

# **DRAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 10 February 2020 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm**

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

In attendance:

Cllr D Pighills, Ward Representative, CDC  
Cllr R Heseltine, Ward Representative, NYCC

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### 1. Apologies for Absence

None

### 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: None

Additional Interests disclosed: None.

### 3. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13 January 2020

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 January 2020 were taken as read, approved as a true and correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

### 4. Matters Arising

- (i) Environmental Protection It was reported that work on treating the sewers in the centre of the village was ongoing. A list of affected addresses was being drawn up and mapped by Cllr Neale and a copy would be provided to the Environmental Protection officer at CDC to enable him to issue advice notices to residents.
- (ii) Chelker – repair works At the invitation of the Chairman, local residents reported on problems concerning access for their farm business whilst works were in progress. It was noted that

negotiations with YW and their contractors were in progress and an agreement for improved access arrangements was being sought. If the outcome of these negotiations proved unsatisfactory, it was agreed that a site meeting amongst councillors, residents, YW and contractors, together with Ward Representatives, would be requested by the Council in order to pursue matters further. The Clerk also noted that concerns with speed restrictions on the A65 had been reported to Highways.

- (iii) X84 It was noted that a new timetable for the service was to be issued on 23 February.
- (iv) YLCA Spring Conference The Clerk reported that Addingham parish council had decided not to book a place at the conference.

#### 5. YLCA Branch Meeting

The Chairman and Clerk reported on the YLCA Branch Meeting, held on 25 January in Draughton. Notably, highways concerns from local member councils had been discussed at length, and the Communications Officer at NYCC was to be invited to attend the next meeting, to be held in Skipton in June.

In the meantime, the Chairman invited all members to review Government guidance documents on highways regulations; these would be circulated outside the meeting.

It was noted that the new YLCA website was now live, and could be accessed, on a password restricted basis, by individual members.

#### 6. Memorial Garden

The Clerk reported on a revised quotation for the costs of laying paths to access the new bench, based on an alternative surface of bark chippings. After discussion, however, it was decided not to proceed with proposals for pathways on the green and through the wood, but to focus instead on creating the seating area as a pleasant place for quiet reflection.

#### 7. Planning

The following planning matters were discussed:

- (i) Housing development at top of the village (Ref 2018/18883/FUL) – no further developments.
- (ii) Land at Draughton Heights (Ref 2019/20400/FUL) – the Council's response to the scheme amendments had been submitted; no further developments.

#### 8. Elections 2020

Members noted the date of the elections due to be held on 7 May 2020, and copies of nomination forms were received. Further information would be circulated to all candidates and posted publicly as and when available.

#### 9. Spring Newsletter

The Clerk introduced proposals for the content and layout of the newsletter, following the same format used for previous editions. This was agreed, and it was RESOLVED: “THAT expenditure of up to £140 be approved for the printing costs of the Spring edition of the village newsletter, and that the Clerk be authorised to prepare a draft, for circulation and comment by members outside the meeting, and to organise printing and distribution as necessary.”

#### 10. Financial Matters

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

#### 11. Consultations, Correspondence and Members’ Discussion Forum

Newsletters and emails circulated for information were noted, including access details for the new YLCA website.

It was noted that nominations had been requested by CDC for parish council vacancies on the Standards Committee.

Notice of the date of the Yorkshire Day celebration on 1 August in Rotherham was received, and a brief review of local VE Day arrangements was discussed. It was noted that the Addingham Neighbourhood Plan had been adopted by the planning authority.

#### 12. Date of next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Monday 16 March 2020 at 7.00pm in the village hall. Agenda item – weed clearance of verges

The meeting closed at 8pm.

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Chairman