

CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 6th March 2023 at Cliffe Village Institute

23/022 Present: -

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

Three members of the public were also present.

23/023 Apologies: -

Councillors J Jewitt and K Wedgwood
District/County Councillor K Arthur
District Councillor M Topping

23/024 Declarations of Interest: - None

23/025 Public Session: -

A member of the public reported that he had been and cut back overgrowth near the entrance to Broad Lane Wood and requested that the Parish Council to monitor the area as some of the trees are starting to look unhealthy.

The member of the public spoke about the ongoing issues on York Road and referred to a letter from NYCC dated 24/06/2011 concerning the removal of speed bumps immediately north of the level crossing.

The Chairman advised that following a meeting with Gary Lumb (NYCC Highways) he had chased up a response regarding the various highway issues discussed and had received a response from Rob Cook (NYCC Highways) on behalf of Gary Lumb who is on long-term leave.

Unfortunately, the response received did not reflect the previous discussions therefore the Chairman has requested clarification from Gary Lumb when he returns to work at the end of the month.

The Chairman provided a comprehensive update on the ongoing highway issues including the speed bumps on York Road and other traffic calming measures under consideration (build out, silent rumble strips and dragons teeth markings).

A member of the public expressed a wish for full width speed bumps across York Road, but it was noted that Highways have already confirmed that they will not install these.

A member of the public also spoke about the work carried out on the village green and reported that Cliffe Playing Fields Association (CPFA) are considering asking the Parish Council to consider carrying out the grass cutting on the Playing Field. It was noted that no communication has yet been received by the Parish Council.

Chairman to liaise with Brian Whittaker (CPFA) to obtain all the information required to enable the Parish Council to discuss their request at the April Parish Council meeting.

The residents and members of the Parish Council also discussed repairs to Oxen Lane, the Parish owned vehicle activated sign and keeping public rights of way clear.

23/026 Listen to reports from County and District Councillors: - None present

The Chairman read out the following emailed report received from District/County Councillor K Arthur:-

“1. It was agreed by full council at Northallerton in February that the North Yorkshire council tax precept is to be increased by 4.99% from this April (2.99% general increase and 2% social care levy). In addition to this all district council precepts are to be levelled out across the county so this means that some districts will be faced with increases whilst some will see their precepts reduced. In the case of Selby District I understand that this will mean about an extra £30 per annum for a Band D property, but it has been agreed that this increase will be phased in over two years;

2. At present all districts around the county charge different rates for Green Bin Waste Collections (with Selby at present having no charge at all). Again this is to be harmonised across the county so that everyone has the choice to receive the same service funded in the same way. This means that for the first time residents in Selby District will be charged to have their green bins emptied. As Selby currently does not charge residents are being consulted about this and you can take part in the survey - which runs until 3rd April - at the following website address <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/selby-area-garden-waste-collection-service>.

It is important to point out that you will only be charged if you want to retain your green waste bin and that although things technically are harmonising on 1st April that there will be no change to the existing service until this consultation process is complete. The Executive at North Yorkshire Council are expected to consider their decision on this issue in late spring.

3. I had a meeting with some of the Hall for Hemingbrough Committee Members last week and they are in the process of submitting their plans for the project. They inform me that if successful the building work will probably commence late this year. They are hopeful that once fully up and running they will be able to set up a doctors surgery in the building together with a pharmacy. They also hope that this project will help re-establish the bus service that runs between Hemingbrough and Selby and maybe at a more frequent rate if they get more footfall. The building project is also likely to help with getting more pupils into Cliffe Primary School, making it more sustainable, as a large housing development to the project is being built at the same time and not all the pupils are likely to fit into Hemingbrough Primary School;

4. The locality budgets are coming back for another year in June with each member receiving £10k to fund projects within their division. In addition to this the Area Constituency Committees are attaining £50k each to fund projects in their areas. So if you want any funding for projects please get in touch;

5. No Further update to provide on the Planning Issue with the Cliffe Meadow Holiday Park since I reported to you a couple of weeks ago. I will chase this and once I find out more I will let you know;

6. *Following complaints about the state of certain parts of Hull Road (Adjacent to Turnham Lane, William Jacques Drive etc), I have been in contact with Highways to see if this can be rectified. They inform me that work to surface dress and likely lock chip the road is to be undertaken in mid-April approximately.”*

23/027 Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting (30/01): -

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 30th January 2023 were proposed by Councillor H Cross, seconded by Councillor R Woodall and unanimously agreed.

23/028 Matters arising from the minutes of the above meeting (action review): -

01 - Update on the feasibility of installing a build out on York Road: -

It was noted that the Chairman is awaiting a response from Gary Lumb (NYCC Highways) following his return to work at the end of March.

