

## **MOOR MONKTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM IN THE SCHOOLROOM, MOOR MONKTON, ON TUESDAY 13 JULY 2017**

**Present:** Councillors Johnson (Chairman), Asquith, Duncan and Goddard. Also present were seventeen residents, County Councillor Andy Paraskos and the Clerk, James Mackman.

#### **17.065 -TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR AND RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE**

Councillor Johnson was unanimously elected as Chairman and signed the Declaration of Office.

#### **17.066 - TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Goddard was elected as Vice-Chairman.

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

None.

#### **17.068 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillor Philliskirk.

#### **17.069 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26 APRIL 2017**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26 April 2017, having been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved and signed.

#### **17.070 – TO RECEIVE A NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT**

Michael Wilson reported that residents should be aware of ransomware being downloaded into their computers.

Michael also reported that North Yorkshire Police have been made aware of members of the public receiving phone calls from a male, speaking in a foreign accent, claiming to be from BT advising them that their computer has alerted them to problems in relation to their Broadband/Router. He claims that it is being heavily infected with a virus and as such BT need to send an engineer to their property the next day. But beforehand they require the customer to log onto their computer to facilitate a fault report for the engineer. If the customer refuses to go along with their scam, the male becomes extremely abusive.

#### **17.071 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

#### **17.072 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

*To note Local Authority Planning Decisions*

The Clerk reported that planning application 17/01886/PDUCO – Erection of conservatory at Hunters Lodge, East Lane by Mrs J Riley, had been permitted by the Borough Council.

There was still no decision on the removal of the phone box at the junction of Church Lane and the A59.

## 17.073 - FINANCE

### (a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 13 July 2017. The report reflected the receipts and payments (net of VAT) below.

The bank balances at 13 July were:

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| HSBC Current Account | £500.00   |
| HSBC Deposit Account | £9,378.05 |

### (b) To note accounts for payment

|     |                 |                          |         |
|-----|-----------------|--------------------------|---------|
| 062 | Aon UK Ltd      | Annual insurance premium | £256.18 |
| 063 | YLCA            | Chairmanship course      | £86.25  |
| 064 | James Mackman   | Salary – May to July     | £360.00 |
| 065 | Post Office Ltd | Income Tax – May to July | £90.00  |
| 066 | James Mackman   | Expenses                 | £23.78  |

### (c) To note income received

|                           |                                     |           |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Harrogate Borough Council | 1 <sup>st</sup> half-year's precept | £1,700.00 |
| HSBC                      | Bank interest                       | £0.81     |

### (d) To agree to ratify AON insurance

This was agreed.

## 17.074 – TO DISCUSS THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST FOR STREET LIGHTS ON THE A59

The Clerk reminded Councillors that the original request to NYCC for street lighting had produced a response to say that street lighting would not be considered unless there was a speed limit along the road of, say, 40mph. The Clerk had requested that consideration be given to a speed limit and had recently received a reply which included this statement: -

“To reduce the speed limit, we would need to bring speeds down, which would mean costly engineering measures, and would still not give them impression of a reduced speed limit, on a straight road. There is not a length of street lighting, footways both sides, and development on both sides to warrant a reduced speed limit. Development at this location is very sporadic, and a lot are obscured behind trees and high hedges which does not inform drivers they are in a built-up area, and does not give the impression of a reduced speed limit.”

The Chairman felt that the approach to NYCC should have been restricted to a request for street lighting, as the council had asked. She felt that mention of the speed limit may have confused the issue, the other councillors present agreed. However, Councillors agreed to take the subject off the agenda for the time being.

## 17.075 - TO NOTE THE PROGRESS ON THE CREATION OF A PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

It was agreed not to proceed with having VisionICT create a website for the Parish Council but to arrange for the Parish Council's section of the Parish website upgraded. Councillor Goddard agreed to look into this subject. **(Action Councillor Goddard)**

## 17.076 – TO REVIEW THE PARISH COUNCIL'S RISK ASSESSMENT

It was agreed to defer discussion on this subject for another meeting.

**17.077 – TO DISCUSS THE GRASS VERGE CONTRACT**

It was agreed to accept a quotation from Richard Burniston & Son for cutting the verges from White Syke Farm to the end of East Lane three times a year and cutting the hedges from the crossroads to Turn Bridge on both sides of the road and from the crossroads to the railway on the York side of the road.

