

MOOR MONKTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM IN THE SCHOOLROOM, MOOR MONKTON, ON WEDNESDAY 6 JANUARY 2016

Present: Councillors Kirkham (Chairman), Harrison, Horner, Johnson and Philliskirk. Also present were seven residents and the Clerk, James Mackman.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Michael Wilson gave a report on Neighbourhood Watch. In particular he drew attention to a survey from the Police Commissioner about local police funding for 2016-17. He had circulated this to the 20+ residents on his circulation list. It was agreed that the Clerk should forward the email to the 70+ residents on his emailing list. **(Action Clerk)**

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

There were no declarations.

16.002 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

All Councillors being present there were no apologies.

16.003 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14 OCTOBER 2015

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14 October 2015, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved and signed.

16.004 – CLERK’S REPORT ON

(a) Village Plan and questionnaire

The working group has arranged to meet on 14th January.

(b) The broken grit bin

The Clerk reported having recently contacted NYCC to remind them that they had agreed to replace the bin. The Clerk is to chase the County Council to provide a new bin. It was agreed that if a new bin is not forthcoming then the Clerk is authorised to purchase a new bin for the grit. **(Action Clerk)**

16.005 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider the following Planning Application

Ref: 15/05208/FUL – Installation of ground mounted solar PV panels at Oakland Farm, Church Lane by Oaklands Farm Ltd.	We support the application
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(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

There had been no applications for Harrogate Borough Council to consider since the October Parish Council meeting.

16.006 – TO AGREE TO REVIEW STANDING ORDERS.

It was agreed that the Standing Orders be reviewed. The Clerk is to email all Councillors a copy of the current Standing Orders and a template of what NALC/SLCC recommend should be adopted. **(Action Clerk)**

16.007 - TO GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO HAVING A DEDICATED WEBSITE FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL SO AS TO COMPLY WITH THE SMALLER AUTHORITIES' TRANSPARENCY CODE

It was reported that since the October meeting two things have happened.

1. The Clerk has obtained details of the County Council's offer of hosting a website which would display the details required by the Transparency Code.
2. Ian Pickering has made an offer of the use of moormonkton.com for the above purpose.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would take up Mr Pickering's offer. The Clerk is to be given the necessary information to enable him to access the website and add the documents that the Transparency Code requires to be displayed. **(Action Clerk)**

It was also agreed that details of the Parish Council's website address will be published at the end of every set of minutes and other appropriate documents. **(Action Clerk)**

16.008 – TO GIVE FURTHER CONSIDERATION TO THE FUTURE OF THE PHONE BOX

It was reported that there had been three responses to the email to residents asking for offers to buy the phone box. There was one positive offer, one asking for more information and the third suggesting that a working party be formed to refurbish the phone box.

It was agreed that further discussion on the future of the phone box be deferred until the March Parish Council meeting in the hope that more offers to buy it would be forthcoming.

16.009 - FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 6 January 2016. The report reflected the receipts and payments (net of VAT) below.

The bank balances at 6 January were:

Santander Current Account	£0.00
HSBC Current Account	£500.00
HSBC Deposit Account	£8,304.69

(b) To agree accounts for payment

019	Information Commissioner	Annual Fee	£35.00
020	James Mackman	Salary – November to January	£349.98
021	James Mackman	Expenses (including SLCC subscription £11.90)	£18.85
022	Upper Poppleton Parish Council	Contribution to stationery costs	£20.00

(c) *To receive a report on income received*
HSBC Bank interest £1.10

(d) *To agree to pay a proportion of the Clerk's SLCC subscription*

It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay £11.90 towards the total of this year's subscription of £167.00.

(e) *To agree the Budget for 2016-17 and set the precept*

The Councillors considered the proposed budget that the Clerk had circulated prior to the meeting. After a review of all the discretionary and non-discretionary items it was resolved to set the precept at £3,400 for the financial year 2016-17. The Clerk completed and signed the appropriate Harrogate Borough Council request form. The agreed budget is attached to these minutes.

16.010 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

16.010.01 – The Clerk referred to the following items of correspondence

- (a) HBC - 2016 Elections details
- (b) James Robinson – HBC - Defibrillator grant news
- (c) Matthew Baynham - Defibrillators
- (d) NYCC - Skip Old Bridge maintenance update
- (e) NYCC - Minerals and Waste Joint Plan reminder

16.010.02 - It was noted that all relevant correspondence received since the 18 August meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Emma McIntosh – HBC - Green waste collection consultation
- (b) Exploreyork - Yortime News - December 2015
- (c) Exploreyork - Yortime News - January 2016
- (d) HARCVS - News and Funding File & Care in Action - Autumn/Winter 2015
- (e) HARCVS - News and Funding Update - December 2015
- (f) John Savage - Church Lane drainage email
- (g) John Savage - Marston Moor Lane crossing closure
- (h) Judith Nesbitt – NYCC - Flooding response request
- (i) NYCC - Passenger Transport Bus Subsidy Reductions - update
- (j) NYCC - NYCC Local Transport Plan LTP4 - Draft Plan - Consultation Invitation
- (k) YLCA - Letter regarding the 2016-17 subscription
- (l) YLCA - White Rose update
- (m) YLCA - Changes to the External Audit Regime

16.011 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

- (a) It was agreed that the residents should be emailed the details from the Borough Council of the forthcoming Parish Council elections. Two meetings for prospective Parish Councillors have been arranged. The Clerk agreed that he would be willing to provide information to any resident who was interested in standing at the election.
- (b) A resident has complained about the incidence of dog excrement in Main Street. It was agreed that this should be minuted so that all residents would be made aware of this with the hope that the person responsible for letting their dog foul the pavement understand that this is not a socially acceptable practice in 2016.

16.012 - TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- (a) Funding for the Queen’s 90th Birthday Celebrations.
- (b) The new audit regime
- (c) Notice boards refurbishment.

16.013 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday 29 February 2016 at 7.30pm.

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 9.23pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....2016

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