

WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Thursday 16th January 2014 at Wilberfoss Community Centre, Main Street, Wilberfoss

Present: Chairman Lesley Hoyer, Vice Chairman Pete Armstrong and Councillors Tricia Room, David Smith, Monica Duffy, Mike Skelton and District Councillor Stephen Lane.

1. Apologies were received from Councillor Butterfield.
2. Councillors were already aware of the resignation of Councillors Nick Olley and Les Smith. Electoral Services have been informed and the relevant notices displayed.

The 15 minute question time was not utilised.

ACTION

3. Minutes of the Meeting of the Wilberfoss Parish Council held on 21st November 2013 were signed off as a true record.

4. The Council received notification that Planning Application 13/02105 from Mr and Mrs J Ainsworth for the erection of a ground floor extension to the rear of Brierwick, 37 Main Street, Wilberfoss had been granted.

The Council received notification that Planning Application from Chris Hamlet for the erection of a conservatory to the side of 8 Moorfield Drive, Wilberfoss had been granted.

The Council considered Planning Application 13/04134/PLF from Mr and Mrs D Burrows for the Erection of single storey extension to rear including installation of 3 roof lights and a two storey extension to side, following demolition of existing conservatory and single storey garage/utility room and had no observations to make.

5. District Councillor Lane notified Councillors that some Council's did not qualify for Council Tax Support Funding this year. We were successful, although the figure was less than half that of last year. Councillor Lane also confirmed that a campaign to reinstate the railway link between Beverley and York has been shelved.

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

7. The Clerk was asked to write to the Community Centre Management Committee to seek approval for the siting of the shed. The Council's preference is the tarmac to the rear of the Community Centre which will allow for installation without the need for an additional solid base.

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8. **Environment & Community Matters**

The next flag flying dates are 6th and 19th February. Pete Oates has agreed to raise the flag on the 6th and Pete Armstrong on the 19th.

PO/PA

Items for the Newsletter, website and Facebook page include notification of the two current vacancies and details of the All York Bus ticket. It was agreed that the current Facebook page will be closed down and a new one set up with the Clerk and Chairman given Admin rights to make contributions. The Chairman agreed to set this up.

LH

Councillor Room advised that she had had a meeting about the proposed community orchard. Further information will need to be gathered and Councillor Room agreed to feedback what is necessary before a full discussion can take place. The Chairman suggested that the Annual Parish Meeting in May might be an ideal platform for a public discussion. This will give time for a proper business plan to be drawn up and submitted to the Council.

TR

Councillor Duffy and Councillor Armstrong attended a meeting organised by the NFU on the subject of flooding. It became clear from the meeting that farmers would like to streamline the system for clearing ditches so that much of the need for unnecessary paperwork is withdrawn. This could allow for more local co-operation. Councillor Duffy further confirmed that she had spoken to Mark Woods at M&M Wood of Westow who may be willing to donate a small petrol pump to be held in the community. Elvington Plant Hire have also been approached and although their equipment is hired out on a first come, first served basis it is comforting to know that the equipment is close to hand should we need it.

No further suggestions were made with regard to an application for funding to the Local Support Fund at this stage.

The Clerk advised that she will need to chase for quotes for work to the War Memorial.

The Clerk reported that she had been approached with regard to the provision of a memorial tree. Councillors agreed

the Clerk was asked to seek confirmation of the proposed tree to be planted. A discreet plaque could also be placed at the site.

The Clerk notified the Council of a response from East Yorkshire Motor Services, following a query about the All York Bus Ticket. The Clerk confirmed that All York Tickets can be bought in Wilberfoss provided they are purchased in conjunction with a return ticket to Kexby. This information will be included in the News in Brief report for the village newsletter.

9 *Councillors Reports and items for future Agendas:*

TR

Councillor Smith reminded Councillors of the dog foul which is hanging in the hedgerow on Storking Lane. The Clerk confirmed that she has contacted ERYC Dog Wardens and the bags will be removed.

The Chairman asked for correspondence relating to the provision of a defibrillator to be added to next month's agenda.

Discussions regarding the proposed community orchard and flooding issues will be rolled over on a monthly basis.

The Clerk had been approached by a resident about the installation of 'Slow Down' signage, similar to that used on the A1079 in Kexby. The Clerk was make initial enquiries and a discussion will take place at February's meeting.

10 **Finance**

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

Chq No 1245	Purchase of a storage shed	£129.95
Chq No 1246	Wilberfoss Community Centre (Hire Charges)	£36.00
Chq No 1247	Zurich Municipal (Annual Insurance)	£243.80
Chq No 1248	Acer Garden Services	£373.00
Chq No 1249	Litter Picker	Confidential
Chq No 1250	Post Office Limited	Confidential
Chq No 1251	Acer Garden Services	£373.00
Chq No 1252	Litter Picker	Confidential
Chq No 1253	Post Office Limited	Confidential

A discussion took place regarding an increase in the Clerk's work from home pay to the Government's recommended weekly allowance of £4 (£18 a month). The Council was in agreement to the increase from 1st January 2014.

The Council discussed the budget for 2014-2015 in order to set the Annual Precept. Agreement was reached to set the Precept at £16,000, in line with last year's Precept.

11 *Administration Matters*

An updated Model Code of Conduct has been supplied to all Councillors.

Meeting closed at 20.42

..... Lesley Hoyer (Chairman)

..... S M Wills (Clerk)