

ASKHAM BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL

held on Thursday 20th January 2022 at 7pm in the Village Hall

PRESENT:

Councillor	Andrew Steele (Chair)		
Councillors	Julie Barber	Simon Peers	Mark Walker
	Helen Dawson	Kathryn Smith	

In attendance: Two residents, Ward Cllr. Hook and the Clerk.

1 APOLOGIES: None.

2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None.

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One of the residents expressed an interest in agenda item 8.1 and was looking forward to hearing the discussion about this.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PC HELD ON 18th NOVEMBER 2021.

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the PC held on 18th November 2021 having been circulated, be approved and that the Chair be authorised to sign, all in favour.

5. PLANNING

a. Planning Applications Received

- i. 21/02531/FUL - 14 Church Close - Single storey rear extension
- ii. 21/02523/FUL - Eastfield Farm, Moor Lane - Re-cladding of barn
- iii. 21/02651/TCA - The Old Cottage, 72 Main Street - Re-pollard Willow tree in a Conservation Area
- iv. 21/01264/FUL - 4 The Court, Main Street - Revised plans submitted with a revised location and amended design of the proposed car port
- v. 21/02596/FUL - 1 The Park, Westwood Lane - Partial conversion and extension of outbuilding to form home office/studio

The Clerk had responded to all of the above using delegated authority taking into account comments received from Councillors. There were no objections to any of the applications.

b. Planning Decision Notices Received

- i. 21/02007/FUL - Park Farm, 95 Main Street - Single storey rear extension after demolition of existing rear extension
- ii. 21/02313/TCA - 109 Main Street - Re-pollard Maple tree in a Conservation Area
- iii. 21/02314/TCA - The Old Cottage, 72 Main Street - Heavy crown reduce 1no. Willow tree to a monolith - tree works in a Conservation Area.
- iv. 21/02261/FUL - Westfield House, 155B Main Street - Single storey rear extension after demolition of existing conservatory
- v. 21/02651/TCA - The Old Cottage, 72 Main Street - Re-pollard Willow tree in a Conservation Area

It was noted that all of the above had been approved by City of York Council planning authority. It was also noted that application 21/02523/FUL (Eastfield Farm) had been refused.

6 TO RECEIVE THE NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE CRIME REPORT

There had been one crime in December (possession of cannabis and cocaine). The new crime report format was not good when displayed on an iPad or smartphone.

7 REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR HOOK

Ward Cllr. Hook reported that there had been funding for capital projects for roads elsewhere and suggested that as there had been nothing for Askham Bryan, that the PC consider projects which could be funded by Ward Councillor grants. There was discussion about the road exit onto the roundabout and the speed limit past the college entrance. There had been three conversations with the college. Cllr. Steele had emailed Julian Ridge (Sustainable Transport Manager for City of York Council) but he was now retired (or working from home), the new contacts were Ben Potter or James Gilchrist. There was no further information regarding a query about three Reliance buses using the village unnecessarily as Ward Cllr. Hook was waiting to hear further from the residents who had reported this.

8 OTHER MATTERS

8.1 Public Right of Way 9.

Proposals to make changes to Public Right Of Way 9 and proposals for a local inquiry were noted. The footpath had been closed for several years since the wildlife park had been created (when a fence had been put across it). Prior to that it had been used. The final decision rested with the Secretary of State. The path doesn't go anywhere. Concern was expressed about the closure of the path in the first place and the way the college had implemented this.

8.2 Budget and precept for 2022/23.

It was **resolved** to adopt a suggested budget showing a total expenditure of £10,002, All in favour. It was **resolved** to increase the precept in line with the previous month's consumer price index of 5.1%, all in favour. This meant that the new precept amount would be £9,983.45.

8.3 Plans for the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Following the cancellation of events to mark the 75th anniversary of Victory In Europe (VE) day, it was felt that the PC should take the lead in making sure that the Village marked the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in suitable manner. Cllr. Peers had suitable experience in organising events of this kind but was unavailable at the time of the Platinum Jubilee. There were suggestions that the Brownies and Women's Institute (WI) could be involved. The Village Hall committee we're planning a fair. There could be a beacon at the local triangulation point, a marquee and a bring your own barbecue or picnic and the local public house could be involved. Cllr. Peers would order a Big Lunch pack. Publicity could be in the newsletter and in a flyer (Cllr. Peers has a breakdown off the delivery rounds). Costings would be needed if grant funding was sought. The insurance position would be clarified. The Village Hall could provide toilet facilities. Options for entertainment were also considered.

8.4 Natural Environment Committee.

It was noted that the Natural Environment Committee had meet earlier that evening. There were no matters that the PC needed to consider.

8.5 Annual Playground Inspection.

An on-site meeting between Cllrs. Peers and Steele and the contractor would take place at the end of January. A paper copy of the report was needed. The bollards had arrived and the price for fitting was being pursued. Cllr. Walker would attend an on-site meeting and this would be an agenda item for the February meeting.

9 FINANCE

9.1 Report of invoices to be paid

It was **resolved** that the following invoices to be paid, all in favour.

- Clerk's Salary 01/12/2 to 31/12/21 plus deductions payable to HMRC.

- Ward Signs - Queen's Green Canopy - trees planted for the Platinum Jubilee (£145 + £5 shipping + VAT) - £150 + VAT
- Society of Local Council Clerk's renewal of annual membership (£215, cost shared on a pro-rata basis with another parish) - £35.83
- Broxap - 2 cast iron removable bollards (£223 each), 1 fixed bollard (£126), 2 sets of padlocks (£13 each), delivery (£70) - £668 + VAT
- Village Hall Hire - 2 x £21 (16/9 & 18/11), 4 x £14 (24/6, 15/7, 29/7 & 19/8) and 1 x £7 (15/7), total £105.

10 CORRESPONDENCE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

A list of correspondence received since the last meeting (items 289-309) had been circulated and the contents noted.

11 ACTION TRACKER

An Action Tracker had been circulated with the agenda papers listing all previously agreed actions and reports on progress. The mound on the playground was still there, once the bollards were in place, the entrance would be wide enough to allow tractor access.

12 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

The next PC meeting would be 17 February 2022 at the Village Hall at 7pm.

Other meetings in 2022 would be on 17th March, 21st April, 19th May, 16th June, 21st July, 18th August, 15th September, 20th October and 17th November

The meeting closed at 7:55pm.

Signed

Chairman
17 February 2021