

Appleton Wiske Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Monday 05 June 2017 that commenced at 7.30pm.

Present

Cllrs Derek Partington (Chair), Barry Pope, Paula Gudger, Leonie Smith (Clerk) Cllr David Hugill & Cllr Steve Watson

1. Public Comment

3 members of the public present.

2. Apologies and Declaration of interest for any agenda item

Cllr. Kim Smith, Jane Strickland, Ken Blackwood

3. Minutes of the May 2017 meeting

Minutes of the May 2017 meeting were agreed and signed off

4. Matters Arising

- A. Annual Parish Assembly – **LS** had sought permission from **DP** to contact YLCA following the complaint and comments about the behaviour of Councillor Blackwood during his presentation at the Parish Assembly. They confirmed that the annual meeting of the parish is not a meeting of the council and with the exception of the Chairman of the parish council (who must preside, if he/she is present) parish councillors attend as electors of that parish. Therefore, Councillor Blackwood could not have been acting in his role as a Councillor when he made his presentation. They advised that the following action be taken by the Chairman of Appleton Wiske Parish Council. To confirm that **DP** was correct, as Chairman of the Parish Council, being responsible for chairing the annual meeting of the parish, in addressing and duly correcting the comments of Councillor Blackwood regarding the issue of the fence erected by Mr Bazeley and the land issues which had previously been resolved by the parish council. An apology is hereby provided to the complainant and the electors of the parish. Following the above statements they advised that **DP** request that the council draws a line under these matters with no further discussion being embarked upon by the council. This request was fully supported by those present.
- B. Removal of Telephone Box – this has been removed from the centre of the village. The area has now been re-soiled and grass seed has been put down. It is the belief of **KB** that it was the PC that requested the area from the pavement to the phone box be block paved and that it should be the responsibility of the PC to restore this area at some stage. Agreed by all present.
- C. Removal of White Beam Tree from Village Green (T2 on the tree report produced by Helen Arnold – outside Ivy Croft) – **DP** to inspect the tree and if felt necessary will get Helen Arnold to resurvey the tree. If this tree is dead then arrangements will be made to have it removed. Decision to be taken at the July meeting.
- D. Complaints Procedure (as issued to PC Members before April meeting) – slight revisions to be made to points 6 (before the meeting) and point 2 (After the meeting). **LS** asked if this should be included on the website. **DH** recommended this as good practice. It was agreed to adopt this complaints procedure by all present.
- E. Additional Grass Cutting Areas – **LS** to get a price from Craig Thompson to cut the areas of grass in front of Wiske Farm Cottage and the areas of village green that run in front of the properties on the opposite side of the road if the owners

wish. This has already been requested by the owners of Briarstead Cottage. LS to speak with the owners of Briarstead, Lupton House and Lincoln House.

F. Action against speeding in the village – Thanks to Angela Carling and Richard Hauserman for putting the leaflet together and circulating throughout the village. Although this is not an official Parish Council survey, the information gathered will be passed to the PC to action.

G. **Report on progress and outstanding matters from previous meetings –**

- **Village Signposting – PG** is going to hand this matter back to the Village Hall committee with summary of information gathered. Once they have 3 quotes these should be given to the Parish Council who will discuss allocation of costs.
- **Village Green damage/protection and village green furniture** (Section 106 monies) – **DP** to provide **LS** with measurements of the areas to allow her to pass this onto contractors, already waiting for one quote to come back from CLS. Ideal time to carry out this work is September. Quote for Bench from Sam Turners £854 including delivery. **LS** to look for the section 106 money request form. **PG** to discuss the old bench being relocated to the School playground with the Head Teacher.
- **PG** still to meet with Mr Walker regarding the trees in the allotments as he has been on holiday.
- **DP** signed to accept the office of Chairperson.

H. **Matters arising for information only –**

- Dog fouling – **LS** commented that she has received a call with a complaint regarding dog fouling in front gardens on Hunters Ride. **PG** suggested poster competition with the School and prizes to be awarded and will speak with the Head Teacher on this matter. Also suggested that the Dog Warden comes into the School to do a presentation, possibly in conjunction with Dogs Trust. **PG** to let **LS** know if this is an option and she will contact **SW**
- **DP** commented that the culvert on Hornby Road has now been jetted out.
- Some anonymous correspondence was received after the Annual Parish Meeting. The PC cannot act on anonymous correspondence.
- **DH** mentioned that NYCC are having a consultation regarding utility companies and roadworks getting permits for works being carried out. www.northyorks.gov.uk/consultations

5. Correspondence

- a) YLCA e-mails – issued as they arrive
- b) Good Councillor's Guide – anyone wishing a copy to let **LS** know.
- c) Other correspondence – no further correspondence.

6. Circulars

- a. No Circulars issued.

7. Planning Matters

- a) Agricultural shed for machinery and temporary grain storage, Manor House, Manor Farm – Granted.
- b) No planning matters

8. Financial matters

- a. Agreed to pay Appleton Wiske Village Hall £10 for use of Annex for May meeting – BACS payment.
- b. Agreed to pay CT Grounds Maintenance £270.00 for village grass cutting (May) – BACS payment

- c. Annual return for 2016/17 agreed and signed off.
- d. Any other financial matters

9. Reports from Representatives

- **ARA** – AGM taking place 06 June 2017 – 7:30 p.m Lord Nelson.
- **AiB** – a start has now been made on re-staining the street furniture. Some benches have been done but this will be on-going through the summer.
- **Highways** – received notification from Highways to say that the road between Appleton Wiske and Picton was going to be repaired. The road was marked up and cones were positioned on the most dangerous section however, there appears to be nothing happening, yellow marker paint has washed away and the cones have been removed. **DH** has stated that he is arranging to go around the area to look at problem areas with a Highways Inspector. **LS** suggested that the area on the road to Deighton is also worth looking at. **DP** offered to accompany **DH**.

10. AOB for information or July agenda

- **PG** noted that the Parish Council details are out of date on the HDC Website – **LS** to look into this once the new councillor is in place.
- **All Councillors to provide LS** with articles for newsletter by the agreed quarterly deadlines of 15 July, 15 October, 15 January & 15 April.

11. Public Comment

Meeting closed at 20:35 p.m.

Next meeting Monday 03 July 2017