

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held in the Methodist Chapel

Schoolroom on Tuesday 9th January, 2018 at 7.30pm

Present Mr R Atkinson (Chairman), Mr C Clark, Mr M Golton, Mr R Halligan, Mr C Smith, Mr B Gregory, Mrs M Ratcliffe and the clerk.

Also present – One parishioner.

1 Apologies for absence: - None

2 Declarations of Interest: None.

3 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th December 2017 were approved and signed.

4 Parishioners issues: None.

5 Matters Arising:

- a) Wistow Mine site – Mr Smith informed the meeting that new access signs had been installed on Long Lane, after NYCC had objected to the original signs erected by the company on the mine site.
- b) Cemetery/graveyard – The clerk informed the meeting that the lease arrangement with NYCC was being processed from the York office of the solicitors acting for the Parish Council. It was agreed to remove reference to the Jubilee Hall from the document.
- c) Village buses – No problems reported from the new contractor now operating the bus route.
- d) Footpath No. 12 – After some discussion it was agreed not to grant monies from the Parish Council towards re-stoning the footpath.
- e) Picnic seat for the village green – No progress.
- f) Street lights in the village

In an email from NYCC regarding the street lights, owned by the Parish Council, they were concerned about the Council's suggestion to use retrofit LED bulbs to the existing SOX carriers. NYCC suggested the Parish Council should plan to replace the SOX lighting with new columns over a period of years. It was agreed by members, with the limited finances available, to replace 1 to 2 columns with LED lights each year. NYCC would be asked to carry out a survey of the existing lights to plan a replacement programme.
- g) Pools of Sites – The District Council sent an email to all parishes outlining the consultation for development in the district.

6. Planning Applications –

- a) Proposed demolition of existing single storey front porch and erection of new front porch and demolition of existing single rear utility extension and erection of a single storey rear extension at West View, Church Hill – No objections.

B Hagg Farm, Cawood – Outside the Wistow parish boundary – No objections.

7. Planning decisions by Selby District Council – None.

8. Correspondence –

- a) Email from the Area committee – Ref. speeding.
- b) Email from NALC – details of Data Protection Regulations
- c) Email from NYCC – Minerals and Waste Plans (none involve Wistow Parish)

d) Letter from HSBC – Requesting information on business accounts.

e) Letter from Drax Power Station – Information on the change of two existing turbines to natural gas.

9. Other Matters –

a) CEF – Next meeting at the Regen Centre, Riccall, on Wednesday 31st January 2018 at 6.30pm.

b) Village hall – AGM to be held on Tuesday 16th January 2018.

c) Neighbourhood watch- No major issues in the village.

d) Jubilee field children’s play area – The chairman reported no major problems.

10. Outstanding Actions –

a) Village green notice board map – Members would bring old photographs of the village to the next meeting.

11. Finance –

a) Accounts – The clerk presented the accounts to the members.

b) Cheques approved and signed – Npower (green electric) - £10.16; Hargreaves (green work) - £672.00; Hargreaves (grass cutting) - £3108.00; Zurich Municipal (insurance) - £514.80; J Wildash (half year salary) - £450.00; J Wildash (expenses) - £326.41; HMRC (PAYE) - £112.50; SWAT security (village hall) - £135.06.

12. Dates of next meetings

Tuesday 13th February 2018

Tuesday 20th March 2018

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 8.40pm.