

# **CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at St Andrews Mission on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

**19/016 Present:** - Councillor M Topping (Chairman), J Allan, A Holman, C Topping,  
J Wallinger and R Woodhall  
District Councillors K Arthur and J Deans

One member of the public was also present

**19/017 Apologies:** - Councillors H Cross and A Wilson  
County Councillor M Jordan

**19/018 Declarations of Interest:** - None

**19/019 Public Session:** -

A member of the public expressed concern regarding metal spikes which have been trampled into the ground in a field on Middle Lane to intentionally damage farm machinery (police have been informed). This is also a health and safety concern due to its close proximity to a public footpath.

The resident also spoke about used dog poo bags being left in fields instead of being put in the dog bin at the Playing Field and it was agreed to post dog fouling signs on the noticeboards to highlight the dangers of dog fouling.

**19/020 Listen to reports from County and District Councillors:** -

District Councillor J Deans advised that he will not be standing in the Selby District Council elections on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. The Chairman thanked Councillor Deans for all his hard work and support.

District Councillor K Arthur advised that Selby District Council have proposed to raise the Council Tax charge by £3.00 per Band D property (1.7% increase), to be agreed at the budget meeting scheduled for Thursday 21st February.

It was noted that North Yorkshire County Council is proposing a 4.99% Council Tax charge increase.

Councillor Arthur also spoke about the current proposal to relocate Selby Post Office to WHSmith, Gowthorpe.

**19/021 Police Report:-**

A report listing the recent Ringmaster notifications received by the clerk was circulated to members.

It was also noted that two burglaries had occurred recently in Cliffe and Osgodby.

### **19/022 Confirmation of Minutes:-**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 were proposed by Councillor J Wallinger, seconded by Councillor A Holman and unanimously agreed.

### **19/023 Matters Arising: - None**

### **19/024 Items for Discussion:-**

#### a) Public Rights of Way

##### Turnham Lane Footpath

It was noted that the Parish Council had received permission in writing from Mark Lumby (NYCC Highways) to go ahead with the work and that the contractor had done a good job in clearing the footpath.

Councillor C Topping raised concern regarding a vehicle which is regularly parking on the footpath and causing an obstruction for wheelchair users and pushchairs. Parish Council to continue to monitor the situation.

##### Footpath from William Jacques Drive to the Shrubberies

The clerk advised that Mark Lumby (NYCC Highways) has indicated that Selby District Council is responsible for the footpath.

**RESOLVED** to contact Selby District Council to request that the overgrown nettles are cut back. **CLERK**

##### Footpath at the side of Top End House

The clerk advised that Mike Guerney (NYCC Public Rights of Way Officer) had carried out a site visit wk. beginning 14<sup>th</sup> January and whilst he is sorry that an accident has occurred he considers that the path is in reasonable condition for its intended use and therefore does not intend to take any further action at present.

#### b) Highway Issues

##### Weight Restriction Signs

The clerk advised that County Councillor Mike Jordan had contacted Vickie Day with regards to relocating the weight restriction signs on the A63 to discourage HGV's turning into York Road.

The Parish Council identified issues with the solution proposed by Highways i.e. erecting a further sign before the junction with Hull Road to allow vehicles to turn at the grass triangle area and it was agreed to request a site visit with Vickie Day (NYCC Highways Engineer) to discuss further. **CLERK**

##### York Road

It was also agreed to follow up on the Parish Councils speed monitoring survey request and proposal to move the weight limit signs further into the village.

### Cliffe Crossroads

The Parish Council discussed the site assessment report received (previously circulated to members) and it was agreed to discuss the conclusions and options with Vickie Day (NYCC Highways Engineer) during the site visit, to be arranged as above.

It was noted that the report had identified that the "Children" warning signs on the approaches to the junction are smaller than recommended in national guidelines for the vehicle approach speeds.

**RESOLVED** to write to Vickie Day and request that larger signs are erected (at Highways expense) as a matter of urgency to provide more warning to motorists. **CLERK**

### c) Village Green

The Chairman advised that as he had not been able to source a suitable larger Christmas tree he was now looking at planting a smaller second tree with a view to removing the original one once established.

### d) Parish Council Profile

#### Cliffe Village Website

Councillor J Wallinger advised that the Councillor photographs provided were now on the Parish Council section of the website.

