

DRAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 13 March 2019 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr R Neale – in the Chair (from Minute 3)
Cllr A Mole
Cllr A Turner
Cllr J Garnett

Mrs J Markham – Clerk

In attendance:

Cllr R Heseltine, Ward Representative NYCC
Cllr D Pighills, Ward Representative Craven DC
Mr W Gray, Craven DC (to Minute 5 only)

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1. Apologies for Absence

Received from the Chairman; reasons for absence approved.

2. Election of Chairman

In the absence of the Chairman, it was

RESOLVED (proposed: Cllr Garnett; seconded: Cllr Turner): “THAT Cllr R Neale be and he is hereby elected as Chairman of the Meeting.”

3. 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 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.

Relevant Interests disclosed: None.

Additional Interests disclosed: None.

4. Cleaner Neighbourhoods

At the invitation of the Chairman of the meeting, Mr Gray, Craven DC’s Environmental Health & Clean Neighbourhoods, presented a report on the District Council’s proactive approach to tackling dog fouling, littering and fly-tipping. It was noted that incidents should be reported to Customer Services as witnessed, and action would be taken to issue fixed

penalty notices. Mr Gray offered to forward further information to the Clerk, and the Clean Neighbourhoods initiative would be publicised in detail in the next village newsletter.

On behalf of the Council, the Chairman of the meeting thanked Mr Gray for attending.

5. Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 February 2019

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 13 February 2019 were taken as read, approved as a true and correct record, and signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

6. Matters Arising

- (i) Traffic safety Villagers' ongoing concerns with traffic speeds were to be considered further outside the meeting and brought forward for debate at the April meeting. Cllr Mole reported that the second speed warning sign was to be installed at the bottom of Donkey Neddy.
- (ii) Dog waste bins It was reported that the 2 new bins had now been installed. It was confirmed that the provision of waste bins around the village was adequate, given current levels of use.
- (iii) SCAD The Clerk reported that representatives of SCAD had agreed to attend the Annual Parish Meeting to talk about the Dial-a-Ride minibus scheme.

7. Memorial Garden

The Clerk gave an update, following a meeting held with interested volunteers on 11 March. It was anticipated that ideas would be developed in more detail during discussions on site on 7 April, and this would then be followed up with further consultation via the next newsletter.

It was noted that replacement planting at the bus stop was scheduled to take place, weather permitting, in the week beginning 18 March.

8. Planning

The following planning matters were discussed:

- (i) Housing development at top of the village (Ref 2018/18883/FUL) – it was noted that the application had now been refused by the planning authority. This was welcomed.
- (ii) Tree works at 1 Meadowcroft (Ref 2019/20284/TCA) – no comments to be made.

9. Financial Matters

A The month's accounts were approved for payment, and cheques were signed as required.

10. Consultations, Correspondence and Members' Discussion Forum

Newsletters and emails circulated for information were noted, including the District Council's consultation on the Proposed Main Modifications to the draft Local Plan.

An update on plans at the Dales Care Home was noted.

In response to a query raised by a resident, the Clerk was asked to liaise with Cllr Heseltine as regards a suggestion to improve the pavement kerbs at the bus stops.

The Chairman of the meeting reported that the District Council was to be approached with a request to take action to clear the sewers of rats again. He also commented that the village newsletter would be used as an opportunity to request additional voluntary support for cutting the verges this year.

11. Date of next Meeting

Date of the next meeting – 10 April 2019 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Chairman