

WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Thursday 21st November 2013 at Wilberfoss Community Centre, Main Street, Wilberfoss

Present: Chairman Lesley Hoyer, Vice Chairman Pete Armstrong and Councillors Les Smith, Nick Olley and Monica Duffy, together with District Councillor Stephen Lane and one member of the public.

Apologies were received from Councillors Tricia Room, David Smith and Sue Butterfield.

An application for the current vacancy was received from Mike Skelton who had previously been a Councillor but whose circumstances have changed to allow him to commit wholeheartedly to the role. Councillor Olley proposed his appointment and Councillor Les Smith seconded it. Mike was duly co-opted and he completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting.

The 15 minute question time was utilised by the member of the public to address the Council over continuing concerns about speeding traffic on Storking Lane. He disputed the response from the Governor of Full Sutton Prison as to the timing of offences and suggested that traffic calming measures should be considered. The Clerk offered to speak to the Clerk at Fangfoss to enquire about the cost of their traffic calming measures and to ascertain who funded the project. A tree which is obstructing a 20 mph sign was also reported.

ACTION

2 There were no declarations of interest made by any Councillor present. Dispensations were given to Councillors, including those who were absent, in order to allow members to discuss the Annual Precept. The dispensations will remain in force until the next election. Councillor Skelton will request a dispensation before next month's meeting.

MS

3 Minutes of the Meeting of the Wilberfoss Parish Council held on 17th October 2013 were signed off as a true record.

4 The Council considered Planning Application 13/03687/PLF for the [Erection of a conservatory to the side](#) 8 Moorfield Drive Wilberfoss East Riding of Yorkshire YO41 5PZ and had no observations to make.

The Council received notification that Planning Application 13/02949 from Mr Neil Guyan for the erection of a sun room and installation of 4 velux windows at the rear of 24 Ings Road had been GRANTED.

5 District Councillor Stephen Lane advised that he had been notified by staff at ERYC that the A1079 road surface is safe and that no further work will be undertaken. He will request that the red patches are replaced and Councillor Hoyer advised that many of the road chippings are now blocking gullies and causing 'ponding' in times of heavy rain. This will be reported.

SL

6 The Clerk confirmed there had been no urgent decisions taken over the last month.

7 Councillor Les Smith presented the Council with a number of options with regard to the purchase of a shed and the details will be circulated. In principle the Council has agreed to purchase a metal shed (using existing funds from the Local Grant Fund) and arrange for a local tradesman to install it at the Community Centre.

The Clerk advised that the Council's public liability insurance will cover the installation of a millstone, which is being considered as a fitting memorial to the Wilberforce family, provided that the Parish Council takes ownership of the monument after it has been installed. Councillor Olley advised that a meeting with Dave England, Civil Engineer at ERYC, is still to be arranged. A further update will be given next month.

NO

The Council was complimented on its organisation of traffic control measures at this year's Remembrance Service.

8 **Environment & Community Matters**

A volunteer has been found to assist with the raising of the Union Flag and Yorkshire Flag. Councillor Armstrong has agreed to liaise with the volunteer, Peter Oates. The next flag flying date is in late February.

Items for the Newsletter, website and Facebook page include notification of the re-appointment of Mike Skelton, a congratulations to the Wilberfoss Lifestyles Team, notification of the issuing of a £700 fine for dog fouling, a thank you to the two members of the community who have agreed to join the village Snow Patrol and details of a further payment from the ERYC Recycle Credit Scheme.

SW

A discussion regarding the Community Orchard will take place next month after Councillor Room has had a meeting to discuss the proposal.

TR

Councillor Duffy advised that she has received very little contact with members of the Wilberfoss Flood Group and felt her efforts were a little one-sided. Contact with Dave England at ERYC has been unsuccessful to date. A lengthy discussion took place regarding the pros and cons of purchasing a pump and although the general feeling was that we

should make contact with local hirers of equipment as to purchase one would result in issues with regular maintenance and storage, Councillor Olley stressed that he felt the Parish Council should certainly take the lead in sourcing the equipment for when it is needed. District Councillor Lane suggested the Clerk contact ERYC to ask that Wilberfoss be added to the list of those in need of a pump and Councillor Duffy agreed to make contact with local hirers. Discussions are still ongoing.

MD/SW

In the absence of Councillor David Smith, the Clerk was pleased to confirm that two volunteers had offered to join the village Snow Patrol.

The Clerk notified the Council that she had approached two stonemasons to seek quotes for the work to the War Memorial. One had declined at present but was willing to quote after Christmas. Councillor Room confirmed that she had approached a third, although was waiting for a response. The Chairman asked Councillor Skelton if he would be willing to look into the completion of applications in a bid for funding. Councillor Skelton obliged.

TR/SW/
MS

Councillor Armstrong advised that the walkabout with the dog warden, although successful, did not encounter any dog foul. A number of bags and flyers have been left with the Clerk who has arranged to put them in the Community Centre and the Sports Club so far. These will be distributed further and notification of their whereabouts would be issued through the Newsletter. Councillor Armstrong has agreed to replace the signage at the play area, which should be displayed on the gates and not on the fence. The Clerk suggested that she would ask for sufficient flyers, which provide details of how to get in touch with the dog warden, to be distributed throughout the whole village.

SW

The Clerk reported that the Wilberfoss Lifestyles Team responsible for painting the mural on the wall at the Play Area had won first prize in the Humberside Lifestyles 2013 Competition. They will enjoy a trip of a lifetime to Disneyland Florida.

The Clerk notified the Council of correspondence regarding the All York Ticket which allows bus travel throughout York. The Clerk advised that she had made contact with EYMS and was awaiting a response.

SW

9 *Councillors Reports and items for future Agendas:*

The Chairman notified members that Column 15 on Main Street is being obstructed by an overgrown tree. The Clerk was asked to report.

SW

Councillor Armstrong advised that the area around the flagpole needs a tidy up and a tree needs trimming. The Clerk agreed to make contact with the Community Centre Management Committee.

SW

At this point both District Councillor Lane and the member of the public left the meeting.

10 **Finance**

Payment was approved for the following cheques, together with the payment of the Clerk's salary:

Chq No 1238	The Royal British Legion (wreath)	£25.00
Chq No 1239	Clerk's Telephone and Broadband expenses	£115.80
Chq No 1240	Acer Garden Services	£373.00
Chq No 1241	ERYC Street lighting Service Level Agreement	£191.46
Chq No 1242	ERNLLCA In-House Training	£168.00
Chq No 1243	Litter Picker	Confidential
Chq No 1244	Post Office Limited	Confidential

The Clerk confirmed receipt of the annual VAT of £204.34

The Clerk advised that a further payment of £121.17 had been received from the ERYC Recycle Credit Scheme.

A brief discussion took place regarding the setting of the Annual Precept. A firm decision could not be made following the Cabinet's decision about the distribution of funding. The Precept will be set next month.

11 *Administration Matters*

Members who attended the in-house training acknowledged that it was well attended, well run and informative.

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm

..... Lesley Hoyer (Chairman)

..... S M Wills (Clerk)