02 - Update on request for police speed camera to be deployed on York Road as previously agreed: - No further update; **Clerk** to follow up.

03 - Update on request for Gary Lumb (NYCC Highways) to confirm in writing their perspective on the effectiveness of the speed bumps on York Road: -

See Item 01; Awaiting response from Gary Lumb (NYCC Highways) on his return.

04 - Update on the feasibility of remedial work on Oxen Lane (to be undertaken by the Parish Council): -

It was noted that NYCC Highways have granted permission for the Parish Council to undertake repairs on Oxen Lane and the Parish Council discussed the remedial work to be carried out. **Chairman** to arrange on-site meeting before the May Parish Council meeting.

05 - Update on request to NYCC Highways to carry out a survey of the public footpaths in the Parish to ensure that they are correctly signed: - Ongoing. Awaiting a response.

06 – Update on footpath spraying to the north of the A63 between Lund/Railway Bridge and the village: - Ongoing. Awaiting response from **District/County Councillor K Arthur** who agreed to investigate this with NYCC Highways.

07 - Confirmation of costs (including new posts) for replacement of South Duffield village sign (Hagg Lane end): -

See Item 01; Awaiting response from Gary Lumb (NYCC Highways) on his return.

08 - Consider village sign and memorial bench from the Royal British Legion for the corner of the village green: - Deferred to the April Parish Council meeting.

09 - Update on proposed new road markings on the Northern approach to the village (York Road): -

See Item 01; Awaiting response from Gary Lumb (NYCC Highways) on his return.

10 - Update on changing the village green electrical socket over to something more suitable as agreed: - Ongoing. **Councillor A Pulleyne** obtained a quote which was accepted at the January Parish Council meeting.

11 - Update on investigations being carried out by Yorkshire Water: - No further update; **Councillor J Wallinger** awaiting response.

12 - Update on investigations being carried out by Yorkshire Water: - Ongoing

13 - Update on the contribution request sent to the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board: - Ongoing; **Clerk** to follow up.

14 - Update on remedial culverting work to be carried out ASAP by Wrights of Crockey Hill:-
Councillor A Pulleyne reported that the remedial culverting work has now been completed; **Chairman** to inform Nathan Culpin (Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board) and send photographs.

Councillor A Pulleyne also advised that Wrights of Crockey Hill are returning to tidy up the fencing that was disturbed during the works.

15 - Update on Village Green extension project: -

It was noted that DVA Landscapers have commenced work on the footpath extension.

16 – Update on Village Green path clearance: -

It was noted that the work will be carried out by J Wedgwood within the next couple of weeks.

17 - Update on the installation of Cliffe Parish Council educational signs by local landowners: -

It was noted that the signs have been delivered to the **Chairman** who will distribute them to local landowners.

18 - Update on access to the Parish Council safe at school to access documents: -

The **Chairman** reported that he and **Councillors A Holman, R Woodall, J Wallinger & P Maw** have accessed the safe, but a further session(s) is needed to go through everything.

Councillor A Holman is scrutinising some of the documents removed from the safe and gave an overview of the information sourced so far.

19 - Update on survey to gauge the opinion of all residents living near the speed bumps on York Road: - Already covered during 23/025 Public Session.

20 - Update on extension of 30mph speed limit further up Turnham Lane: - Ongoing

21 – Update on request to Highways to move the post at four-lane ends crossroads 20 yards further north as it is obstructing driver’s view Northwards when pulling out of the road from Osgodby: - Ongoing.

22 – Review of all Parish Council policies: -

It was noted that the **Chairman** has reviewed the current Parish Council policies and will send signed and dated copies to **Councillor J Wallinger** to post on the Cliffe Village Website.

Clerk to review the Records Management Policy & GDPR Information Audit and confirm compliance at the April Parish Council meeting.

23 - Update on blocked road drains on York Road reported by NYCC Highways to Selby District Council: - Update received from **Councillor K Wedgwood**. This has again been reported to Selby District Council Street Cleansing Department but has still not been done.

24 - Update on letter to be sent to businesses that are breaking the 7.5 tonne weight limit on York Road: - Ongoing

25 - Update on communication with Trading Standards re policing of weight limits on York Road: - Ongoing
(Items 24 & 25 dealt with together)
The **Chairman** spoke about reporting vehicles that are abusing the weight limit through North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC).

26 - Update on investigation with Highways re the possibility of installing double yellow lines on Oxen Lane (beyond the tennis courts) and Badgers Way: -
It was noted that the 'No Parking Beyond This Point' sign has been installed but vehicles are still being parked inconsiderately; **Councillor K Wedgwood** to continue to pursue the installation of double yellow lines.

