

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6th April 2021

(Due to Covid 19 restrictions this was a remote meeting via Zoom)

Present

Councillor K. Bailey	Councillor G. Haigh
Councillor D. Barker	Councillor S. Jones
Councillor J. Bellhouse	Councillor E. Knight
Councillor P. Brown	Councillor C. Nixon
Councillor K. Cook	Councillor L. Rawson
Councillor L. Gettings	

70.0 Apologies for Absence

70.1 Apologies were received from Councillor Finnigan MBI

71.0 Declaration of Interest

71.1 There were no declarations of interest.

72.0 Register of Interests

72.1 Councillor Jones reminded all Councillors to update the Clerk regarding any changes.

73.0 Chair's Remarks

73.1 Councillor Jones welcomed Jonathan Moxon, who was joining the meeting as an observer.

74.0 Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd February 2021

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

74.2 Matters Arising:

61.2 Councillor Brown considered that it might be preferable to have the parking signs moved closer to the road, rather than placing stones, as suggested at the last meeting. Councillor Finnigan to make enquiries with Parks and Countryside.

63.1 The Clerk advised that it was not possible to purchase the old telephone boxes from the GPO. Councillor Jones proposed looking into the purchase of one independently. This was agreed upon.

75.0 Correspondence

75.1 Details of Correspondence for March had been sent out by the Clerk prior to the meeting.

75.2 The Clerk provided further information on two items of Correspondence:

1. The Clerk advised that following further conversations and emails the issue involving 'idling bus engines' had not been resolved. Discussion took place and it was

decided to let Councillor Finnigan pursue the matter, and try and arrange a meeting with Arriva, and perhaps involve Enforcement. It was also suggested that posters be placed in the bus shelters, as a reminder to drivers.

2. The Clerk noted a late addition to correspondence. A resident had requested street signage at the bottom of Harthill Rise, and Traffic Management were to address this matter.

76.0 Dates and Management of Future Meeting

76.1 The Clerk advised that virtual meetings could probably no longer be held after the 6th May 2021. This was due to Government legislation, and the lack of Parliamentary debating time for the matter to be discussed and reviewed. The next Parish Council Meeting would be held on 4th May via Zoom, and this would include the AGM. Plus, the AGAR could be approved by the full Council, and subsequently signed by the Chair and Clerk.

76.2 Discussion took place regarding the provision of suitable venues for future Parish Council meetings. It was unlikely that the Meeting Hall would be available due to the planned refurbishment work. The Baptist Church and St Peters were suggested as possible venues.

76.3 It was proposed, as a precautionary measure, that the Clerk could adopt Delegated Powers in the event of physical meeting being suspended. This was agreed upon.,

77.0 Future Projects: Ideas

77.1 Councillor Bellhouse updated the Council on her proposals for Gildersome's First Annual Garage/Table Top Sale. The advertising would be done via Facebook and posters, with a route map of houses taking part prepared prior to the event. It was agreed to hold the Sale on the Bank Holiday, Monday 3rd May, between 10.00am and 2.00pm

77.2 Councillor Brown considered that we should plant new young trees as part of a plan for the future. It was agreed that as the planting season was nearing an end, this would take place in Autumn/Winter. Councillor Haigh stated that designated areas, and types of trees could be selected over the next few months.

77.3 The Clerk advised that Councillor Finnigan had confirmed that he would match fund the tree planting project.

78.0 Footpath 26

78.1 Councillor Knight confirmed that Leeds City Council had agreed that the footpath needs cutting back, and he was waiting for them to make a site visit. The Council appear to want to undertake the work, but David Cowburn would be available if needed, though this would require Parish Council funding. Any work undertaken would have to be delayed until after the bird nesting season.

78.2 Councillor Brown reported an issue with black bags being piled up on the Greenside footpath. Councillor Knight stated that a builder had left them, but he had been told to clear them.

79.0 Easter: Virtual Easter Bonnet Competition: Review

79.1 Councillor Jones thanked Councillor Nixon for all of the work she had done in organising the Competition, as it had obviously been a huge success. Councillor Nixon confirmed this, stating that there had been 41 entries, all of a very high standard, and both parents and children had enjoyed taking part.

80.0 Litter Picking Project: Update

80.1 Councillor Jones also thanked Councillor Nixon for her work in organising the Litter Picking Project. Councillor Nixon reported that the Purple Bag Scheme had really taken off, and she had distributed over 100 purple bags. Councillor Nixon mentioned that Gildersome can also take part in the Great British Spring Clean, held in May.

81.0 Planning

81.1 Councillor Cook confirmed that she had prepared a list of all applications and decisions for March. This had been sent to all Councillors prior to the meeting, and posted on the Parish Council's website.

81.2 Councillor Cook reported that the application for a sign at Branch End had been withdrawn.

82.0 Finance

(The Clerk had sent out the following Finance Report prior to the Meeting.)

82.1 The balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: £845.90

82.2 Payments made via Bankline:

HMRC/January PAYE	95.20
C.Gamble/KreativeInc/Monthly Host Fee	10.00
S.Jones/Zoom Account/Monthly Fee	14.39
P.May/Transfer to Petty Cash	100.00
KreativeInc/Quarterly Maintenance Fee	50.00
Bankline Fee	2.40
P.May/March Salary plus Backpay	<u>712.05</u>
	984.04

TOTAL 984.04

82.3 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at: £24,428.96

82.4 The Clerk confirmed that the Precept of £23980.00 and the CTS Grant of £1442.00 would be paid into the Parish Council's account in April.

82.5 The Clerk advised that the Internal Auditor, Ken Stephenson, would carry out his Audit on Thursday 8th April 2021.

83.0 Date of Next Meeting

83.1 The next Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 4th May 2021, at 7.00pm

83.2 This will be the AGM followed by a Council Meeting.