**17.078 – TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR DOUBLE YELLOW LINES OUTSIDE STEVE ADAMS HOUSE**

It was agreed that there should be no yellow lines in the village. It was suggested that two red and white-striped cones be acquired to put on the roadside when necessary. Councillors are to find a place where the cones could be stored.

**17.079 – TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM THE VILLAGE ASSOCIATION FOR FUNDS TOWARDS REFURBISHING THE PHONE BOX**

Thanks were expressed to the volunteers who have so successfully refurbished the phone box in Main Street. Following a request from the Village Association it was agreed to give a grant of £300 towards the cost of the refurbishment.

**17.080 - TO DISCUSSION MATTERS CONCERNING THE PROPER USE OF AND ACCESS TO THE DEFIBRILLATOR**

It was reported that the paediatric pads have been replaced and that water is getting into the box when it rains with a westerly wind. Recently, the equipment had to be taken away and dried out for five days before being put back.

The defibrillator is being checked every Thursday.

It was noted that a leaflet explaining the use of the defibrillator had been produced and delivered to all residences in the village since the April Parish Council meeting.

It was agreed that a training course for would-be users of the defibrillator would be arranged by Councillor Johnson. **(Action Councillor Johnson)**

**17.081 – TO CONSIDER COUNCILLOR TRAINING**

It was agreed that Councillor Johnson should attend a YLCA-run Chairmanship Skills course at the Fairfield Manor, Skelton on 10 August.

It was also agreed that Councillor Duncan be booked on the YLCA's "Developing Your Skills as a Councillor" course at Tankersley Manor Hotel, Church Lane, Tankersley, Barnsley on 7 August. **(Action Clerk)**

**17.082 – TO DISCUSS THE NAMING OF MAIN STREET (WHICH IS NOT CURRENTLY RECOGNISED BY ROYAL MAIL)**

Although there is a sign which marks Main Street the street itself is not recognised by that name by Royal Mail. Harrogate Borough Council's Electoral Roll for Moor Monkton does show the houses in Main Street as being in Main Street. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the Ordnance Survey and ask if they could amend their map to show Main Street and advise the Royal Mail of Main Street's existence so that, thereafter, postal deliveries do not go astray. **(Action Clerk)**

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

(a) *The problem with debris in the River Nidd (Min. 17.059a)*

There was no news on this subject.

(b) *Confirmation of completion of registration to the workplace pension scheme with the Pension Regulator*

The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council had received acknowledgement of declaration of compliance from The Pension Regulator.

**17.084 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK**

*17.084.1 - The Clerk referred to the following items of correspondence: -*

- (a) Friends of the Earth - FOI request re fracking
- (b) HBC - Election Notice for notice board
- (c) HBC - Local Plan - updated timescale
- (d) HMRC - Request to pay PAYE electronically
- (e) YLCA - New Data Protection information

*17.084.2 - It was noted that all relevant correspondence received since the 26 April meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors*

- (a) Ashley Teague - New settlement report
- (b) Explore York Libraries & Archives - Yortime May 2017
- (c) Gerald Rolph - Allerton Park sugar beet factory
- (d) HARCVS - Introduction session - 20 June
- (e) HARCVS - Care in Action Newsletter Summer 2017
- (f) HBC - Parish Consultation Meetings - Terms of reference
- (g) HBC - Hazardous Household Waste Consultation Information
- (h) Julia Mulligan - Police update
- (i) Minerals and Waste Joint Plan Team - Minerals and Waste Joint Plan – Addendum
- (j) Philip Wright, PCSO 5510 - Neighbourhood messaging details
- (k) The Pensions Regulator - Declaration of compliance deadline notification
- (l) Tim Simpson, NYCC - A59 lighting response
- (m) YLCA - Training events for the rest of 2017

*17.084.3 - It was agreed that the correspondence received since the 26 April meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors*

- (a) Clerk & Councils Direct - May 2017 - Issue 111
- (b) Clerk & Councils Direct - July 2017 - Issue 112
- (c) YLCA – Annual Review 2016-2017

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

County Councillor Andy Paraskos stayed until the end of the meeting but said nothing that he wished to have minuted.

**17.086 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS**

None.

**17.087 - TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

To review Parish Council’s risk assessment

To discuss the proposed development at Green Hammerton and the proposed sugar beet factory near Allerton Park.

To discuss the postcodes for Marston Lane.

**17.088 - 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 17 August 2017 at 7.30pm.

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 8.15pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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