

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019

The Parish Council met in the Village Hall, Askrigg on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Present: Cllrs. B Fawcett Chair, J Hodgson, D Scarr, D Teasdale, Y Peacock (RDC)

Mrs K Lynch, Clerk, plus members of the Public

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

**Apologies for absence:** Cllr G Kirkbride, A Kirkbride

**2 Minutes of Parish Council Meetings**

Having circulated, the minutes of the Parish held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019, 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**

None declared

**5. Highway Issues**

Cllr Fawcett informed the meeting that the road over Askrigg Moor is to be closed for 5 weeks. He questioned why the road was to be closed and was it due to work on the far cattle grid. Work has still not been carried out on the wall at Nappa. The Clerk had received a response saying, at the moment, there were other priorities. Cllr. Peacock to follow up.

**6. Finance**

**6.1 Payments resolved to pay**

14/07/19	s/o	HMRC	39.00
28/07/19	s/o	Clerks salary	152.66
09/08/19	100828	Askrigg Temperance Hall	500.00
12/08/19	s/o	HMRC	39.00
28/08/19	s/o	Clerks salary	152.66
15/09/19	100829	Mark Ellison	402.50

**6.2 Receipts**

03/07/19	Compensation	27.15
12/07/18	Village Income (HB)	456.97
23/08/19	Village Income (HB)	432.80

**7. Planning**

**New applications:** No applications tabled.

**Outstanding applications.**

Full planning permission for roofing over sheep handling pens to reduce water pollution – Nappa Hall, Nappa Scar, Askrigg – No issues from Parish Council. No decision has yet been received.

## **8. Village Hall**

The Clerk had given the Village Hall treasurer a cheque for £500.00 which has been duly acknowledged.

## **9. Church update**

Nothing to report

## **10. Askrigg Foundation Building**

Nothing to report

## **11. Healthwatch**

Cllr. Peacock informed the meeting of a consultation taking place on the options for critical care. She stated it is really important people response. It was agreed Option 1 was the favoured option as this would ensure keeping critical care 24hours at the Friarage.

The Clerk told the meeting that the Village defibrillator had been activated a number of times recently but not actually used.

## **12. Cemetery**

It was noted there was a dead tree in the cemetery. Cllr Teasdale told the meeting that the tree would be replaced by the family who planted the original one. There has been a problem with people leaving rubbish in the Cemetery. It was agreed to obtain some recycle bags and ask the RDC to collect them. A meeting of the Cemetery committee is to be arranged to discuss any future increase in fees. Clerk to follow up.

## **13. School boundary fence**

The boundary fence is now in place and the planting of hedging will take place in November. Everyone agreed it had been a successful outcome.

## **14. Dog Fouling**

Local resident, Jill Leslie, told the meeting that there has been a reduction in dog fouling. However, one day in August there had been an increase. She will continue to monitor.

## **15. Speed Matrix**

The Clerk informed the meeting that the grant application towards the VAS had been successful. Installation of the VAS can now be arranged.

## **17. Correspondence**

Email. RDC – Playground inspection. Contents of the letter were noted. Resident, Martin Garside volunteered to keep the playground clean and tidy.

Letter – Northern Powergrid. Work on the underground cables on Parish Land near to Wharton House will commence January 2020

Email – Dales Neighbourhood Team – Police report noted

Letter – Mr & Mrs Jones – Ice Cream cart. The content of the letter was discussed and noted. Everyone agreed it was vital to keep the village shop trading and would not want any other trading to compromise this. It was agreed the Clerk should write to Mr and Mrs Jones giving permission for them to sell ice cream from the cobbles on a Sunday after 2.00 pm Monday to Saturday after 5.30 when the shop was closed, subject to public liabilities being checked out. Also the Clerk was asked to remind Mr & Mrs Jones, the cobbles outside Church is a public parking area

and that they should not reserve parking with cones or a car for the ice cream cart. Clerk to write to Mr & Mrs Jones.

Cllr Fawcett informed the meeting he had been approached by a resident in Newbiggin saying the green was being used by a family for recreational purposes. All the Councillors agreed this was not a problem and that they could continue to use the green.

The Clerk is to buy a new lock for the honesty box as there had been an attempt to break in. The box will be emptied daily.

**19. Date and time of next meeting: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 pm, back room of the Village Hall, Askrigg**