MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON Wednesday 17th November 2021

The Parish Council met on Wednesday 17th November 2021 in the Village Hall, Askrigg

Present: Cllrs. B Fawcett Chair, J Hodgson, D Teasdale, and D Scarr, A Kirkbride, G Kirkbride, Mrs K Lynch, plus 1 member of the public

The Chairman, Cllr. Fawcett, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr. Y Peacock

2. Minutes of Parish Council Meetings

Having circulated the minutes of the Parish Council on Wednesday 15th September 2021, they were confirmed as a true copy and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Any items not covered in the Agenda

None

4. Declaration of interest

Cllr. A Kirkbride - Planning

5. Highway Issues (standing item)

Cllr. Fawcett informed the meeting that a letter had been sent to the owners of Skeldale House asking they remove the vehicle parked outside Skeldale. One of the owners had spoken to Cllr Fawcett saying they had no plans to move it and felt it was an "asset to the village". A number of residents have complained about the vehicle saying it is dangerously parked and near to the entrance of Silver Street. It was agreed the clerk should contact Highways asking for a site meeting to look at the possibility of yellow lines in front of Skeldale.

6. Finance

6.1 Expenditure – resolve to pay. The following was proposed and seconded for payment.

13/09/21	d/d	HMRC	48.60
16/09/21	d/d	NYCC	21.19
28/09/21	s/o	Clerks salary	194.93
12/10/21	d/d	HMRC	48.60
12/10/21	online	Wensleydale Press	55.00
18/10/21	d/d	NYCC	21.07
26/10/21	online	NYCC (grit bins)	180.00
26/10/21	online	Keith Body	320.00
28/1021	s/o	Clerks salary	194.93

6.2 receipts

16/09/21	Parish income	504.87
21/09/21	Burial fees	360.00
08/10/21	Parish income	485.96

6.3 Parish precept 2022/23

It was agreed to keep the parish precept at £3.500

7. Planning

New Applications:

R/50/36R erection of summer house, Old Smithy, Silver Street, no objections R/50/59A single storey extension, The Cottage, Low Lane, Woodhall

Outstanding applications:

R/50/29/F Change of use of land for siting of three glamping cabins with hot tubs, Tutle House, Askrigg

R/50/66A Granny annex, Dyke House Askrigg.

The clerk asked the Parish Councillors to respond to her emails regarding planning so that an accurate response can be given to the YDNP.

8. Village Hall

The Councillors commented and agreed that the village hall is in need of a complete refurbishment. Cllr Teesdale said he had been unable to make the last meeting.

9. Church update

The Clerk was asked to write to Rev Clarke asking why the Church clock is not working/being repaired.

10. Playground

The new play equipment is expected to be installed week commencing 13th December. The old timber structure will need to be removed prior to this date. Cllr Teesdale and Mr Lynch will remove this.

11. Healthwatch

It was noted that COVID19 numbers are rising in Richmondshire. Boosters are being rolled out at Tennants.

12. Cemetery

Cllr. Scarr said he and James Scarr would remove two trees from the Cemetery which were causing some problems.

13. BAWB Foundation

Nothing to report

14. Low Mill Outdoor Centre

As a Gurden was unable to attend the meeting due to work commitments. Cllr Kirkbride told the meeting that two new instructors had been recruited and bookings were looking positive.

15. Village leaflet for new residents

Due to printing errors the leaflets had been pulled from distribution. The clerk informed the meeting that a revised copy would be published on the parish council website.

16. Public transport developments

Mrs Annison informed the meeting that the Sunday dales bus 856 service is currently funded by LNER. However, for the 12 months 2022-23 funding is currently trying to be ascertained. All parish councils along the route are being invited to contribute to help fund the service. It was acknowledge that the bus does not go through Askrigg but quite a few residents do use the service from either Bainbridge or Worton. The parish council felt this an important bus route and agreed to contribute £100 towards the funding. The Clerk will write to Mrs Annison confirming this.

17. Correspondence

Email: YDNP – Askrigg Conservation Area Appraisal draft. It was agreed the Clerk would request a hard copy which she would keep should any resident wish to take it away to look at.

Email: 20s Plenty for North Yorkshire – contents noted

Email: Raymond Sadoun - OK Rehab

Email: Mary Williams- Parish Councils UK It was agreed that no third party information would be published on the parish website as this could not be monitored or supported.

Email: NYCC The new council for North Yorkshire briefings. Content noted

Email: YDNP Trees in a conservation area – The Greets content noted.

Letter: Tricia Tate – Gateway track from Worton Bridge to stepping stones. The Clerk to contact Nigel Metcalff.

Email: Forests. Free trees for planting projects. Clerk to ascertain what species of trees are available.

Email: Invitation to join CANS (Councils against noise and speed) It was agreed the parish council should join. Clerk to contact CANS

18. Any other business

Cllr Fawcett asked that a letter be sent the owner of the Heugh asking that garden rubbish not be tipped in the quarry.

The Clerk told the meeting the defibrillator battery needed a replacement. It was agreed this should be purchased. The defibrillator has been taken off the system until a replacement battery is purchased.

The village Christmas tree will be put up on the 5th December.

Cllr. G Kirkbride asked if the large tree next to her house on Mill Lane could be reported to the YDNP requesting it be remove. Clerk to contact YDNP

Cllr Fawcett asked the Clerk contact highways regarding the blocked conduit on the road between Nappa and Woodhall as the road is flooding.

19. Date and time of next meeting Wednesday 19th January 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the back room of the Village Hall, Askrigg