

ASKHAM BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL

held on Thursday 21st September 2023 starting at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Councillor	Helen Dawson (Chair)		
Councillors	Julie Barber	Kathryn Smith	David Wiseman
	Jason Boakes	Mark Walker	

In attendance: The Clerk.

1 APOLOGIES. Cllr. Peers.

2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None.

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public in attendance.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL (PC) HELD ON 17th AUGUST 2023.

Item 8.2 should read “given to Parish Councillors” (not “tour”) and item 4 should read “it was” not “is was”. Subject to these corrections, it was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the PC held on 17th August 2023 be approved and that in the absence of the Chair, a Councillor who was in attendance be authorised to sign, all in favour.

5. PLANNING

a. Planning Applications Received

There was one planning application to consider.

- a. 22/01074/FULM - Pikehills Golf Club - Redevelopment of the Pike Hills Golf Course involving importation and grading of soils – Revised plans. It was noted that there were 173 documents on the City of York Council (CYC) planning portal. Particular attention was given to the reports by the Environment Agency and those of the flood risk engineers (neither of whom had any objections). The status of Askham Bog as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) was noted. It was agreed to raise **no objections** to this planning application subject to planner’s satisfaction that sufficient steps were being taken to protect Askham Bog from land drainage run off.
- b. CTIL 10794728, Eastfield Farm, off of Moor Lane - Upgrade to radio base station installation - pre submission application. Being a pre submission application, there was no opportunity to comment via the planning portal and it was felt that a formal statement of the Parish Council’s position would be made following formal submission. However, there were **no objections** to what was being proposed.
- c. 23/01717/FUL - Tuevais 101, Main Street - Variation of condition 2 of permitted application 22/02387/FUL to raise the roof by 0.5m. This planning application had been received too late to be a formal agenda item. Precedent had been set elsewhere and no enforcement action had been taken against those who had raised the roof more than this and therefore the Clerk would respond to this using his delegated authority to say that the PC had **no objections**.

b. Planning Decision Notices Received

The following application had been determined;

- a. 23/01332/TCA - Cherry Tree House, 68 Main Street - Fell 1 no. Plum tree in rear garden - Tree in Conservation Area. It was noted that CYC Planning Department had raised no objections to this tree works application.

6 CRIME REPORT

There were no reported crimes in August. However, there was a case of graffiti where four days previously, someone had painted a picture of a crown with a word beneath it. This had been reported to CYC who would

attend to this but they did not consider the graffiti to be obscene and as such, it was not a priority. It had also been reported to the Police however there were no eye-witnesses.

7 REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR HOOK

Ward Cllr. Hook was not in attendance but had sent an email commenting on both the above planning applications. Cllrs. were awaiting information about speed controls which were coming into effect that month.

8 OTHER MATTERS.

8.1 PC representative on the Village Hall Committee.

Councillors agreed to share this duty rather than nominate any individual to the role. Cllr. Boakes was willing to attend a couple of meetings. The Village Hall Annual General Meeting was 5th October, Trustees have full voting rights. Cllr. Smith would speak to one of the Village Hall Committee.

8.2 Recreational Area.

Options for phase two were still being considered and no final decision had been taken. There seemed to be preferences for a zip wire or a climbing frame (rope spider-pyramid design) but the health and safety considerations were greater with the former. Cllr. Wiseman was exploring five companies and so far had spoken to three of them. One supplier had quoted £9,500 including VAT and another had quoted £19,000 (including flooring and delivery and a spin option). A third had offered two options, both in keeping with the wooden structures already there. The Crinkle Crag Climber was £12,000 but didn't include the wet pour ground covering. The alternative was £17,500 including delivery and installation, this version did not require the wet pour ground covering. Benches were still being considered as a possible future development. It was suggested that the PC goes to the community for fund-raising with a specific target. Cllr. Wiseman had approached a local supermarket for funding and had links for other grants. It was agreed to set up a working party to take this forward, Cllrs. Dawson and Wiseman agreed to be on this.

8.3 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in June 2024.

Cllr. Wiseman agreed to take the lead on this noting that the only person who received a Victoria Cross on the D-day landings was a Yorkshireman.

8.4 Event at Christmas – 2nd December 2023.

Cllr. Wiseman had made enquiries following which it was agreed that the sole focus of the proposed event should be the Village Hall. The name of someone to be Father Christmas was suggested.

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 01/08/2023 to 31/08/2023 plus deductions payable to HMRC taking into account the overall credit with HMRC
- Information Commissioner's Office - annual registration renewal - £35
- Ebay - 2 x WHSmith Assorted Colour Sturdy A4 Polypro Swing Clip Files Pack Of five - £8.24 + £1.75 VAT.

10 CORRESPONDENCE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Most of the correspondence was from the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations (YLCA). Item 600 was from Ward Cllr. Hook regarding a complaint from a resident regarding a claim by CYC that the grass verges had been cut when in fact this was not the case. Some verges had been cut.

11 ACTION TRACKER

An Action Tracker had been circulated with the agenda papers listing all previously agreed actions and reports on progress. The tracker was reviewed and two items were identified which could be considered as completed.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be 19th October 2023 and the November meeting would be on the 16th. Both at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8:12pm.

Signed

19 October 2023