

DRAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 26 January 2017 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr R Clayton – Vice-Chairman
Cllr W Bell
Cllr M Billing
Cllr S Plunkett

Mrs J Markham – Clerk

In attendance: Cty Cllr R Heseltine

Members of the Public: 2

1. Apologies for Absence

None received.

2. Disclosure of Interests

Members were invited to disclose any interests (including any not already listed in the Register of Interests) relevant to the business of the meeting, and, in respect of a disclosable pecuniary interest (previously registered or not), to request dispensation pursuant to the Council's Code of Conduct to participate in the business under discussion and vote on the matter.

Additional Interests disclosed: None.

Dispensation Requests received: None.

3. Minutes of the Meetings held on 8 and 22 December 2016

The Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 8 and 22 December 2016 were taken as read, approved as a true and correct record in each case and signed by the Vice Chairman.

4. Matters Arising

- (i) Community SpeedWatch The Clerk reported that the exercise to monitor, record and analyse vehicle speeds in the village by 95 Speed Alive had now been completed and no action was recommended.

- (ii) Defibrillator Training Session – 29 January 2pm A further notice advising villagers of the date and time of the training awareness session had been sent out, and details had been re-confirmed with the YAS officer.
- (iii) Housing Development off Main St Comments had been sent in to the planning authority, and it was anticipated that the application would be considered by the planning authority at a meeting on 13 February. Cllr Billing agreed to speak at the meeting to represent the Council's comments.
- (iv) Waste bins and recycling The undergrowth beside the bin on the Green had been trimmed back to improve access for emptying. Mr Lang and Cllr Bell were thanked for carrying out this work. Waste bins to replace the original recycling "bring site" bins had been re-installed on the lane by the Church for use by residents living up the lane. Cllr Heseltine confirmed that the new commingling procedures for waste recycling were due to be introduced at the beginning of April, but this would be clarified with District Cllr Pighills, if present at the next meeting.

The remaining matter arising, as noted on the agenda, was considered separately for decision (Minute 5 below).

5. Chairman's Memorial

The Clerk reported on the costs of a brass plaque, ranging in price from £30-£70. Cllr Billing reported that she planned shortly to seek the approval of the Village Hall Trustees to have it mounted on the wall underneath the photograph of the Post Office. The wording of the engraving was discussed, and the Clerk was asked to circulate a draft for comment outside the meeting.

It was RESOLVED: "THAT expenditure of £50 be approved for the purchase of a small engraved brass plaque in memory of Chairman, Meriel Curtis, and, subject to confirmation of the wording for the engraving, that the Clerk be authorised to order a suitable product from Meadowcrofts, Skipton."

6. Planning

It was reported that permission had been granted for the following development works:

- (i) Southfield, 2 Spring Rise and on Village Green – tree works
- (ii) Ghyll Brow Cottage – extension (subject to conditions)

7. Financial Matters

- (1) The month's accounts were approved for payment as follows:
reimbursement to Clerk for printing costs - £28
- (2) The Bank Reconciliation and Monitoring Statement to end December 2016 were received and noted.

8. Funding Proposal

The request for funding support from Craven & Harrogate District CAB, received for information at the last meeting (Minute 11(iii) refers) was considered. It was RESOLVED:

“THAT a donation of £100 be provided to the Craven & Harrogate District CAB to provide a contribution to the costs of refurbishment at the Skipton offices.”

9. Consultations and Correspondence

- (i) Correspondence Newsletters and emails circulated for information were noted.
- (ii) Beacon Lighting 11 November 2018 A letter from CDC, giving details of proposals for a beacon-lighting ceremony on 11 November, was noted.
- (iii) Local Green Space A letter from CDC, giving notice that the application to register the lane as a local green space had not been successful.

10. Applications for Co-option to Casual Vacancy

Applications for co-option to the casual vacancy on the Council were received, and applicants were invited to address the Council.

11. Exclusion of Press and Public

It was RESOLVED:

“THAT the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of agenda item 11 – Co-option of Member to Casual Vacancy - on the grounds that the discussion of personal information may be prejudicial to the public interest.”

Members of the public present at the meeting withdrew during the detailed consideration of applications.

12.Co-option of Member to Casual Vacancy

It was RESOLVED:

“THAT Mr Neale be and he is hereby appointed to the casual vacancy on the Council with immediate effect.”

Cllr Neale signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form in the presence of the Clerk to the Council and was provided with a form for the notification of interests for completion and return to the District Council.

13.Date of next Council Meeting

Subject to confirmation, the next meeting would be held on **Thursday** 16 February 2017 at 7.30pm in the village hall.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Chairman