

KIRBY HILL AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

(incorporating Kirby Hill, Milby, Thornton Bridge, Humberton & Ellenthorpe parishes)

MINUTES of the parish council meeting held at 7.00pm 8 November 2021, in the Coronation Hall, Milby (Notice having been given).

PRESENT: Cllrs Lawson (Chairman), Helliwell, Hick, Jones, Lister, Merson, Smailes, Widdows, Wilkinson, and Martin Rae, parish clerk.

1. APOLOGIES for absence DCllr Brown

2. CODE OF CONDUCT/DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS: none

3. Minutes of 13 September meeting, having been distributed previously, were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Lister, seconded by Cllr Helliwell. Duly signed by chairman. **Matters arising** – none

4. FINANCE

The Clerk reported:

- a) Balance at 8 November 2021 **£11,509.34**
- b) **REC'D £3,650** HBC 2nd precept instalment
- c) **REC'D £49.38** NE Wayleave
- d) **PAID £97.38** HMRC PAYE (Jul/Aug/Sept)
- e) **PAID £27.80** HBC Trade waste bin 4x emptying (Aug/Sept)
- f) **TO PAY £385.00** AA Foster Grass cutting 2nd half yr - PAYMENT AGREED
- g) **TO PAY £13.90** HBC Trade waste 2x emptying (Oct) – PAYMENT AGREED
- h) Invoices awaited from AR Morrison for grass cutting circa £600.00 (Milby Island and Church Lane)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

a. **HBC** – request for budget/precept calculations for 2022/23

The clerk had distributed a document to councillors prior to the meeting outlining the budget requirements for 2022/23. He had put two options:- a) for a precept of £2k on the basis of grant funding being available for VAS signage (see7d. below) or b) for a precept of £5k on the basis of grant funding not being available. In addition to securing an annual reserve surplus of c.£3.5k the precept options would enable spending of c.£2k. on a new wall-mounted noticeboard and a defibrillator. It was proposed by Cllr Merson seconded by Cllr Lister that the clerk should submit the precept request to HBC on the basis of whichever of the two options became necessary, dependent on the availability of grant funding. This was agreed by the whole council.

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6. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS & MEETINGS

- a) **NYCC**– No report from NYCCllr Windass
- b) **HBC** – No report from DCllr Brown who had presented his apologies.
- c) **JPC** – No further meeting had taken place
- d) **Safer Neighbourhoods Group** – Minutes of the meeting held on 30 September, at which Cllr Wilkinson represented the parish council in Cllr Helliwell's place, had been distributed to all councillors. No actions necessary.

7. ONGOING AND OTHER MATTERS – UPDATES

- a) **Noticeboards** Cllr Wilkinson had removed the noticeboard from the village green and planned to remove the metal post in the next few days. The clerk had identified two possible candidates for replacing the wall-mounted noticeboard at the Coronation Hall, both in the region of £1000. Cllr Merson proposed that the clerk should be permitted to spend up to £1000 on whichever noticeboard he felt most suitable. Seconded by Cllr Widdows and agreed by the council.

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- b) **VAS signage – Leeming Lane** Following the council's agreement at the last meeting to reconsider the purchase of the VAS system for which quotes from TWM and SWARCO had been received the clerk had discussed the matter with Langthorpe Parish councillor Brian Horner again and had asked TWM to quote for three units, two being for Langthorpe and one for Kirby Hill. The price remained the same at £3,600+VAT per unit, with no ongoing costs for five years. SWARCO's price had been lower but their solar powered system was not recommended by NYCC. A third company,

Evolis, had produced the lowest quote but their system would not be supported by NYCC. It was agreed to proceed with the TWM quote, only dependent on Langthorpe PC's decision to do the same. The decision was not dependent on the success or otherwise of achieving some grant funding, which the clerk would discuss with NYCCllr Windass. The clerk would also contact NYCC's Darren Griffiths to confirm the decision and request the involvement of NYCC Highways, who would need to provide the pole. **ACTION CLERK**

- c) Helperby Road speeding issue** The clerk had asked NYCCllr Windass to raise this matter at one of the Thursday morning sessions being held by Area 6 Highways. A particular request was to have the 30mph sign moved farther north from the Milby Grange entrance to the Milby junction.
- d) Footpath Milby Grange to Church Lane** The clerk was asked to contact Miller Homes and Newby Hall estate to ascertain the current position regarding this proposed footpath and also NYCC Highways about the possibility of having 'No Footway' red triangle signs. These would be placed at either end of the section of Moor Lane now popular with pedestrians incorporating it in their riverside walks as a circular route back to Boroughbridge. The amount of local concern about the dangers of walking on this stretch of road had prompted Cllr Merson to instal temporary warning notices for walkers. **ACTION CLERK**
- e) Defibrillator** Councillors voted by a majority, with one voice of dissent, in favour of acquiring a defibrillator, possibly to be located at the Blue Bell. This reversed an earlier decision by the council. The clerk was asked to pursue the matter and discuss possibilities with the Blue Bell landlord. Provision would be made in the budget/precept calculation for 2022/23 (see above).
- f) Village green trees maintenance** Cllr Wilkinson volunteered to cut back the growth at the base of the eight lime trees
- g) Advertising banners at roundabouts** Cllr Helliwell had raised local concerns about the proliferation of advertising banners at the Grantham Arms and A168 roundabouts. The clerk was asked to contact NYCC Highways to check whether these had received permission. The clerk referred to the national guidelines on outside advertising, which clearly indicated that such roadside signs would generally only receive highways permission if they were for local charitable purposes, usually for a specific event, not for commercial purposes. **ACTION CLERK**

8. PLANNING

- a) 21/00383/PR15** Langby Lodge Leeming Lane Langthorpe YO51 9BW
Planning Enforcement – potential change of use. *PENDING*
- b) 21/00314/BRPC15 11 Milby Gardens**, Hockley Croft PLANNING ENFORCEMENT ORDER
Incorrect positioning of boundary fencing. *PENDING*
- c) 21/03571/DVCON Thornton Manor Farm Thornton Bridge**
Application for variation of conditions 2,8,12 & 14 of permission 12/03931/DVCON
Amended design details and to allow details to be submitted after works commenced.
PENDING
- d) 21/03404/FUL Broomfield Farm Thornton Bridge**
Proposed upgrade of road Burton Cottages to Broomfield Farm – to engineered access track.
PENDING
- e) 21/03755/FUL Thornton Manor, Thornton Bridge**
Proposed conversion of existing garage/ alterations/ extensions to existing dwelling, including oak-framed garage. *Parish Council agreed to submit 'no objections'*
- f) 21/04526/FUL 11 St John's Walk Kirby Hill**
Erection of first floor side extension. *Parish Council agreed to submit 'no objections'*
- g) 21/04614/DVCON Humberton Grange, Humberton**
Variation of condition to allow reduced scope of works and revisions to elevations of planning permission 20/04191/FUL – ground floor extensions to dwelling additional to alterations previously approved in planning ref. 20/00711/FUL. *Parish Council agreed to submit 'no objections'*

NEXT MEETING 17 January 2022 (at 7.00pm Coronation Hall Meeting Room)

Meeting ended at 8.00pm

Signed.....Date.....