

# **DRAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 13 January 2020 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm**

Present: Cllr A Mole - Chairman  
Cllr J Garnett  
Cllr R Neale  
Cllr A Turner  
Mrs J Markham – Clerk

In attendance: Cllr D Pighills, Ward Representative,  
Craven District Council

Mr G Tarn, Environmental Protection  
Officer, Craven District Council

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### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Received from Cllr Billing; reasons for absence approved.

### **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 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: Cllr Garnett – Agenda item 7(ii) (Planning Application re land at Draughton Heights) – Personal interest as neighbouring landowner

Additional Interests disclosed: None.

### **3. Craven District Council – Environmental Protection**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Tarn, Environmental Protection Officer, to the meeting, and he provided advice on pest and vermin control in the village. He noted that, in response to a request initiated by the Council, he had instructed Yorkshire Water to clear the sewers and drainage systems again. Cllr Neale offered to keep a record of any future issues and vermin sightings so that subsequent requests could be sent in to the District Council for further sewer treatments to be carried out.

Information sheets were provided to affected residents, present at the meeting, and details would be reported in the next edition of the

newsletter. In the meantime, letters from the Environmental Protection Officer would be sent to specific residents as necessary.

#### 4. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 9 December 2019

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 December 2019 were taken as read, approved as a true and correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

#### 5. Matters Arising

- (i) Future village events It was reported that the website had been prepared and supplies were in stock.
- (ii) Chelker – repair works It was noted that residents had complained to Cllr Garnett and to the local MP as regards access to their properties; this had been followed up and residents advised to discuss their requirements further with Yorkshire Water. The Clerk was asked to report concerns with speed restrictions on the A65 to Highways.
- (iii) Contact information for former residents The Chairman reported that a response had been sent to the correspondent.

#### 6. Memorial Garden

The Clerk reported that a quotation of £1468 had been received for the costs of laying a path through the wood to the new bench, in excess of funds authorised for the works at the last meeting. It was agreed to consider matters further outside the meeting, in light of alternative priorities for expenditure.

#### 7. Planning

The following planning matters were discussed:

- (i) Housing development at top of the village (Ref 2018/18883/FUL) – no further developments.

*Disclosing a personal interest, as a neighbouring landowner, Cllr Garnett withdrew from the discussion of the following item of business and took no part in the decision on the matter*

- (ii) Land at Draughton Heights (Ref 2019/20400/FUL) – amendments to the scheme were discussed and the Clerk was authorised to send a response to the planning authority to confirm comments previously made in relation to the proposals.

#### 8. Financial Matters

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

#### 9. Policies and Procedures

Revised arrangements issued by the District Council for dealing with Code of Conduct Complaints were noted.

#### 10. Consultations, Correspondence and Members' Discussion Forum

Newsletters and emails circulated for information were noted, including details for the YLCA Branch Meeting to be held in Draughton on 25 January.

Notice of the YLCA Spring Training Conference was received and it was agreed that, subject to the approval of Addingham Parish Council, the attendance fee of £120 would be shared; the Clerk was authorised to agree arrangements as necessary.

#### 11. Date of next Meetings

The next meeting would be held on Monday 10 February 2020 at 7.00pm in the village hall.

The following revised meeting dates were agreed:

16 March

4 May

The meeting closed at 8pm.

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Chairman