### e) Potential S106 Contribution Projects

The clerk advised that Carol Perry (Selby District Council CIL & Section 106 Officer) has confirmed that the Section 106 funding cannot be used as a contribution towards a pedestrian crossing and must be used for recreational facilities.

### f) Village Plan

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council have been awarded £300 from District Councillor Mike Jordan's Locality Budget to purchase bulbs to be planted in Cliffe, Lund and South Duffield.

### g) Parish Paddock

It was noted that DTMS had reported that Japanese Knotweed was still present within the fenced area at the time of their last site visit and that they will be carrying out a further inspection in June.

### h) Parish Council Vacancy

The clerk advised that following the resignation of Councillor M Whattam, a Notice of Vacancy had been received from Selby District Council. It was noted that as the vacancy has occurred within six months before the day on which the Councillor whose office is vacant would regularly have retired, an election shall not be held and the vacancy shall be held at the next ordinary election of Councillors on 2 May 2019 although the Parish Council may choose to fill the vacancy by co-option for the period until the next ordinary election.

**19/025 Planning:-**

9a) Consider Planning Applications Received: -

1. (2019/0050/CPE) Certificate of lawful use for existing use of land for the stationing of mobile homes at **Cliffe Country Lodges, Cliffe Common, Cliffe.**
2. (2019/0078/HPA) Proposed two storey side extension and single storey rear extension, to existing cottage with replacement roof works and remedial works to exterior, and removal of existing single storey side extension and rear lean to extension at **Top End Cottage, Turnham Lane, Cliffe.**

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

b) Note Planning Applications Granted:-

1. (2018/1237/S73) Section 73 application for proposed erection of single storey dwelling without complying with conditions of approval APP/N2739/W/16/3157872 (2015/0351/FUL) allowed on appeal 23rd January 2017 at **Pear Tree House, Hull Road, Cliffe.**
2. (2018/0904/COU) Proposed change of use of disused agricultural field to caravan and camp site including the siting of up to 5 static caravans (one to be used as reception/site office) and associated access and groundworks at **Turnham Lane, Cliffe.**

c) Note Planning Applications Refused: - NIL

d) Note Planning Applications Withdrawn: - NIL

e) Note Planning Appeal Received:

1. (APP/N2739/D/18/3219069) Planning appeal against refusal of a Householder Application at **8 Curson Terrace, Cliffe.**

District Councillors K Arthur and J Deans left the meeting.

**19/026 Finance:-**

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

1. J Leighton-Eshelby (Salary)	£ As Agreed
2. A.S.Walls & Son (Parish Paddock – Field/Hedge Cutting)	£ 374.40 (Gross)
	£ 62.40 (VAT)
	£ 312.00 (Net)

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

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

d) Consider request for the Parish Council to cover the cost of the Cliffe Village Institute Insurance

The request was discussed and it was proposed by Councillor J Wallinger, seconded by Councillor A Holman and unanimously agreed to cover the cost of the Cliffe Village Hall insurance premium (£693.93).

**19/027 Correspondence: -**

1. Resident – Receipt of letter requesting support to extend the 40 mph speed limit on the A63 as it passes through Cliffe and Hemingbrough, to include the short piece of road between the two villages was noted.

**RESOLVED** in principle to support the extension of the speed limit and to make further enquiries with North Yorkshire Police. **CLERK**

The Parish Council also discussed investigating the possibility of moving the location of the 40 mph speed sign towards the bottom of the bridge (from Selby) and also chasing up the 40 mph repeater signs through the length of the village as previously agreed by NYCC Highways. **CLERK**

2. Clerk & Councils Direct – Receipt of newsletter was noted.

**19/028 Representative Reports:-**

Councillor J Wallinger suggested setting up a Parish Council 'WhatsApp' group for easier, more instant communication (in addition to the normal emails) between Councillors specifically for when an urgent message needs to be communicated and Councillors may not get the opportunity to read their emails.

**19/029**

The clerk advised that NYCC are in the process of transferring the Parish Councils street lighting energy account to start from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

**19/030 Part 2 (Press and Public Excluded)**

The Parish Council had a brief discussion registering Parish assets and the next steps to be taken.

Councillors are elected on behalf of everyone on the Register of Electors; therefore matters discussed, proposed and voted on, become the majority view and are not necessarily individual councillor's views. Parishioners may view previous minutes, by giving prior notice to the Clerk (Ring 01757 630077 for appointment)