## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10th May 2022

#### Present

Councillor D. Barker Councillor E. Knight
Councillor J. Bellhouse Councillor J. Moxon
Councillor P. Brown Councillor C. Nixon
Councillor G. Haigh

Councillor S. Jones

Councillor R. Finnigan MBI

## **10.0** Apologies for Absence

10.1 Apologies were received from Councillors Cook, Gettings and Bailey.

### 11.0 Declaration of Interest

11.1 Councillor Moxon declared that he was an employee of Leeds City Council.

## **12.0** Register of Interest

12.1 Councillor Jones requested that councillors notify the Clerk of any changes.

# 13.0 Police: Monthly Report

13.1 The Police had notified the Clerk that they would be unable to attend, and emailed a list of reported crimes. This is as follows:

Burglary Business – 2 Burglary Residential -1 Theft from Motor Vehicle - 5 Theft of Motor Vehicle - 3 Criminal Damage – 2

13.2 The Parish Council's concern about drug related issues in Gildersome was being raised at the Police Task Meetings with Ward Councillors.

#### 14.0 Chair's Remarks

14.1 There were non.

# 15.0 Minutes of Meeting held on 5th April 2022

15.1 The Minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record, apart from Councillor Knight being listed as present at the meeting.

### 15.2 Matters Arising:

Item 168.1 The Clerk advised that proposed schemes for the District Improvement Grant had been circulated and Councillor Finnigan was going to follow up.

## 16.0 Correspondence

- 16.1 Details of Correspondence for April had been sent out by the Clerk prior to the meeting.
- 16.2 The Clerk advised that there had been 3 additional items of Correspondence.
  - 1. Information regarding the SID on Town Street.
  - 2. Closure of College Road 6th-20th June/ British Gas.
  - 3. A request from Meryll Wilford of the Civic Trust, for help with a Heritage Walk in Gildersome on 11<sup>th</sup> September. Councillor Brown to contact Mrs Wilford.

## 17.0 Village Maintenance

- 17.1 The Clerk reported that a resident had put forward a request to purchase 2 memorial seats, and place them on the Green. These would replace the damaged seats. It was also possible that an insurance claim for the damage would enable 2 more seats to be purchased. These would be sited on the Street Lane playing fields near the MUGA, along with the spare seat from Church Avenue.
- 17.2 Councillor Jones stated that Stephen Heywood had offered to take on the landscape maintenance work at Street Lane. Initially it might be costly, as there was a lot of groundwork clearance and improvement required. Councillor Moxon offered to liaise with Stephen Heywood to look at future options for the drainage of the area.
- 17.3 It was agreed to replace a dead cherry tree at Griffin Corner as soon as possible.

### **18.0** Landscape Projects

18.1 Councillor Brown advised that work was on hold until after the Platinum Jubilee.

#### 19.0 Highways Issues

- 19.1 The Clerk confirmed that the damaged HGV sign was to be replaced, and advised that the Police had been undertaking checks to monitor HGV's travelling through Gildersome.
- 19.2 It was also confirmed that a new Enforcement Officer had been appointed.
- 19.3 Discussion took place regarding the SID devices in the village. It was decided to turn the Town Street SID back to its original position. The purchase of an extra SID was suggested. This to be placed near No 13 Town Street. Locating a SID below the Griffin, and relocating the Scott Green SID were other options considered.

## 20.0 Approval of Annual Governance Statement & Accounting Statements

- 20.1 The Annual Governance Statement 2021/22 was approved by the Parish Council, and duly signed by the Chair and Clerk.
- 20.2 The Accounting Statement 2021/22 was approved by the Parish Council, and duly signed by the Chair and Clerk.

#### 21.0 Future Events

- 21.1 Councillor Bellhouse listed the itinerary and activities for the Jubilee Event on Sunday  $5^{\rm th}$  June. This was discussed and confirmed.
- 21.2 Councillor Brown confirmed that the blossom tree to mark the Jubilee would be planted before June.
- $21.3\,$  Discussion took place regarding the delayed refurbishment of the Meeting Hall. It was decided that the Scarecrow Festival on  $18^{th}$  September would go ahead, with or without the use of the Meeting Hall.

## 22.0 Footpaths

22.1 The Clerk advised that she had investigated Councillor Moxon's proposal of putting an updated map on the website. Parks and Countryside had sent one, but OS copyright regulations must be observed. Councillor Bellhouse will look to put this on the website after the Jubilee Event, along with footpath information and a request for residents to email photographs.

# 23.0 Planning

- 23.1 Councillor Cook had prepared a list of all applications and decisions for March. These had been sent to all councillors prior to the meeting and posted on the Parish Council's website.
- 23.2 Councillor Finnigan confirmed that the application for two more units on the Gelderd Road Industrial Estate was to go to Plans Panel. Councillor Barker had prepared a very comprehensive letter of objection for the Parish Council. Councillor Finnigan was also still pursuing the construction of a layby for the allotments and promised a number of years ago.
- 23.3 The refusal of the planning application at Spring Villas was discussed.

#### 24.0 Finance

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

### Finance Report - April 2022

- 24.1 The balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: £35,192.95
- 24.2 Payments made via Bankline:

HMRC/March PAYE	98.00
KreativeInc/Monthly Host Fee	10.00
Brosnans/Payroll	72.00
Yorkshire Internal Audit Service	280.00
B. Haigh/Garden Help	85.00
P.May/Norton Anti-Virus Renewal	17.49
Bankline Fee	2.40
	564.89

LCC/Precept and CTS Grant

24.681.00

- 24.4 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at: £24,433.10
- 24.5 The Internal Audit was completed and approved by Ken Stephenson, Yorkshire Internal Audit Services on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022.
- 24.6 The Clerk advised that the CIL payment of £6,484.95, due to be paid to the Parish Council for the development off Street Lane would not be forth coming in April, as Eternal Homes had still not paid the CIL contribution to Leeds City Council. Legal action was being taken

# 25.0 Grant Application

25.1 There were non.

# 26.0 Date of Next Meeting

26.1 The next Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm, at Gildersome Primary School.