who has been tasked with looking into traffic concerns on the A63:-

“Apologies for not getting back to you sooner. With regards to the traffic concerns – unfortunately I have not been able to get the speed monitoring equipment deployed by the Fire Service so I don’t have conclusive figures with regards to speeding.

I have, as an alternative, requested that the safety camera van be deployed in the village – this would at least then give an indication as to the amount of speeders pass through the village. In short the conclusion is, not very many. The number of offenders per hour captured on the A63 at Hemingbrough is quite a bit less than the number of offenders captured on the A63 at Cliffe, just a few miles down the road. As an example the camera van deployed to the village on 2nd August 2021 for 1hr and 45 minutes and only captured 1 speeding offence. With regards to accidents and incidents, from speaking to the Traffic Bureau who rank all roads in North Yorkshire by the number of and severity of incidents the A63 ranks around 13th in the county which as you can see is pretty low, given that it is a trunk road.

It’s unfortunate in that the Police can’t be in the village all the time and we couldn’t get the speed monitoring equipment in place. However I have a feeling that the complaints are with regards to the sheer volume of traffic as much as anything else.

Hopefully Hemingbrough Residents will attend the upcoming community meeting at the Methodist Chapel to voice their concerns.”

Councillor J Wallinger to investigate if North Yorkshire County Council will carry out an official speed survey at a cost of approx. £100 on the A63 nr Lund (60 mph zone).

08 - Speak to Pickering’s Haulage regarding their vehicles using York Road

Councillor K Wedgwood advised that since the reopening of the A19 she has not had any more complaints from residents and their vehicles have rarely been seen.

Councillor Wedgwood to contact Pickering’s Haulage to thank them for not using York Road.

Members raised concern regarding two skip companies that regularly use York Road and it was agreed that the **Chairman** would contact them.

09 - VAS Speed sign update/re-location to York Road

It was noted that the sign has now been relocated to York Road (south facing) and members raised concern that it has been triggering at much less than the speed limit that has been set.

Councillor J Wallinger to enquire if the sign can be recalibrated as part of the warranty.

10 - Ornamental Village Signs: Update on request sent to NYCC Highways for an assessment of the five potential sites (to be chased up with Sharon Fox) – Already discussed under 21/150 - 01

11 - Update on exposing the footpath under the overgrowth on the Eastern side of York Road between Common End Farm and the Southern perimeter of R Finney’s fenced field

Councillor A Pulleyne reported that Mark Lumby (NYCC Highways) has advised that under their new criteria they will not construct a new footpath even if the Parish Council can prove that a footpath had originally been present.

Councillor Pulleyne reported that he has cut it back but it needs to be maintained in order to provide a safe place for pedestrians to stand off the road; it was noted that a local landowner has agreed to keep the footpath cut back and members agreed to add this area to the Parish Council grass cutting schedule if required in the future.

Councillor Pulleyne also agreed to put a drainage pipe in and to liaise with Mark Lumby who has agreed to assist by installing gullies.

12 - Progress report on extending the village green lights and updating the Village Plan

District Councillor M Topping to forward links/information as soon as possible.

13 – Establish Christmas lights and cabling requirements

Awaiting information from **District Councillor M Topping**; **Chairman** to follow up.

Councillor A Pulleyne to request quote from a local electrician to extend the cabling.

14 – Enquire whether the ‘non-return valve’ has been fitted at the Pre-School

Councillor A Holman reported that to the best of his knowledge the valve has not yet been fitted; **Councillor Holman** to follow up with Pre-School and ask them to chase this up.

Councillor J Wallinger advised that there had been a flooding incident on Sunday 31st October with the drains backing up again and it was noted that the Village Institute will also be raising a complaint regarding the flooding.

15- Update from The Consumer Council for Water (CCWater) following submission of the third party consent forms (5) to enable them to fully investigate the lack of response from Yorkshire Water – to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

No further response received; **clerk** to follow up with CCWater.

16 – Provide official quote received for culverting the stretch of dyke up to the village green

Councillor A Pulleyne advised that he was still awaiting receipt of the official quote (30 mtrs); **Councillor Pulleyne** to chase up.

17 – Provide official quote received for culverting the stretch of dyke up to the village green

Councillor J Jewitt advised that he was still awaiting receipt of the official quote (30 mtrs); **Councillor Jewitt** to chase up.

18 – Provide previous quote received to culvert the stretch of dyke up to the village green

The **Chairman** advised that the previous quote had been received today (01/11) from **District Councillor M Topping**.

Chairman to liaise with **Councillor Topping** regarding Awards for All funding that may be available.

