

# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019

## Present

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

Councillor A. Hutchison and Councillor T. Leadley (MBI)

## Attendance of a Resident

Joan Keene, a resident at Scott Green, suggested that details of activities available at the different Churches and groups within Gildersome could be listed in the Parish Newsletter. She was concerned that older people, especially, found it difficult to source this information. Councillor Jones stated that the Parish Council would consider this in the future.

## 141.0 Apologies for Absence

141.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Gettings, Johnson and Finnigan.

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

142.1 The Police were absent at the beginning of the meeting but arrived later, and reported on the crime figures for January. PCSO J. MacGregor stated that there had been a big increase in burglaries within Gildersome, and surrounding areas. There had been 10 burglary dwellings, with both property and vehicles stolen. In some burglaries the suspects wore masks, and occupants had been in the houses. PCSO MacGregor advised that it may be an organized crime group from the Bradford area, and officer hours had been extended to provide extra resources. The Police were advising residents to install stronger security locks on doors and use a basic 'crook lock' on steering wheels.

142.2 Councillor Bailey suggested that a previous campaign promoting secure locks on doors might be repeated.

## 143.0 Declaration of Interest

143.1 There were no declarations of interest.

## 144.0 Chair's Remarks

144.1 There were non.

## 145.0 Minutes of the Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

145.1 The Minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

## 145.2 Matters Arising

Item 132.5 Councillor Hutchison explained the difficulties of obtaining permission to be involved with Police surveillance and speed monitoring activities. He would, however, make enquiries at his next meeting with Sgt Matthews.

## 146.0 Correspondence

146.1 The Clerk listed the correspondence for January.

146.2 A re-drafted Agreement for the Provision of the Enforcement Officer.

146.3 An email from resident Mark Wilkinson expressing concerns regarding the opening hours of the newly refurbished Griffin.

146.4 Details of the Northern Powergrid mains cabling replacements works on Gelderd Road.

146.5 Confirmation that the final tax base figure for 2019/20 stands at the amount stated in December, as £1,863.

146.6 Updates from Councillor Hutchison regarding the roadworks at Gildersome Interchange. These were posted on our Facebook page.

146.7 Councillor Cook's email regarding the alterations to the Leeds/Huddersfield Bus Service involving the cancellation of the 209 route. A meeting had been arranged with Ward and Parish Councillors and Arriva on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm. Councillor Cook to attend.

146.8 Morley Town Council Annual Report.

146.9 Correspondence from Councillor Finnigan confirming that Mandeep Flora, Traffic Engineering Section, was now processing the HGV ban for Gildersome.

146.10 Confirmation from Councillor Finnigan of the hire of the Meeting Hall for Parish Council Meetings from April 2019 to March 2020.

## 147.0 Upkeep of the Playground

147.1 The Clerk stated that Michelle Glover (Parks and Countryside) had advised Councillor Finnigan that they were looking into carrying out the jet washing work themselves, as it would be cheaper.

147.2 Councillor Brown reported that she had purchased various insect decorations to put on the railings. She suggested that it would best to do so in Spring. This was agreed upon.

## 148.0 Planter Sub-Group

148.1 Councillor Brown advised that she has made a number of enquiries regarding the purchase of the Christmas trees to plant around the village. She felt that the best option was to have them supplied by Russell Dougherty, who was experienced in tree management. He would supply 20 trees, each about 1 metre tall, and plant and water them for £450. Councillor Jones proposed this option and it was agreed upon. Councillor Hutchison suggested consulting with Michelle Glover at Parks and Countryside. Councillor Bailey had concerns regarding the contract grass cutters and possible damage.

## 149.0 Little Library

149.1 Councillor Jones congratulated Councillor Nixon on the installation and success of the 2 Little Libraries, which were popular and well used. Councillor Nixon requested funding to purchase some accessories for the libraries. Councillor Hutchison offered to make a MICE donation of £50, which was gratefully accepted.

## 150.0 Meeting Hall

150.1 The Clerk confirmed that, despite Sarn Warbis promising to update the Parish Council following a meeting with Assett Management on 16<sup>th</sup> January, no information had been received. Councillor Bailey expressed his concerns about the £360.000 ever being released by Leeds City Council. Extensive discussion took place relating to the various issues involved. Councillor Jones stressed the need to move forward, and follow up the response to the Business Plan with the help of Ward Councillors.

150.2 Councillor Bailey also had concerns regarding the time delay in moving the container. Councillor Hutchison proposed some help by intervening in this matter and liaising with Gildersome Primary, LCC and contractors

## 151.0 Action Plan

151.1 Past and Future Events

A budget of £100 was proposed and agreed upon to cover additional expenses for the Easter Egg Hunt on 21<sup>st</sup> April. Councillor Nixon to organize.

The date for Light-Up Night was confirmed as Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

151.2 Footpaths

Councillor Knight advised that there was nothing to report.

151.3 Landscape Project

Councillor Cook advised that there was nothing to report.

## 152.0 Planning

152.1 Councillor Cook listed all applications and decisions for January.

152.2 Councillors Leadley stated that consultations were now open on Leeds City Council's Site Allocation Plan. He advised that the Parish Council may wish to support the modifications put forward, which involved 3 sites being retained within the Green Belt. The Clerk to do so.

## 153.0 Finance/Budget Review

153.1 The Clerk advised that the balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: **£14,652.06**

153.2 Cheques sent out this month are as follow:

P.May/January Salary	<u>234.56</u>
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153.3 Payments made via Bankline:

HMRC	58.80
Bankline Fee	0.40
Leeds LFL / Little Library x2	<u>1400.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1692.96</b>

153.4 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at:  
£19,347.05

### **154.0 Applications for Grants**

154.1 There were no applications for grants.

### **155.0 Date of Next Meeting**

155.1 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.00pm in the Meeting Hall.

