

MOOR MONKTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

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

There were no declarations.

16.032 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillor Kirkham. Apologies had also been received from District Councillor Chris Lewis.

16.033 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29 FEBRUARY 2016

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29 February 2016, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved and signed.

16.034 – CLERK’S REPORT ON

(a) Village Plan and questionnaire

Councillor Harrison reported that they are half-way through writing a report.

(b) The future of the phone box

It was agreed to defer discussion on this subject until a new Parish Council is formed after the election on 16 June.

(c) Refurbishing the two village notice boards

It was noted that repairs have been carried out to the two notice boards.

The Schoolroom notice board doors have been reglued and reglazed. It was agreed to pay half the cost of the £40 bill for the repairs, the Richard Kay Trust paying the balance.

It was agreed to pay £21.04 for the repair to the notice board at the A59 end of Church Lane.

16.035 - TO AGREE TO DELEGATE APPROPRIATE POWERS TO THE CLERK UNTIL 20 JUNE 2016 OR UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT A NEW COUNCIL IS DULY QUORATE

It was noted that only two Councillors stood at the election on 5 May. Three are needed for a quorum. In order to remedy the situation the Harrogate Borough Council has called another election for 16 June 2016. Legally, the three retiring Councillors remain in office until four days after the election. From 9 May to 20 June there will only be two Councillors.

It was agreed that the Clerk be given the authority to conduct the affairs of the Parish Council, in conjunction with the two elected Councillors, until such a time that the Council is again quorate

16.036 - FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

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

The bank balances at 6 May were:

Santander Current Account	£0.00
HSBC Current Account	£500.00
HSBC Deposit Account	£8,776.14

(b) To agree accounts for payment

027 James Mackman	Salary – April and May – gross	£233.32
028 YLCA	Annual subscription	£122.00
029 Aon UK Ltd	Annual insurance premium	£250.46
030 James Mackman	Expenses	£8.03

(c) To receive a report on income received

HBC	1 st half year's precept	£1,700.00
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(d) To agree to subscribe to the YLCA for 2016-17 - £122.00

It was agreed to subscribe to the YLCA for 2016-17.

(e) To agree to renew the Parish Council's insurance with AON - £250.46

The Clerk reported that AON had sent the insurance renewal papers. Last year the Parish Council agreed to a three-year contract. This is the second year of the contract. The Councillors passed the invoice for payment.

(f) To agree the Annual Governance Statement on the Annual Return

The Councillors considered the questions in the Annual Governance Statement of the Annual Return. It was agreed that the Parish Council response to all the questions was "Yes" and the Chairman and Clerk signed the form.

(g) To agree the Statement of Accounts on the Annual Return

The Clerk gave an explanation of the figures in the Statement of Accounts on the Annual Return. It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk should sign the form.

(h) To agree payment for claims against funds set aside for the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations

Invoices totalling £69.76 for the Queen's 90th Birthday Village Afternoon Tea were agreed.

16.037 - TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE WEBSITE

The Clerk reported that he had not yet added to the website. Ian Pickering had downloaded the papers for this evening's meeting to the website.

16.038 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

16.038.01 – The Clerk referred to the following item of correspondence

(a) HBC - Bulb/Wildflower scheme – it was agreed that daffodils be requested

(b) The Pensions Regulator - Staging date is 1 May 2017

(c) YLCA – Information on what to do when a Parish Council is not quorate after an election

16.038.02 - It was noted that all relevant correspondence received since the 29 February meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Exploreyork - Yortime News - April 2016
- (b) HARCVS - News and Funding Update - Spring 2016
- (c) HARCVS - Understanding and Responding to Local Needs
- (d) NYCC - Household Waste Recycling Centres news
- (e) YLCA - White Rose Updates – March and April 2016

16.039 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

It was agreed that BT be asked to renovate the phone box at the A59 end of Church Lane.
(Action Clerk)

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 8.06pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....2016

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