

WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Thursday 17th October 2013 at Wilberfoss Community Centre, Main Street, Wilberfoss

Present: Chairman Lesley Hoyer, Vice Chairman Pete Armstrong and Councillors Tricia Room, David Smith, Sue Butterfield and Monica Duffy, together with District Councillor Stephen Lane and one member of the public.

Apologies were received from Councillors Les Smith and Nick Olley.

The Clerk confirmed that there had been no applications for the current vacancy and it will continue to be advertised.

The 15 minute question time was not utilised.

ACTION

2 There were no declarations of interest made by any Councillor present.

3 Minutes of the Meeting of the Wilberfoss Parish Council held on 19th September 2013 were amended and subsequently signed as a true record. The amended Minutes will be displayed on the Parish website (www.wilberfossparish.org).

4 The Council considered Planning Application 13/03276 from Mr P Wright for the erection of a first floor extension to rear and new roof to garage at 43 Willow Park Road, Wilberfoss and had no observations to make.

The Council considered Planning Application 13/03050 from Mr and Mrs Ainsworth for the erection of a ground floor extension to re at Brierwick, 37 Main Street, Wilberfoss and had no observations to make.

The Council considered Planning Application 13/02949 from Mr Neil Guyan for the erection of a sun room and installation of 4 velux windows to rear at 24 Ings Road, Wilberfoss and had no observations to make.

The Council received notification that Planning Application 13/02426 from Mr and Mrs M Cousins for the erection of a first floor extension to side and single storey garage to front at 21 Paddock Close, Wilberfoss had been GRANTED.

Following the use of electronic devices to view Planning Applications at this month's meeting, the Council agreed a move to viewing all applications electronically from now on. A number of Councillors agreed to bring their own devices which would be shared and the Clerk confirmed that she would arrange for them to have internet access onsite. It was recommended that Councillors also view applications online prior to the meeting.

5 District Councillor Stephen Lane advised of the need for a dispensation so that Councillors can discuss the Precept. The Clerk confirmed that she had already circulated an email to this effect. He further advised that a license had been granted to allow a fracking test drill south west of Pocklington. Lastly, he advised that the Local Development Plan had seen no changes to the proposals for Wilberfoss and the Plan itself would not be finalised until spring of 2015.

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

7 In his absence, Councillor Les Smith had advised the Clerk of costs to purchase a storage unit. The Chairman asked that the matter be postponed to next month's meeting and in the meantime the Clerk would ask for photographs of the proposed units to be circulated. LS

Councillor Olley was absent from the meeting but had posed the question of public liability for the proposed memorial for the Wilberforce family. The Clerk was asked to speak to the Council's insurance company and report back at next month's meeting. In the meantime a site meeting between Councillor Olley, Margaret Smith (WiB) and Dave England, ERYC Highways would be arranged. NO

8 **Environment & Community Matters**

The next flag flying dates are the 10th, 11th, 14th and 20th November. Councillor Armstrong is prepared to raise the flag but has asked that the Council seek a volunteer to assist. The Chairman confirmed that she will lay the wreath on Remembrance Sunday and Councillors Armstrong and Butterfield will act as traffic wardens. Councillor Butterfield also advised that she would make contact with East Yorkshire Motor Services regarding the bus service that is due to pass through the village at the time of the service.

Items for the Newsletter, website and Facebook page include re-notification of the current vacancy together with a request for volunteers for the raising of the Union flag and volunteer to become members of the proposed snow clearing team. SW

A discussion regarding the Community Orchard will be postponed until Councillor Room has made contact with the TR

resident who made the initial request.

Councillor Duffy advised that she had met Ron Johnson, the Environment Agency’s Flood Resilience Officer. He had suggested that the Council’s need for a pump might be too limited to warrant the purchase of one and hiring a unit might be more beneficial. The unit would need regular servicing if purchased and the Council would incur unnecessary costs in doing this. Councillor Duffy further advised that she had made contact with the village’s Flood Wardens who are happy to remain in their roles. Further investigations are needed and a bid for funds from the Local Grant Fund has been placed on hold until the situation is clearer.

MD

The Clerk advised that the potholes on The Paddock have been filled in. She had made contact with ERYC regarding the provision of speed sensors and had been reminded that the exercise had been undertaken in December 2011 and had not resulted in excessive speeding on either Storking Lane or Main Street. The Clerk was requested to seek a further study in term time when the traffic is heavier. The Council was presented with a letter from the Governor of Full Sutton Prison who had acknowledged that there is a need to remind staff of the speed limits on Storking Lane but had suggested that some of the offenders are outside of the Prison shift times and more in line with school picking up and dropping off times.

SW

The Clerk confirmed that she had enquired about the reinstatement of yellow lining outside the school and this will be done before March 2014.

The Clerk advised that she had been told that the road surface of the A1079 would not be improved, following the poor resurfacing in the summer. The resident who was present at the meeting suggested the Council speaks to Pete Gladstone, Operations Manager at ERYC, who has agreed to drive the road himself and make an assessment. District Councillor Lane agreed to speak to Pete Gladstone on the Council’s behalf.

Councillors David Smith suggested the setting up of a Snow Clearing team to tackle the issue of snow on footpaths. The Clerk also suggested that the Council request that those residents who are capable, clear snow from the footpaths outside their own properties, and that of their neighbours should their neighbours not be capable. Suitable wording will be put in the Newsletter.

The Chairman notified the Council of correspondence from the War Memorial Trust which suggested that we may be entitled to funding to improve the lettering on the village War Memorial. The funding available will only cover 50% of the total cost so quotes will need to be sought and further funding applied for. The Clerk suggested the Local Grant Fund as an alternative source of funding and the Chairman and Councillor Room agreed to seek quotes. The Clerk was requested to contact Brad Webster at ERYC to see how long funds will be available through the Local Grant Fund.

9 Councillors Reports and items for future Agendas:

There were no requests from Councillors present.

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 1236	Acer Garden Services	£373.00
Chq No 1237	Wilberfoss Community Centre (Donation)	£1,000.00

A direct debit will be set up for the annual renewal of the Data Protection registration of £35.00 plus VAT.

The Clerk confirmed receipt of the second instalment of this year’s Precept at £8,557.51.

11 Administration Matters

Councillors Room, Duffy and Butterfield were reminded of the in-house training on Thursday 31st October from 7.00 pm in the Community Centre.

Meeting closed at 8.32 pm

..... Lesley Hoyer (Chairman)

..... S M Wills (Clerk)