

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7th March 2023

Present

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

Councillor R. Finnigan MBI

156.0 Apologies for Absence

156.1 Non. All councillors attended the meeting.

157.0 Declaration of Interest

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

158.0 Police: Monthly Report

158.1 PCSO Debbie Watson attended the meeting.

158.2 The Crime Report was as follows:

Robbery – 0

Burglary Residential – 0

Burglary Commercial – An attempted theft from Turners Repairs.

Theft of Motor Vehicles – 2 cars/3 bikes

Theft from Motor Vehicles – 1

158.3 Councillor Brown reported on some suspicious activity around Gildersome Meeting Hall.

159.0 Chair's Remarks

159.1 There were non.

160.0 Minutes of Meetings held 7th February 2023

160.1 The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7th February were agreed as a true and accurate record.

160.2 Matter Arising: Councillor Brown wished to make comment with regards to Item 146.0 Meeting Hall Update/Community Hub, but as her comment were not specific to the Items discussed Councillor Jones stated that it would have to be put on the April Agenda. Councillor Gettings reiterated that it was the responsibility of Lettings and Leeds City Council to run the Meeting Hall.

161.0 Correspondence

161.1 Details of Correspondence for February had been sent out by the Clerk prior to the meeting, and some would be discussed in Agenda items.

162.0 Letter of Complaint to CQC/Update

162.1 The Clerk advised that the CQC, the Mayor of West Yorkshire, the Crime and Police Commission, Tom Riordon CEO of Leeds and the Chief Constable of Leeds had all received and acknowledged the letter. The Clerk had also spoken with a director of ISL, Andy Kenny.

162.2 Lengthy discussion took place, the consensus being that matter needed to be pursued and ISL and the Police should be held to account in such a serious situation. Plus, it was imperative that the residents of the ISL accommodation received a high standard of care. Councillor Finnigan was pressing for an urgent meeting with Adult Social Care, NHS, the Police and ISL, as he felt that nobody wanted to take responsibility. Councillor Jones recommended holding a pre-meeting once a date had been received.

163.0 Village Maintenance

163.1 Councillor Finnigan reported that, following a site meeting with Parks and Countryside, there had been an agreement to move the trees to the football field area at the Moorlands. They would, collectively, look at giving financial support to assist in the transfer. Councillor Moxon was concerned at the danger of LCC stalling over the issue of a contribution.

163.2 Councillor Jones advised that there was still no electricity supply at the MUGA due to a problem with the contractor. Councillor Finnigan reported that he was requesting Paul Senior to put pressure on the contractor to complete the connection.

163.3 Councillor Jones stated that a site meeting was to be arranged regarding the LCP Project at the Meeting Hall.

163.4 Councillor Jones proposed that a plaque should be placed on the village hall to mark its opening by the Mayor of Leeds, Councillor Bob Gettings, following the refurbishment. This was agreed upon.

163.5 Discussion took place regarding the request to have 2 mosaics, made by the cubs, placed in the village. In order that a safe and suitable location might be chosen, the council requested that they look at the mosaics at the next meeting. The Clerk to organise.

164.0 Highways Issues

164.1 Councillor Moxon stated that he would attend the next Enforcement Meeting on Tuesday 14th March, if he was able.

165.0 Past & Future Events

165.1 Councillor Jones confirmed that the Licence for the Table Top Sale on 16th July had been approved.

165.2 Discussion took place regarding the Great British Spring Clean 17th March -2nd April. Councillor Nixon offered to walk around the village to find possible locations. It was also decided to purchase 12 new grabbers.

- 165.3 Councillor Bellhouse confirmed that she had ordered bunting for the Coronation.
- 165.4 Councillor Bailey reported that one of the gazebos needed replacing. This was agreed upon. It was also agreed to go ahead with the purchase of a new bane marie.
- 165.5 Councillor Brown advised that she was unable to take on the organisation of the catering at the Scarecrow Festival.
- 165.6 Councillor Bailey proposed the purchase of a set of extension ladders. This was agreed upon.

166.0 Mill Lane Project

- 166.1 Councillor Jones confirmed that a meeting had been arranged with Steve Almond to discuss possible structures suitable for the Mill Lane play area.
- 166.2 Councillor Cook stated she was discussing options with the company Hand Made by Ellis.
- 166.3 Details of both to be discussed at the next meeting.

167.0 Footpaths

- 167.1 Councillor Knight to contact George Cowburn regarding the footpath maintenance for 2023/24.
- 167.2 There were reports of excessive dog fouling on the footpath behind the Ashwoods to Brown Hills and at Street Lane Playing Fields. It was thought more signs were required on the footpath, and both areas to be reported at the next Enforcement meeting.

168.0 Planning

- 168.1 Councillor Cook had prepared a list of all applications and decisions for February. This had been sent out to all councillors prior to the meeting.
- 168.2 Councillor Barker confirmed that the applicant at Harthill Parade would appeal, but he did not think that he would win the appeal.

169.0 Finance

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

Finance Report - February 2023

- 169.1 The balance on the Parish Council's **Current Account** currently stands at: £21,322.96
- 169.2 Payments made via Bankline :

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| HMRC/January PAYE | 99.60 |
| Ms J Latham/Website Support | 29.30 |
| Light Media Display/Screen Deposit | 944.28 |
| Scribe Finance/Year End Check | 46.80 |

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| British Gas/Electricity/MUGA | 32.75 |
| P.May/February Salary | 398.73 |
| Beswick Horticultural Ltd/Street Lane | 579.70 |
| Bankline Fee | <u>4.40</u> |
| | 2135.56 |

169.3 The balance on the Parish Council's **Reserve Account** currently stands at: £24,518.04

170.0 Applications for Grants

170.1 There were no applications for grants.

171.0 Date of Next Meeting

171.1 The next Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday 4th April at 7.00pm, at Gildersome Meeting Hall.

