ASKHAM BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL (PC)

held on Thursday 21st March 2024 starting at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Helen Dawson (Chair)

Councillors Julie Barber Kathryn Smith Mark Walker

Jason Boakes

In attendance: Two residents and the Clerk.

1 APOLOGIES. Cllrs. Peers and Wiseman.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: The College was celebrating its' 75th anniversary and as such, all Councillors and the Clerk had been invited to a three course meal at the college on 23rd April. The Clerk had accepted this invitation and several other Councillors would do so to and declared this as a gift of hospitality.

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Concern was expressed regarding the state of Chapel Lane. It was being used by wide bodied vehicles (there was a sign saying "Unsuitable for HGV's" at the village end but not the York Road end), the Chapel Lane road sign was leaning and the speed restriction was 60mph. The lane was full of pot holes and coated in mud. The T-junction was a blind spot presenting a risk those exiting Chapel Lane. The resident proposed making Chapel Lane into a one-way street. The Clerk would contact the Ward Councillor about this. There followed discussion about other highways concerns such as a drain on Main Street, it was suggested that a letter would at least get this on the radar. There was also discussion regarding Westwood Lane. There was uncertainly as to whose responsibility this was, Highways or City of York Council for the road surface and the Drainage Board for the water retention issues. It was noted that some of the drainage had the opposite effect with water travelling in the opposite direction to that intended and making matters worse. The road surface was breaking up. There had been an item of correspondence about this which having missed the distribution of the agenda papers for the March meeting, was due to be considered next month.

The other resident raised concerns about the land on the corner of Saint Nicholas' Croft and requested better management of this land. This would be an agenda item for the next PC meeting and clarification regarding responsibilities would be sought in the meantime.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PC HELD ON 15th FEBRUARY 2024.

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the PC held on 15th February 2024 be approved. Cllr. Boakes signed the minutes as Cllr. Peers was not present to sign the minutes and Cllr. Dawson had not attended the February meeting. The minutes reflected suggested changes to the wording (e.g. the last sentence of the Planning section and the wording of item 8.1).

5. PLANNING

a. Planning Applications Received

One planning application had been received since the February 2024 meeting as follows;

 a. 24/00145/ADV - Highway Verges At Askham Bar Park And Ride Entrance Tadcaster Road, Dringhouses - Display of 1no. oak timber lectern

The PC considered the location of the lectern, the proposed artwork and the effect on the cycle path. It was **resolved** to raise **No Objection** to this application.

b. Planning Decision Notices Received

Three planning decision notices had been received as follows;

a. 24/00074/TCA - Ardsley House 92 Main Street - Crown reduce up to 2m, 20% crown thin and crown lift lower two branches of 1 no. Oak - tree in a conservation area.

- b. 24/00007/TCA 109 Main Street Fell 1 no. (dying) Hawthorn tree in a conservation area.
- c. 24/00010/TCA 98 Main Street Fell 1 no. Willow tree in a conservation area.

All three related to tree works and the local planning authority had agreed to raise no objections to any of them.

6 CRIME REPORT

The crime report showed all crimes in the month of February in the Rural West Ward, three of which were in the Askham Bryan Parish area as follows. On the 5th on the A1237 between Copmanthorpe & Askham Bryan a vehicle was stopped and a man arrested for drug possession. On the 6th, an item had been stolen from a skip on Main Street and on the 18th a van was stolen from Glebe House.

7 REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR HOOK

Ward Cllr. Hook was not in attendance but had asked to be notified of any matters raised. See public participation above.

8 OTHER MATTERS.

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

Cllr. Wiseman had submitted his article for the newsletter but had been asked by the editor to shorten it.

9 FINANCE

9.1 Report of invoices to be paid

It was **resolved** that payment of the following invoices to be approved, all in favour.

