

# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018

## Present

Councillor K. Bailey	Councillor S. Kimberley
Councillor G. Haigh	Councillor E. Knight
Councillor C. Johnson	Councillor L. Rawson
Councillor S. Jones	Councillor C. Taylor

## 81.0 Apologies for Absence

81.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Brown, Cook, Gettings, Mulvany, and Finnigan, MBI Caseworker.

## Attendance of a Resident

Two residents attended the Meeting.

Mr Ken Kitney expressed concerns over the proposed closure of Gildersome Library, as he considered it to be important to the village. Councillor Jones explained that the decision had been taken by Leeds City Council as part of a general library closure programme. Councillor Jones stated that the Parish Council were looking at the possibility of taking over the management of the Meeting Hall in the future, but had limited powers in relation to LCC.

Mr Graham Heald had two enquiries. One involved the surface of the proposed MUGA. Councillor Jones advised that the Parish Council was a long way off from raising funds for the MUGA, and surfaces for such a facility catered for all sports, not just football. The second enquiry related to the Industrial Development on Gelderd Road, and potential long term flooding problems. Councillor Jones explained that the Parish Council had raised many issues with Leeds City Council during the application process. He felt that the drainage ponds and other strategies put in place by the developers were meant to alleviate any potential flooding problems. Mr Heald wished it to be noted that he was not happy with the actions of LCC.

## 82.0 Anti-Social Behaviour/Policing Issues/Speeding Issues

82.1 Sgt Neil Matthews and PCSO Adele Blyth attended the meeting, with Sgt Matthews advising that he was the new permanent sergeant for this area. Sgt Matthews reported on the crime figures for September, stating that there had been 5 residential and 2 commercial burglaries. There had been no vehicle crime. There had been 2 reports of anti-social behaviour, one involving the shooting of an air rifle in Vicarage Avenue, and one a report of stones thrown from a vehicle in Scott Green.

82.2 Councillor Haigh enquired about the burglary on Church Street where there had been considerable damage to the property on entry, and a vehicle stolen. Sgt Matthew advised that there was good news regarding this offence, and the Police were seeking to arrest a suspect from outside the area. Sgt Matthews stated that they would contact the owners of the property to follow up the enquiry.

82.3 Councillor Jones enquired if there had been any investigations by PCSO Tolhurst into the nuisance parking outside MT Motors at Town End. Sgt Matthews advised that he would check.

82.4 Mr Kitney and Mr Heald wished to thank the Police for their actions at individual incidents.

82.5 It should be noted that the Police returned later in the meeting to report that they had followed

up two issues immediately. They had visited the owner of the stolen vehicle mentioned in Item 82.2, and also MT Motors. They reported a successful outcome at both. Councillor Jones thanked them on behalf of the Parish Council.

### **83.0 Declaration of Interest**

83.1 There were no declarations of interest.

### **84.0 Chair's Remarks**

84.1 There were non.

### **85.0 Minutes of the Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

85.1 The Minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record, apart from Item 76.1 where “times of sale” should read “times of serving”.

85.2 Matters Arising

Item 68.2 Councillor Jones reminded the Council of the arrangements for Morley Arts Festival.  
Item 76.1 Councillor Jones requested that Councillors should email Councillor R Gettings regarding their availability for Poppy Selling.

### **86.0 Correspondence**

86.1 The Clerk listed the correspondence for September.

86.2 An email from Janice Bruce concerning the state of Flossmore Playground and the accumulation of rubbish. The Clerk had referred the matter onto Councillor Finnigan, and he had contacted Enforcement.

86.3 Alison Roclawski, a teacher at Gildersome Primary School requested information about Gildersome and World War 1 and 2. The Clerk advised her to contact Clive McManus of Morley History Society.

86.4 Following yet another accident at the top of Finkle Lane Jan McQuire contacted the Parish Council suggesting that a mirror was put in place. The Clerk advised her that LCC were reluctant to install such mirrors, but the Parish Council were monitoring all accidents at this junction.

86.5 Councillor Finnigan forwarded two emails relating to the Meeting Hall. 1) Martin Dean stating that the Parish Council’s ‘letter of intent’ would go before the Asset Management Board in early October. 2) Sarn Warbis stating that there was a site meeting with Yorkshire Containers at the end of September to discuss the new location, base and installation of the container.

86.6 Emails from Chris Simpson, Bereavement Services Manager, regarding the War Memorial. This to be discussed in Agenda Item 90.0.

86.7 Correspondence from Stefano Basilico, at Andrea Jenkyn’s Office, advising that he is willing to follow up possible negotiations with Lidl regarding various issues on the industrial development.