19 - Chase up the drawings (District Councillor M Topping to provide) that the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board require before they can consider the official Board application to culvert the stretch of dyke up to the village green

It was noted that the drawings had been received today (01/11); **Chairman** and **Councillor J Wallinger** to provide the clerk with the information required by the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board.

20 - Update on S106 funding to extend the village green

It was noted that the **clerk** was awaiting approval from the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board before applying for the S106 funding to extend the village green.

21 - Update on request for Locality Budget funding to extend the village green.

It was noted that the **clerk** had not applied yet as the Parish Council are awaiting approval from the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board.

22 - Update on the official board application & contribution request sent to the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board

Chairman and **Councillor J Wallinger** to provide the **clerk** with the information received from **District Councillor M Topping**.

Clerk to forward the information once received to the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board to enable them to consider granting approval.

23 - Review the overgrown public footpaths on a monthly basis, with individual fields identified which do not comply with the applicable laws/regulations

Councillor J Wallinger reported that a number of the public footpaths have not been cleared and require attention. Members discussed at length the difficulties experienced by landowners alongside the obligation to keep public footpaths clear and accessible and it was agreed that the Parish Council would erect a number of National Farmers Union (NFU) educational boards in the appropriate area's to raise awareness.

Councillor A Pulleyne to report back at the next Parish Council meeting.

Chairman and **Councillor J Wallinger** to post information on the Cliffe Village Website and social media.

Clerk to contact the Ramblers Association to enquire if there is a code of conduct for their members when using public footpaths.

24 - Re: path identified as being incorrectly marked on the NYCC pathways map
Advise the landowner to ask for the alternative route to be added to the definitive map with the hope that people will continue to favour using this route

It was noted that the **clerk** had advised the landowner as agreed and the Parish Council now consider that this matter is closed and will be removed from future agenda's.

25 - Update on broken stile onto public footpath off the A63

Councillor J Wallinger reported that he had received an acknowledgment but no further response; **Councillor Wallinger** to follow up with NYCC.

26 – Arrange access to facilitate repair of the bridges at Broad Lane Wood (by PC handyman)

The **Chairman** advised that the Parish Council handyman will wait until the spring before carrying out the repairs.

27 - Dog & litter bins – update on orders

The **clerk** gave an update on the orders and it was unanimously agreed to pay the relocation fee of £65.24 that will be charged by Selby District Council to relocate the dog bin in the Shrubberies (to the junction with Main Street).

28 - Provide update on the book library on the village green and plaque to commemorate the Village Green opening

The **Chairman** advised that the installation of the book library is imminent.

29 - Update on the defective bridge at the end of Jacques' Lane reported to NYCC Highways/Byways

No further update

30 - Update on NYCC request for additional 'dogs on lead' signage

The **Clerk** reported that another dozen signs have been ordered and were posted out at the end of last week. **Clerk** to deliver six each to **Councillors J Jewitt** and **R Woodhall**.

31 - Update on placement of 'dogs on lead' signs throughout the Parish - Ongoing

32 - Parish Paddock ideas for future use

Members discussed future plans for the paddock and it was agreed to also investigate the possibility of the Parish Council creating a nature reserve at Malt Kiln Pond.

Councillors J Jewitt and **A Pulleyne** to make further enquiries regarding ownership.

33 - Update on enquiry to Catherine Hickford – SDC re providing assistance with the Parish Paddock

No response received; **clerk** to follow up.

34 - Contact resident who has volunteered to help with ideas for a nature reserve at the Parish Paddock

The **Chairman** advised that he had spoken to the resident who is very keen to assist with creating the nature reserve. It was agreed to invite the resident to be involved if the Parish Paddock were to be developed into a nature reserve..

Chairman to arrange access to the Parish Council safe at the school to obtain legal documents relating to the Parish Paddock.

35 – Update on lack of Police Community Officer’s Reports (escalated to the Neighbourhood Policing Team)

The following response received from PC Neil Morris (Selby District Neighbourhood Policing Team) was noted:-

“The monthly reports will be continuing, however it is something that has been looked at by the North Yorkshire Police hierarchy and they don’t like the ad-hoc way in which it is currently being done. Therefore there will be a new “form” for the reports which will mean they will be standardised across the force. As soon as I have the new form I will be completing it and getting it sent out.”

36 - Update on overgrown trees encroaching onto properties on The Shrubberies

Councillor P Maw advised that he had spoken to the complainant, and it was noted that he previously paid Selby District Council to investigate the ongoing issue but no action has been taken and he has not received any response. **Councillor Maw** to ask the complainant for more details i.e case reference number etc and the **Chairman** will refer this to **District Councillor K Arthur** to escalate.

