

MOOR MONKTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM IN THE SCHOOLROOM, MOOR MONKTON, ON TUESDAY 23 AUGUST 2017

Present: Councillors Johnson (Chairman), Duncan, Goddard and Philliskirk. Also present were three residents and the Clerk, James Mackman.

17.089 - TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (NOT PREVIOUSLY DECLARED) ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None. But Councillor Goddard declared that he had an interest in planning application 17/02472/FUL.

17.090 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

County Councillor Andy Paraskos sent his apologies as he was attending the Green Hammerton PC meeting.

17.091 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 JULY 2017

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 July 2017, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved and signed.

17.092 – TO RECEIVE A NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT

There was no report on this subject.

17.093 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was a query about whether the Parish Council should pay to cut hedges along the roadside. The answer given was that where a hedge is obscuring a driver's view it is expedient, from a safety point of view, to have the hedge cut as soon as possible rather than spend time arguing about whose responsibility it is.

17.094 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider the following Planning Applications

The Councillors considered the planning applications received since the July Parish Council as listed below: -

Details of Planning Application	Comments
Ref: 17/01779/OUT - Outline application for demolition of bungalow and erection of 2 detached 4 bed dormer bungalows with all matters reserved at Fourways, Moor Monkton by Mr P Owen.	The Parish Council does not object but has concerns that the existing sewerage system has issues that need to be resolved.
Ref: 17/02472/FUL – Conversion and extension of outbuilding to form 1 residential dwelling with erection of porch canopy, raising of roof height and erection of new boundary wall and gate with alterations to access and formation of hardstanding and associated landscaping (Revised scheme) at Wheatsheaf Farm, Church Lane by Mr R Goddard.	No objections

Note that Councillor Goddard absented himself from the meeting whilst the Councillors discussed the planning application for Wheatsheaf Farm.

(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

It was noted that no planning decisions had been made since the July Parish Council meeting.

17.095 - FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 23 August 2017. The report reflected the receipts and payments (net of VAT) below.

The bank balances at 23 August were:

HSBC Current Account	£500.00
HSBC Deposit Account	£8,886.79

(b) To note accounts for payment

067	Moor Monkton Village Association	Grant towards the refurbishment of the phone box	£300.00
068	YLCA	Cllr Duncan course	£33.75
069	James Mackman	Salary – August	£120.00
070	Post Office Ltd	Income Tax – August	£30.00
071	James Mackman	Expenses	£7.51

(c) To note income received

None

17.096 - TO NOTE PROGRESS ON THE UPGRADING OF THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

It was reported that a meeting had been held about the website. The website is being upgraded so that the Parish Council's site will have links to various aspects such as minutes, agendas etc. There is to be a link to the Moor Monkton Facebook page. The Clerk confirmed that the grant for the new website can be applied to the upgrading. It was agreed that up to £500 could be spent on upgrading the existing website.

17.097 – TO DISCUSS HOW TO SOLVE PROBLEM OF LITTER AND OTHER RUBBISH DOWN CHURCH LANE

It was agreed that a litter pick would be held on 1 October. Residents are to be notified by email. **(Action Clerk)**

Councillor Johnson is to make arrangements with Harrogate Borough Council for the provision of litter pickers and bags and to arrange for the collection of the bags after the litter pick. **(Action Councillor Johnson)**

17.098 – TO REVIEW THE PARISH COUNCIL'S RISK ASSESSMENT

The Councillors considered the draft risk assessment provided by the Clerk. It was agreed to add the notice boards to the list of assets and provide a sum for the property cover. The risk assessment was then approved.

17.099 - TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT GREEN HAMMERTON

The Councillors referred to Kirk Hammerton Parish Council's response to the proposed Green Hammerton development. It was agreed that the Parish Council would respond to Harrogate Borough Council, endorsing Kirk Hammerton's response, and adding comments regarding the

increase in traffic and the problem with flooding that could occur if the project goes ahead. It was agreed that Councillor Goddard would complete and send off the Parish Council's response.
(Action Councillor Goddard)

17.100 – TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED SUGAR BEET FACTORY AT ALLERTON PARK

After a discussion on this subject it was resolved that the Parish Council had no objections to the proposed scheme.

17.101 – TO DISCUSS ALLEVIATING CONFUSION OVER POSTCODES AND PROPERTIES ACCESSED FROM MARSTON LANE.

The Chairman mentioned the problem that was occurring with drivers using the post code satnavs and missing their destination. The Councillors agreed that, whilst they were sympathetic to the problem, the Parish Council does not have the power to deal with the subject.

17.102 – TO DISCUSS FOOTPATH SIGNS, SITES AND COSTS

It was agreed that a working party consisting of Councillors Duncan and Goddard would consider the problems with footpath signs and report back to a future Parish Council meeting.
(Action Councillors Duncan & Goddard)

17.103 - TO AGREE UPON DESIGN OF NOTICE BOARD JUNCTION OF A59 AND CHURCH LANE

The working party mentioned above was authorised to consider the subject of the notice board design. **(Action Councillors Duncan & Goddard)**

17.104 - TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON TRAINING OF THE USE OF THE DEFIBRILLATOR

Councillor Duncan reported that there is to be a training session on the defibrillator on 19 September. The Clerk is to email all residents again to remind them of the training date.
(Action Clerk)

17.105 - TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT ON PROGRESS ON THE FOLLOWING: -

(a) The problem with debris in the River Nidd (Min. 17.083a)

It was agreed that it is the responsibility of landowners with property adjoin the river to look after the banks and that they also have responsibility for half the width of the river.

(b) The naming of Main Street (which is not currently recognised by Royal Mail) – Min. 17.082)

The Clerk reported on his conversation with Ordnance Survey. OS say that they record information but do not decide on the names of places and highways. They would have to be notified by a Principal Authority if there was a name change. After a short discussion, it was agreed not to proceed with this subject.

17.106 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

17.106.1 - The Clerk referred to the following items of correspondence: -

- (a) Friends of the Earth - FOI request re fracking
- (b) Aon (the Parish Council's insurers) have advised that they are ceasing Parish Council insurance and have made arrangements for another insurance broker, BHIB Ltd, to arrange insurance cover in the future
- (c) PKF Littlejohn - Completion of audit papers
- (d) Boroughbridge Area Safer Neighbourhood Group - Meeting on 31 August

- (e) HBC - Parish Consultation meeting 13 September
- (f) HBC - Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

17.106.2 - It was noted that all relevant correspondence received since the 21 July meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors

- (a) HBC - Volunteering Oscars 2017
- (b) Kirk Hammerton Parish Council's response to Green Hammerton houses proposal
- (c) LIN OPS - Graduation event 4 August
- (d) NYCC - Notice of Public Consultation - Working Better Together
- (e) YLCA - Finance & Transparency Guidance booklet
- (f) YLCA - White Rose Update - August 2017
- (g) YLCA - NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin 29 - 4 August 2017

17.107 - TO RECEIVE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS (IF PRESENT)

Neither the District Councillor nor County Councillor were present so there were no reports.

17.108 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

None.

17.109 - TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None.

17.110 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Parish Council meeting would be held in the Schoolroom on Thursday 26 October 2017 at 7.30pm.

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 9.10pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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