

Kirk Smeaton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 19 September 2018 held in the Community Room, Kirk Smeaton School.

- 1 Present:** Elaine Bartlett; - Chair
Tricia Storey; Tony Lenc; Iain Cockerham - Councillors
Apologies: Jayne Cooper
Kate Bowden - Clerk

5 members of the public were in attendance including Magazine representative

- 2 Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest

- 3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting** held on 4 July 2018 were approved and signed as a true record

- 4 Matters arising:**

- Gateway on Water Lane has been rescheduled for installation.
- PCC response re Gate in Church Wall - Mrs Cessford informed the meeting that this matter is on hold at the moment until further information is received from the Church authorities regarding planning and until further quotations have been received.
- Pinfold Lane is to have monitoring equipment fitted to check on the speed of the traffic.

- 5 Public Questions and Issues:**

- It was requested that the 30 mph sign on Pinfold be moved onto Norton Road
- The footpaths on Pinfold Lane is in a dangerous condition and needs repairing (these issues to be discussed with Gary Lumb from NYCC)
- Dog waste bag bins - These were now full and Clerk to notify all Cllrs of Dave's number to ensure they are filled regularly.

- 6 Review of Decision with regard to Water Lane Hedge** 4 Letters of objection have been received from residents with regard to the decision to remove the hedgerow on Water Lane. Unfortunately, only one person was present. After some discussion it was proposed and agreed that the Clerk would contact Ian Jakulis and invite him to meet with Cllrs on Water Lane to discuss the issue and request his professional opinion and advice.

- 7 Web-site and Facebook Page** - Clerk to contact Cllr McCartney for advice re Facebook page. Jan would report back after her course.

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8 Village Green and Village Matters:

- Village Green - Cllr Lenc reported on a meeting he had previously with Dave Bastow regarding the condition of the Village Green. After much discussion it was proposed and agreed to obtain quotations for the overhaul and maintenance of the Village Green as a stand-alone job.
- Community Litter Pick - Cllr Storey asked if the Council wanted to explore the possibility of a litter pick in and around the Village/s. This was unanimously agreed and the date of Sunday 2nd December at 10.30 would be advertised followed by refreshments at The Manor House. Cllr Storey also suggested raising awareness with the school children with possibly a poster competition
- Fly Tipping Meeting: Cllr Storey reported on the meeting held on 13th September which was well attended by the public with Cllrs from both Parish Councils present. Keith Armstrong and Dave Herbert were the speakers from SDC who are at the forefront of the efforts to catch and prosecute the offenders. The message from both Keith and Dave is **be vigilant and report any suspicious vehicles (with reg no) or litter tipping to either Keith or Dave:**
karmstrong@selby.gov.uk or dherbert@selby.gov.uk Tel: 01757 705101
Full minutes can be found on the Kirk Smeaton web-site www.kirksmeaton.org or email the Clerk to the Council kirksmeatonclerk@gmail.com for a copy.
- It was proposed and supported that the Council purchases an infrared camera for use in targeted/susceptible areas. Cllr Bartlett will look into this and report back.
- Hodge Lane Bridge. Further improvements to Hodge lane Bridge have not been received by the Council. Chair to check.
- Produce Sale 2019 - This item is to be addressed on the January Agenda.

9 Highways Issues:

- The Quarry Liaison Committee Meeting took place on 4th September with both Parish Councils represented. Cll Storey reported back. Representatives from both North and West Yorkshire Highways attended along with Russell Meakin and John Carlton from Went Valley Aggregates. Unfortunately, Amy Taylor from the Planning Department sent her apologies as she was ill. North Yorkshire Highways agreed to immediate substantial improvements to Wentedge Road and Went Valley Aggregates will arrange for the work to be carried out. The Chair will request further details from Gary Lumb. West Yorkshire Highway plan to take the corner off the turning onto the A1 at the Wentbridge end of Wentedge Road; resurface the carriageway and provide warning signs at the junction. Unofficial laybys were discussed and both North and West Yorkshire Highways agreed to look at this issue. Lorries are all required to turn right out of the quarry. If any resident sees a lorry in the Village please take the reg no, name of Company and report to Lorry Watch at NY Trading Standards and Russell Meakin at the Quarry. The next meeting of the Liaison Committee will be held on 4th December. **Full detailed minutes available on Kirk Smeaton PC Web-site www.kirksmeaton.org**
- Speeding Issues throughout the Village. Cllr Bartlett moved that we organise a meeting with Gary Lumb to discuss this and other issues.

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- Parking on Main Street at School times: Discussion took place once again on this issue. A few suggestions were made and discounted. Cllr Bartlett to see Police again and discuss at the next meeting in November.

10 **Allotment and Cemetery**

- It was proposed and agreed that the Allotment fee for this year be increased to £100 making each plot costing £10 per annum (instead of £7.50).
- It was proposed and agreed to contact Danny Curnow for a quotation for pruning the Cherry Tree at the entrance to the Allotment/Cemetery.
- It was proposed and agreed to increase Mr Woodall's rent for land to £50 - Clerk to write

11 **Correspondence**

- Charity Donations - it was agreed to donate £50 to the CAB
- Police presence in Villages. It was agreed that the PC would welcome more Police presence in the Villages - Clerk to reply to D Dumbell to this effect.

12 **Planning Matters:** 41 Springfield Crescent - granted

13 **Financial Matters**

- Copies of the PCs financial position together with a full list of income and expenses was distributed and approved. This was using the new software which is proving very successful.
- Cheques Drawn: D Bastow; Clerk Salary; Notice Board; Electric point on Green; Clerk Tax
- Monies Received: purchase of grave plot for Jeanette Taylor; Wayleave

14 **AOB** - Clerk handed out 'The Good Councillor's Guide' and 'Guide to Finance and Transparency'

15 **Matters in Private**

- The Council reviewed and amended the Assets List - Clerk to take advice from Paul Clarke regarding the correct accounting method.
- The Council agreed to pay the Tax to HMRC for the Clerk's Salary instead of the Clerk sending the cheque. This is in line with Government policy.

16 Date of next meeting - 28 November 2018

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