

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4th July 2017

Present

Councillor K. Bailey	Councillor S. Jones
Councillor P. Brown	Councillor E. Knight
Councillor K. Cook	Councillor R. Mulvany
Councillor L. Gettings	Councillor C. Nixon
Councillor G. Haigh	Councillor L. Rawson
Councillor C. Johnson	Councillor C. Taylor

59.0 Apologies for Absence

59.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Kimberley and Finnigan.

Attendance of Residents

Lisa Ryland attended the meeting to report the theft of a BMW from her property, possibly by 'key cloning'. She was enquiring if there had been a spike in such crimes. As the police were not present this question could not be answered.

Steven Mitchell attended the meeting to discuss Flossmore Way Park, but as Councillor Finnigan was not present to discuss this issue, Councillor Jones stated that the Parish Council could not intervene at this point.

60.0 Anti-Social Behaviour/Policing Issues/Speeding

60.1 The police were not in attendance.

61.0 Chair's Remarks

61.1 Councillor Jones thanked all Councillors for their help at the annual Scarecrow Festival, which had once again proved very successful.

61.2 Councillor Cook also wished to recognise the work of the volunteers.

62.0 Minutes of Meeting held on 6th June 2017

62.1 The Minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record.

62.2 Matters arising from the Minutes.

62.3 Referring to Item 44.2 it was stated that Councillor Finnigan had put in a request to LCC for double yellow lining at the Finkle Lane/ Street Lane junction.

63.0 Correspondence

63.1 Councillor Jones listed the correspondence in June.

63.2 An update from Councillor Finnigan regarding the Meeting Hall refurbishment. It was decided that more information was required before a decision could be made by the Parish

Council to support the new plans.

63.3 An email from a resident giving details of a dog fouling offence. LCC had been contacted.

63.4 A letter from Councillor Leadley regarding the enquiries he was making about the Street Lane development. Martin Farrington, Director of Development was finally looking into the matter personally.

63.5 Various emails from resident Lisa Sunderland and Public Rights of Way regarding the overgrown state of Footpath 16. Discussion took place about Gildersome footpaths in general, and it was decided that Councillors Nixon and Johnson would join the Footpath Team.

64.0 Speed Awareness Sub-Group

64.1 Councillor Bailey advised that the Parish Council were awaiting confirmation of the location of the new S.I.D. He also stated that he was making enquiries regarding the types of S.I.D, as Drighlington Parish Council appeared to move their device quite frequently. Councillor Bailey also had concerns regarding levels of funding different councils contributed. **It was decided that the Clerk should contact Drighlington Parish Council on both points.** Councillor Mulvany considered that the S.I.D should be moved to Street Lane, as people were becoming complacent about its siting on Town Street. Councillor Johnson enquired about the feedback of data, and if it was required. Councillor Jones considered it to be essential. Councillor Nixon offered to help with the problem of data retrieval.

64.2 Councillor Bailey confirmed the roads requiring urgent repair to be Street Lane and College Road, and stated that Councillor Finnigan had already actioned this request.

65.0 Planter Sub-Group

65.1 Councillor Jones considered that all the new planters and troughs in the village looked perfect at the Scarecrow Festival.

65.2 Councillor Brown thanked all councillors who had helped with the planting. She stated that Natural Stone had offered to donate a stone trough as a thank you for the number Gildersome had purchased. **It was agreed that a small plaque with the company's name on be placed on the trough, along with an article on the website.** It was suggested that the additional trough be sited on the tree statue green.

65.3 Councillor Haigh stated that he had had compiled a list of wooden planters, tubs and troughs and emailed it to all councillors.

65.4 Councillor Cook advised that Innergy LPG Ltd had made enquiries about sponsoring a planter. Information regarding prices would be sent to them.

66.0 3gs Enforcement

66.1 Councillor Finnigan, despite resistance from LCC, was in the process of sorting out the Enforcement issue. He was hoping for an urgent meeting this week.

67.0 Safety Fencing

67.1 The Clerk confirmed that the cost for the additional safety fencing at the playground would be £2420, with Councillor Finnigan funding 50 percent of this. It was agreed to go ahead with the installation.

68.0 MUGA Update

68.1 Councillor Jones stated that, despite the negative response from Lottery Funding Paul Cook and Councillor Finnigan were pursuing the application for funding, and were in the process of arranging a meeting with the Lottery chief and Andrea Jenkyns.

69.0 Flossmore Way Park

69.1 Councillor Gettings stated that 2 quotes had been received for initial clearance work at Flossmore Park, with one at just over £500 for 2 days work seeming acceptable. Councillor Jones advised that the Finance Committee had suggested that the owner of the park could apply for a grant of £250. This, with funding from Councillor Finnigan, would cover the cost of the initial clearance. Councillor Jones considered that this contribution was sufficient, as the Parish Council did not know the scale of commitment required in the future, and the uncertainty of the situation with residents was a cause for concern. Councillor Finnigan would continue to liaise with Jonathan Graves and residents. This option of a grant was agreed upon by all.

69.2 Councillor Jones suggested that this formula could be proposed for work on the trees at Forest Bank. All councillors agreed.

70.0 Action Plan

70.1 Past/Future Events

The Scarecrow Festival was deemed to have, once again, been a huge success.

It was Councillor Jones's suggestion to give thought to projects for the future. He requested that it be put on the Agenda for September. **Councillor Nixon to put on Facebook requests for resident's ideas.**

70.2 Footpaths

It was noted that there had been two issues on Facebook regarding the state of footpaths 139 and 19. Councillor Nixon asked if it would be feasible to have our own working party. Discussion took place but there was no firm decision.

70.3 Landscape Project

Councillor Cook advised that there was more work to be done at Branch End, and **she would be consulting with Steven Heywood.**

71.0 Planning

71.1 Councillor Cook listed all applications and decisions for June.

71.2 Councillor Cook stated that the number of flats at the Paddock had been reduced to 15, but there was no extra parking. Councillor Brown hoped that the design would be appropriate to the area, but as yet there were not any plans available.

71.3 Councillor Cook advised that Riva Homes had produced new plans. These indicated that the properties were further back, a better design and incorporating the use of some of the old stone. The access to the road, however, was still an issue with no turning circle.

72.0 Finance

72.1 The Parish Clerk advised the balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stood at : £23,988.89

72.2 Cheques sent out this month are as follows:

Colour Your Garden/Street Lane Landscaping	2019.54
Brosnans/Payroll	6.00
4 th (Gildersome) Morley Cub Pack/Grant	250.00
K.Cook (JTF) Compost	142.29
Urban Planters/Wooden Planters	1638.00
Natural Stone/Troughs	700.00
Brosnans/Year End Payroll	162.00
P.May/June Pay	158.40
P.Brown/Plants	79.63
L.Gettings/Bain Marie	<u>135.00</u>
	5290.86

72.3 Payments made via Bankline:

HMRC	39.60
Bankline Fee	0.40
TOTAL	5330.86

72.4 Payments Received:

LCC/Paths Partnership Grant	675.00
Snowycones/Donation Scarecrow Festival	50.00

72.5 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at £8241.10

72.6 Councillor Jones advised that the Finance Committee had reviewed the Clerk's salary and hours. It was their proposal that the rate of pay move up a scale, and there be an increase from 20 hours per month to 28 hours. This proposal was agreed upon.

73.0 Applications for Grant

73.1 A request for a grant had been received from Gildersome Ladies Rounders Team. A grant of £250 was agreed upon.

74.0 Date of Next Meeting

74.1 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 5th September 2017 at 7.00pm in the Meeting Hall.

