

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2nd April 2019

Present

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

Councillor R. Finnigan MBI

173.0 Apologies for Absence

173.1 Apologies were received from Councillor Bailey

174.0 Anti-Social Behaviour/Policing Issues/Speeding Issues

174.1 The police did not attend this meeting.

175.0 Declaration of Interest

175.1 There were no declarations of interest.

176.0 Chair's Remarks

176.1 Councillor Jones thanked Councillor Nixon for mentoring Duke of Edinburgh Award student Zach, and the excellent work involving litter picking.

176.2 Councillor Gettings distributed letters from the Election Office confirming each Councillor's nomination.

177.0 Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th March 2019

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

177.2 There were no Matters Arising.

178.0 Correspondence

178.1 The Clerk listed the correspondence for March.

178.2 An email from Jane Stone, Environmental Action Officer, regarding the fly-tipping at Vicarage Avenue. She confirmed that the land was partly owned by Finnings, and hoped eventually that the land may be fenced off. A rodent problem was currently being dealt with.

178.3 An email from Roy Greaux, Parks and Countryside re the planting of the Christmas trees in various areas of the village.

178.4 Notification from Victoria Hinchcliffe, Planning Department, that they had received an

application from CDP Ltd for a substation on the Gelderd Road industrial development.

178.5 Also relating to the industrial development, a report from Planning Enforcement, stating that planting had not been undertaken on the other side of the acoustic fence.

178.6 Confirmation from Lettings of the new start time for the Parish Council Meetings.

178.7 The Annual Report to Full Council: Standards and Conduct Committee 2018/19

178.8 An update on the Improvement Works at Junction 27 and 28.

178.9 A revised copy of Morley Town Council Annual Report.

178.10 Highways Update : Scott Green opposite house number 95/Yorkshire Water/9th April.

178.11 Weekly updates from the Enforcement Officer.

178.12 An email from resident Simon Jessop regarding an incident of anti-social behaviour involving the throwing of eggs.

178.13 Notification that all future LCC funded places at Stone Gables Care Home have been suspended due to concerns identified by CQC and the Adults & Health Contract Team.

179.0 Upkeep of the Playground

179.1 Councillor Finnigan confirmed that it had been arranged for a specialist firm to undertake the work during the first two weeks of April. He also stated that he had requested the jet-washing of the bottle banks at the same time.

179.2 Councillor Jones thanked Councillor Brown for purchasing, and Graham Brown for attaching the decorative butterflies and geckos to the railing of the Playground, stating that there had been numerous positive comments.

179.3 Councillor Brown suggested that some repainting work was required on the railing and shelter around the skateboard area, and rather than using black paint again, rainbow colours would brighten up the playground. Councillor Finnigan to contact Michelle Glover at Parks and Countryside.

180.0 Planter Sub-Group

180.1 Councillor Jones thanked Councillor Brown for organising the purchase and planting of the Christmas trees around the village. Councillor Brown expressed the wish that children might adopt a tree and help to decorate and water it when necessary.

180.2 Councillor Haigh advised that some areas of planting at the Street Lane site were sparse, and required extra shrubs and plants. It was agreed that he should undertake replacement planting.

181.0 Newsletter

181.0 Councillor Nixon stated that she had prepared a copy of the Newsletter in its new format. This was passed round for all Councillors to view, and included photographs as well as news items. Councillor Gettings advised that it would go to print on Monday 8th April, and delivery would take place a week later. It was decided to increase the number of copies ordered.

182.0 Great British Litter Campaign

182.1 Councillor Nixon confirmed that a Litter Pick had been arranged for Saturday 6th April at the Suffield Pond area. This to commence at 11.00am.

183.0 Meeting Hall

183.1 Councillor Finnigan stated that LCC were looking at the plans and costings, and hoped that this review would be complete by the end of April.

184.0 Action Plan

184.1 Past and Future Events

Councillor Nixon confirmed that preparations for the Easter Egg Hunt were underway, and it was agreed that Councillors and volunteers able to help would meet at 12.00pm on Sunday 23rd April.

Councillor Haigh raised his concerns with regard to running 9 electrical items from 2 sockets with extensions. He proposed the purchase of 2 new 4 socket extensions, and this was agreed upon.

Councillor Gettings to purchase 6 new flasks to use at the various events.

184.2 Footpaths

Councillor Knight advised that he was meeting with David Cowburn the following week to discuss the footpath maintenance programme.

184.3 Landscape Project

Councillor Cook advised that there was nothing to report, and Councillor Jones suggested removing this item from the Agenda. Councillor Taylor raised his concerns about the untidy state of the wild flower area at Branch End, particularly as this was a main entrance to the village. A number of Councillors concurred with this view. Councillor Jones suggested that Councillor Taylor and the Planter Sub-Group give some thought to possible improvements.

185.0 Planning

185.1 Councillor Cook listed all applications and decisions for March.

185.2 Councillor Brown raised the matter of a fatality on Asquith Avenue, and the implications around the construction of a new access road for the industrial site. She stated that the new bollard in the centre of the road was unlit, and street lighting was switched off after midnight. Councillor Finnigan to contact LCC Street Lighting.

186.0 Finance

186.1 The Clerk advised that the balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: **£16,151.50**

186.2 Cheques sent out this month are as follow:

P.May/Avast Security	29.99
RD Forestry/Christmas Trees	540.00
P.May/March Salary	<u>234.56</u>
	804.55

186.3 Payments made via Bankline:

HMRC	58.60
Bankline Fee	<u>0.40</u>
TOTAL	863.55

186.4 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at:

£19,347.05

186.5 The Clerk advised that the Internal Auditor, Ken Stephenson, would be undertaking the Parish Council's Annual Audit on 18th April.

186.6 Councillor Jones gave the Council details of a new finance software package recommended by the SLCC. He explained that it created secure finance records using Cloud, and was GDPR, HMRC, and External Audit compatible. Councillor Jones proposed the purchase of the Scribe Software Package at £257 per annum, and it was seconded by Councillor Kimberley. The purchase was agreed upon

187.0 Applications for Grants

187.1 There were no applications for grants.

188.0 Date of Next Meeting

188.1 The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 7.30pm in the Meeting Hall.

