

Appleton Wiske Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the **Village Hall Annexe** on **Monday 2nd March 2020** that commenced at 7.30 pm.

Present

Cllrs Derek Partington (DP(Chair)), Ken Blackwood (KB (Vice-Chair)), Richard Hauserman (RH), Richard Johnson (RJ), Jackie McReddie (JR), Michelle Thompson (MT), Neil Slade (NS), Sue McDonnell (SM (Clerk)), 3 members of the public.

1.	<u>Public Comment</u> – none.	
2.	<u>Apologies & Declarations of interest for any agenda item</u> Apologies - David Hugill (DH (NYCC), Steve Watson (SW (HDC))). Declaration of Interest. From JM re item 5c).	<u>Action</u> none
3.	<u>Minutes of the February 2020 meeting</u> Minutes of the January 2020 Meeting were signed off.	none
4.	<u>Police Report</u> – had been received and circulated. One incident had been reported for February. The village hall shed had been broken into and some toys stolen.	none
5.	<u>Matters Arising</u>	
a)	<u>Co-option of new Councillor</u> - NS signed his Declaration of Acceptance at the meeting. Resolved that he is co-opted as an Appleton Wiske PC Councillor.	SM
b)	<u>GDPR</u> - MT has finished updating the Public Privacy Policy and will circulate it.	MT
c)	<u>Improvements to area in centre of the village</u> – RH and DP had re-aligned the white stones in the area. DP sent a list of queries to YLCA and a reply with 2 NALC documents attached was received today. Resolved SM forward the NALC documents for members to read for discussion next month.	SM/ALL
d)	<u>PC e-mail address provider – update.</u> RJ had looked into several providers but did not have costings. Meanwhile DesignArt, the current provider has agreed to continue hosting the PC e-mail addresses for another year from June 2020 at a cost of £70. He is no longer VAT registered. Resolved that DesignArt continue until June 2021.	SM
e)	<u>Newsletter – Spring Issue</u> – MT has drafted the newsletter but still needs more people to let her know the list of activities planned by local groups in the village and surrounding area in the next 3 months. She is still looking at sources of funding, awaiting articles from 2 village organisations and needs some info on PC activities. Deadline around 15 th March. Resolved that KB look into costs of producing 6, 8 and 10 pages with NYCC and RH and SM to meet to finalise it	MT/RH/ SM/ALL
f)	<u>Possible lowering of the speed limit within the village to 20 mph</u> – RH has looked further into 20's Plenty and circulated a how to do it document. He is awaiting a reply from Darlington BC on their experience. Costs about £500 for pole erection and £2-3k for speed activated sign. DP had spoken to DH who said that the Scrutiny Committee were still debating this, in particular the harmonisation of policy re areas near schools. DH also suggested we should attend the Assessment Area Committee on 22 nd April to put the PC's case – allowed 3 minutes to speak. Resolved that RH attend.	DP/RH
g)	<u>NALC outline policies for Grievance and Disciplinary</u> – SM had drafted and circulated them. DP and KB had comments. Resolved that DP forward the PC's Complaints Procedure and Code of Conduct for members to compare with these before next meeting.	DP

h)	Allocation of Responsibility List – update – MT reported she has passwords to update the PC's Facebook site. The list was updated. Resolved that SM circulates updated list.	SM
6.	<u>Correspondence.</u>	
a)	YLCA e-mails – previously circulated.	None
7.	<u>Circulars</u>	
a)	One received - of no interest.	None
8.	<u>Planning Matters</u>	
a)	Application for the approval of reserved matters for construction of 12 dwellings with access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to be considered relating to planning application 16/00398/OUT – Outline planning permission for a residential development with all matters reserved re Shorthorn Inn, Hornby Rd – ref 19/01481/REM. Resolved members look online and comment to SM by 5 th March, otherwise no observations.	SM/ALL
b)	Registration of new property addresses – Little Hornby Farm, The Old Coop and Oak Tree View on Hornby Road - noted.	None
9.	<u>Financial Matters</u>	
a)	Agreed to pay Appleton Wiske Village Hall £12.00 for use of Annex for February meeting – BACS payment.	SM
b)	Agreed to pay £65 for SLCC membership for the Clerk – online payment.	SM
c)	Received £7.49 from Darryl Okey for 15 months allotment rent. KB reported he had drawn an allotment map. SM to send it to JM . A letter was received from Broadacres stating 20/21 allotment rent will be £20.79.	SM
10.	<u>Reports from Representatives</u>	
a)	RJ reported that the village hall had achieved its new Charity status and that the grants to fund the screen had been applied for.	None
b)	KB reported on the Appleton Wiske Educational Foundation. It gives grants to young people under 25 living in Appleton, the Rountons and Picton. All this year's applications were honoured, some from the village. Brompton PC are collecting the CCTV camera soon and that the kissing gate had been fitted. KB had received a query whether the notice at Hill House Farm re no access to public footpath was legal – he will look into it. School had complained about vehicles turning in driveway and parking on the zigzags. Resolved to include in Newsletter. Drain alongside Hornby Rd opposite Stoneway is catching vegetation. RJ stated that drain near kissing gate also needs attention. Resolved DP report both to Highways.	DP/MT
c)	JM reported that a tractor has churned up the footpath near the school. Resolved that KB report it to Highways.	KB
10.	<u>Items for information or next month's agenda</u>	
a)	Works on village trees to be done on 18 th March 2020.	None
d)	Churchyard grass to be cut by Mr Walker still and not new contractor. Resolved SM to ensure new contractor is informed.	SM
11.	<u>Public Comment</u> - There was a lengthy discussion about the area in the centre of the village. The 3 residents present felt that the PC were not keeping them informed of developments. The Chair explained that the Council had approached the residents in the immediate area to seek their views before seeking comment from anyone else and there had been no further developments. Councillors tried to alleviate their concerns, explaining that this was a long term project, that no decisions had been made yet and residents would be kept informed of any developments.	None

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm. Next meeting Monday 6th April 2020 at 7.30 p.m.

Sue McDonnell, Clerk, Appleton Wiske Parish Council