Update on request for a site meeting with NYCC Highways to discuss visibility concerns at junction of York Road & A63

- Already discussed under 21/150 - 01

37 - Contact YLCA for advice on employing Solicitors to handle the Wayleave agreement for Broad Lane Wood & engage solicitor accordingly

The **Chairman** advised that he had contacted the YLCA but they were unable to offer any advice therefore Crombie and Wilkinson have been instructed to act on behalf of the Parish Council.

38 - Obtain quotes to crown lift and cut back Cherry tree near the Village Institute

The **Chairman** advised that he had obtained two quotes from local tree surgeons to carry out the work required and it was unanimously agreed to accept the quote of £350 provided by Tree Tops (Selby).

39 - Update on outstanding trees & groundworks on West side of Main Street.

It was noted that the contractor has now completed all their outstanding work; **Councillor A Pulleyne** to complete any remaining actions at a suitable time.

40 - Enquire with Highways re extending the double yellow lines outside school up to the zig-zag no parking zone

- Already discussed under 21/150 - 01

41 - Update on outstanding works to be conducted by George Fillingham. Why haven’t these been done yet?

The **clerk** gave an update and the **Chairman** expressed frustration regarding the lengthy delay in completing the work.

42 - Speak to landowner at Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park to ensure he is adhering to planning conditions

The **Chairman** advised that he had spoken to the landowner regarding adhering to the planning conditions and the status of the planning application; **Chairman** to enquire further with **District Councillor K Arthur**.

21/151 Update on Wayleave agreement for Broad Lane Wood & Advice received from YLCA

Already discussed under 21/150 - 37

21/152 Cliffe Bus/Route status update

The **clerk** reported that Councillor J Strelczenie – Hemingbrough Parish Council Chairman is in the process of arranging follow up meetings with both Arriva and Thornes.

21/153 Posterngate Surgery Update re Proposed closure of branch surgery at Hemingbrough

The clerk advised that the formal application to close the Hemingbrough branch has still not been submitted to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) but this must be done 10 days before their next meeting (25th November). The working group will receive a copy of the application in advance of it being submitted to enable them to comment.

21/154 Update on Village Green Plaque Proposal in memory of former councillor

The clerk reported that she was still awaiting a response from **District Councillor M Topping**, who was going to speak to Kay McSherry regarding suitable wording for the plaque.

21/155 Planning: -

a) Consider Planning Applications Received:-

i. (2021/1219/FUL) Conversion of an existing barn to a dwelling house on **Land Off Lund Lane, Cliffe**
No Objections

b) Consider any Planning Applications Received not listed on the agenda:-

i. (2021/1241/CPE) Lawful development certificate for existing use of land as garden at **Lund Hall Farm, Hull Road, Cliffe** No Objections

c) Note Planning Applications Granted: -

i. (2021/0845/HPA) Proposed single storey extension to rear at **Waroona, Main Street, South Duffield**

ii. (2021/0638/FUL) Single storey B8 storage unit at **Birchwood Lodge, Market Weighton Road, Barlby**

iii. (2021/0349/FUL) Erection of two buildings for use as E(g)(iii) industrial workshops following demolition of an existing building used for B8 storage at **Birchwood Lodge, Market Weighton Road, Barlby**

iv. (2019/0244/FUL) Retrospective application for retention of menage, fencing and access track on **Land South of Chapel Lane, South Duffield**

d) Note Planning Applications Refused: - NIL

21/156 Finance: -

a) The following payments were proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed: -

i. J Leighton-Eshelby (November Salary) £ As Agreed

b) To approve payments not listed on the agenda: -

i. G Wilson (Projector Reimbursement) £ 109.88

ii. Cliffe Village Institute £ 352.80
(Hire – 12 Meetings)

c) Note receipt of income, as listed below: - NIL

21/157 Correspondence Received:-

Note correspondence received, and decide on action to be taken, where appropriate:-

YLCA Queen's Green Canopy Initiative (Circulated to members) – **Clerk** to circulate details of tree species available and pack sizes to enable members to agree order.

NYCC Respect & Protect Covid Campaign (Circulated to members) – **Councillor J Wallinger** to post on Cliffe Village Website.

Resident – Complaint regarding overgrown conifers in the Shrubberies; **Councillor J Wallinger** to speak to the landowner about cutting the conifers back.

21/158 Review/Update Parish Projects List:- No additional issues raised

21/159 Representatives Report

Councillor H Cross advised that the Cliffe Combined Charities meeting date is still to be confirmed and noted that the Mary Waud Foundation have received no grant requests this year. It was also noted that there will be a change of personnel in the near future.

Councillor P Maw reported that the Village Institute AGM is being held on Tuesday 2nd November and the Playing Fields Association AGM will be held later in the month.

21/160 Confirm date of next meeting: - Monday 6th December 2021 commencing at 7.00pm in CLIFFE VILLAGE INSTITUTE

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