27 - Update on investigation of parking issues next to the triangle island in the centre of South Duffield: - Ongoing

28 - Update on replacement 'No Parking Beyond This Point' sign (Tennis Courts, Oxen Lane): - See Item 26; to be removed from future agendas.

23/029 Public Footpaths:- (to include any overgrown public footpaths which have been identified that do not comply with the applicable laws/regulations): - No issues raised.

23/030 Grass Maintenance 2023: -
J Wedgwood to carry out the first cut of 2023 in April.

23/031 Path maintenance: -
J Wedgwood to identify which paths need cutting back and/or spraying; **clerk** to obtain details of a local contractor who is certified to spray weeds and pass the details on to the **Chairman**.

23/032 Broad Lane Wood: -
The **Chairman** confirmed that he has now signed the name change request on the Option Agreement as requested by Boom Power.

23/033 Parish Paddock: - No update.

23/034 Village Green Art Project: -
The **Chairman** advised that he had been approached by Amy Wilson with regards to getting the primary school children to paint tiles which can be fired and sited on the Village Green as part of the Kings coronation celebrations.
It was suggested that the Parish Council purchase a commemorative bench for the Village Green and look at incorporating this with the art project; **Chairman** to liaise with Amy Wilson.

23/035 Planning: -

a) Councillors considered the following Planning Applications received: -

- i. (2023/0085/CPE) Lawful development certificate for existing use for creation of a dwelling at **Rose Lodge, Oakwood Park, Market Weighton Road, North Duffield** No Objections
- ii. (2023/0131/TPO) Application for consent to crown thin by 10% of five low diameter branches and sprout growth to 2no lime trees at **32 Hull Road, Cliffe** No Objections
- iii. (NY/2023/0025/73) Consultation on planning application for the purposes of the retention of prefabricated classroom unit 1788 for a further 6 years on land at **Cliffe Voluntary Controlled School, Main Street, Cliffe** No Objections

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

c) Note Planning Applications Granted: -

- i. (2022/1376/CPE) Lawful development certificate for the erection of a dwelling at **Barrack Row, York Road, Cliffe**. Noted

d) Note Planning Applications Refused: NIL

e) Note Planning Applications Withdrawn: NIL

23/036 Finance: -

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

- i. J Leighton-Eshelby (Clerks Salary – March) £ As Agreed
- ii. R Woodall (Kings Coronation Flag Reimbursement) £ 37.98
- iii. S Look (Clerking Services) £ As Agreed

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

- i. HMRC (PAYE) £ 348.45

c) To ratify payments made in between meetings: -

- i. J Leighton-Eshelby (Clerks Salary – February) £ As Agreed
- ii. Cliffe Village Institute (2023 Rent) £ 352.80
- iii. Alan Parker £ 106.65
(Making up farmers plaques incl materials)

iv. Alan Parker (Making up and Fitting No Parking Sign on Tennis Court, incl materials)	£ 60.00
v. DVA Landscapes & Paving (Re-siting noticeboard & section of railing)	£ 360.00
vi. John Wedgwood - (Grass & Pavement Edging)	£ 360.00

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

e) Cliffe Primary School funding request:-

The Chairman reported that the school have now secured funding for replacement windows but they also need to replace a large section of the school fence that is falling down. It was noted that the school has received three quotes and these were discussed by members.

It was agreed to support the school by funding 80% of the cost up to a maximum of £2,000 with a recommendation that the school purchase a metal fence; **Chairman** to liaise with Mr Blackwood (Head Teacher).

23/037 Correspondence Received:-

i. North Yorkshire Council – Receipt of briefing note regarding the Selby Area Garden Waste Collection Service was noted.

23/038 Representatives Report: -

Councillor R Woodall advised that he is now in receipt of the Kings Coronation flag and it was agreed that the flag will be flown from Monday 1st May 2023.

Councillor Woodall raised concerns from residents that Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park do not appear to be following planning rules/regulations however the Parish Council were informed earlier in the meeting by District/County Councillor Karl Arthur that Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park is being investigated by Selby District Council Planning Enforcement therefore no further action is required by the Parish Council.

Councillor Woodall also reported problems with poachers in the area and trail bikes riding across the fields.

Councillor H Cross gave an overview of the Mary Waud Trust meeting held on Tuesday 31st January 2023.

Councillor P Maw gave an overview of the Cliffe Village Institute meeting held in February 2023.

Councillor A Holman raised concern that the railway crossing closure timings are not consistent with their signage; **Chairman** to follow up with local representative.

The **Chairman** reported that a local resident had spoken to him regarding future funding for Cliffe Tennis Club.

23/039 Confirm date of next meeting: - Monday 3rd April 2023 commencing at 7.00pm in CLIFFE VILLAGE INSTITUTE.

23/040 Parish Council owned land: - Ongoing.

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