- Clerk's Salary 01/02/2024 to 29/02/2024 and payments to His Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC).
- Expenses claim for the 2023 Christmas Trail as itemised below. TOTAL £319.91
 Amazon
 - £14.39 Angels 2 of: Christmas Decorations, 5Pcs Xmas Angel Dolls Ornaments Tree Pendant, Cute Charms Holiday Hanging Plush Elf Ornament for Christams Party Home Decor Kid
 - £12.38 Bells 2 of: Hand Bell, Metal Tea Hand Bell, Service Bell, Dinner Bell, Extra Loud Call Hand Bell, Solid Brass Bell Handbells, With Wooden Handle, Counter Receptio
 - £5.48 Gold Paint Paint Factory Metallic oil Paint Shimmering Gold 300ml
 - £5..32 House Tags 1 of: Kungfu Mall 30 PCS Wooden Christmas Decorations Xmas Tree
 Hanging Ornaments with 30 PCS Twines Wood Tags Ornaments Snowflake
 Snowman Pendants for Chri -
 - £6.66 Ivy 1 of: Comtelek 84 FT Artificial Ivy 12 Pack Ivy Vine Garland Ivy Leaves
 Greenery Garlands Clip Hanging Fake Leaf Plants Faux Green Flowers Decor
 - £2.49 Myrrh oil 10ml, 100% Pure Natural Essential Oils, Therapeutic-Grade Aromatherapy Essential Oil
 - £72.99 Sheep 3 of: JAMARA 460590 Bouncy Sheep with Pump-up to 50 kg, Promotes Balance and Motor Skills, Robust and Durable, Easy to Clean, White
 - £6.66 Silencers 1 of: Alnicov 4 Pieces Drum Mute Drum Dampener Silicone Drumstick Silent Practice Tips for Drums Replacement Accessory, Orange
 - £10.82 Snow blanket 1 of: Aweyka Christmas Snow Blanket Roll. Fake Snow Blankets for Christmas Village Artificial Snow Carpet Artificial Snow Blanket Fluffy Fake Sn
 - £5.71 Table cloth 1 of: Christmas Wine Red Gold Stars PVC Tablecloth Childrens Nursery Wine Red Gold Twinkle Stars Plastic PVC Vinyl Oilcloth Wipe Clean Party Ta
 - £5.41 Crown King/Queen's Gold Royal Crown Fancy Dress Accessory

B and M Retail Limited

- £3.75 Snowflakes and stars Silver 4-pack snowflake
- £10.42 Snowflakes and stars Sequin Snowflake silver
- £6.67 Snowflakes and stars 80 Micro Led star
- B&Q
- £6.47 Green Tinsel & Wire 2m x 3, Diall Green PVC & steel Wire, (L)50m (Dia)0.8mm x 1 Boyes
- £5.80 Garland, Bows, Ivy, etc. Boyes two Poinsettas at £1.99 each, two Poinsetta bushes with glitter

- £2.48 Garland, Bows, Ivy, etc. Boyes one chunky bow
 £1.66 Garland, Bows, Ivy, etc. Boyes one red glitter bow large £1.49, one gold glitter box large
- £4.98 Garland, Bows, Ivy, etc. Boyes 2 x Holly garlands

Dunelm

£10.00 Net curtain Jesicca Shimmer EY Voile 140

eBay

- £14.63 Heads Women Female Foam Model Polystyrene Model
- £6.25 House Scenes 3 x Wooden Xmas Decorations, Nordic House, Trees & Church, each 32cm x 20cm

Homebase

• £16.67 Plant Pots Suva Hammered Pot, bronze, 38cm, 2 x £10

Ryman

£6.25 Boxes - Curved Wooden Chest - 3 x £2.50 incl. VAT.

Sainsburys

£12.50 Wings 2 - Silver Christmas Nativity Angel Wings One Size

Toolstation

• £9.73 Varnish 2 x Industrial Clear Lacquer Spray Paint 500m

There was a lack of awareness that the Christmas Trail was funded by the PC and this would be tied in to plans for the next Christmas event. A bench was still being considered.

10 CORRESPONDENCE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

A list of correspondence had been circulated and the contents noted. There was a discussion about an email from the resident taking the lead on the Recreational Area Working Party. There was appreciation for the work they were doing but concerns that they were taking on responsibilities delegated to the Natural Environment Committee. The Chair of that Committee had tried to explain this to this resident. His email asked about plans for the mound, in particular the concrete supports and steel posts associated with the now removed slide. This was roped off and not considered urgent. There would be an agenda item next time to consider this.

11 ACTION TRACKER

An Action Tracker had been circulated with the agenda papers listing all previously agreed actions and reports on progress. Cllr. Boakes had looked at the "Deep Water" signs and Cllr. Walker agreed to deal with these the next day. The item regarding the Commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings had been completed. The changes to new entrance to the Recreational Area were not as straight-forward as originally thought.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The dates of meetings in 2024 would be;

18th April, 16th May (Annual meeting), 20th June, 18th July, 15th August, 19th September, 17th October and 21st November. All to be held at the Village Hall at 7:30pm

The meeting closed at 8:20pm.

Signed

18 April 2024