86.8 Highways updates : Yorkshire Water outside the Baptist Church 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October/Two-way signals outside 21 Town Street for work by Northern Gas 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> October.

86.9 A thank you note from the Gildersome Singers for the grant of £200.

## **87.0 Christmas Lights/Decorations for Street Lane Shops**

87.1 Councillor Kimberley reported that he had contacted Councillor Hutchison regarding installing lights in some of the trees on the Green, and that a site meeting could be arranged for one Saturday. This was agreed upon.

87.2 The Clerk gave details of costing for installing Christmas Lighting Decorations at the Street Lane shops. Discussion took place, and it was felt that because of the many issues which would need to be resolved the Council were not in favour of undertaking this project.

87.3 Councillor Jones stated that two quotes had been received from Phil Hird, the designer and installer of the Christmas sign outside the Meeting Hall. Refurbishment and installation of the existing sign would be £455, and a complete overall with new letters, LED's, transformers and lighting controllers would be £985. Following discussion it was decided that due to the age of the sign, the latter was the better option. This was agreed upon.

## **88.0 Upkeep of the Playground**

88.1 The Clerk confirmed that work at the Playground was scheduled for this month.

## **89.0 Little Library**

89.1 Due to Councillor Nixon's absence there was no update.

## **90.0 Joint Environmental Plan for Gildersome**

90.1 Councillor Jones put forward a proposal from Councillor R Gettings that a working party of Morley and Gildersome Councillors could be formed to work together on joint landscape projects. Councillor Kimberley considered that the Parish Council should be receiving support from Ward Councillors, but not look to form a partnership. Discussion took place and it was unanimously decided that the Parish Council should continue work independently on landscape projects.

## **91.0 Action Plan**

91.1 Past and Future Event

Remembrance Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 : Councillor Jones reported on a site visit at the War Memorial with Chris Simpson. He stated that the Memorial had been built in 1923 by the then Gildersome Council, and LCC were now the trustees. It was not listed, but any work on it required the permission of Leeds, the War Memorial Trust and War Museum. Councillor Jones had contacted the latter two, but had not yet received a reply. He stated that Chris Simpson had suggested asking the Ward Councillors for funding to undertake the professional cleaning required. The problem of displaying the Tommy Statue on Remembrance Sunday was discussed. Adopting a temporary measure by mounting it on a plinth was suggested, or if attaching it to the Memorial was refused completely, to have a large stone put on the Green on which to attach the 'Tommy'. The Clerk to contact David Cowburn regarding the latter. Councillor Bailey also suggested having another outline cut in steel to reinforce the 'Tommy'.

Light-Up Night : A vote was taken on the serving of the mulled wine. It was agreed unanimously to serve it from the beginning of the evening. Councillor Kimberley also agreed to make some cider.

## 91.2 Footpaths

Councillor Knight advised that there was nothing to report.

## 91.3 Landscape Project

The Clerk to contact Councillor Brown with regard to the autumn planting.

## 92.0 Planning

92.1 Councillor Haigh listed all applications and decisions for September.

92.2 Councillor Haigh confirmed that the Reserved Matters Application for the Gelderd Road Industrial Development had been approved, and thanked the Clerk for speaking at the Plans Panel meeting. Councillor Bailey stated that as the new layout for the units was considerably different to the layout in Outline Planning, and he thought that there should be a new Noise Assessment Survey. It was agreed to support the residents of Belle Vue Terrace in their efforts to monitor this, and other issues. The Clerk to contact Councillor Anderson, a Plans Panel member, who had raised concerns at the meeting.

## 93.0 Finance

93.1 July -The Clerk advised that the balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: **£32,188.89**

93.2 Cheques sent out this month are as follow:

Glasdon/Memorial Seat	1,192.74
LCC/Meeting Hall Hire	10.00
Gildersome Baptist Church/Grant	250.00
Gildersome Singers/Grant	200.00
P.May/Petty Cash	100.00
P.May/September Salary	234.56
P.May/Ink Cartridges	<u>18.16</u>
	<b>2005.46</b>

93.3 Payments made via Bankline

HMRC	58.60
Bankline Fee	<u>0.80</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2064.46</b>

93.4 Payments Received

S.Kirk/Memorial Seat	993.95
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93.5 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at : £9344.72

## 94.0 Applications for Grants

94.1 The 1<sup>st</sup> Gildersome Brownies applied for a grant of £240 for resources. This was awarded.

## 95.0 Date of Next Meeting

95.1 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm in the Meeting Hall.

