

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 13 March 2023, in the Coronation Hall, Milby (Notice having been given).

PRESENT: Cllrs Lawson (Chairman), Dunderdale, Helliwell, Lister, Wass, Widdows, County Cllr Brown and Martin Rae, parish clerk. Laura Angus, Chair of Kirby Hill School Governors attended for item 7a

1. APOLOGIES for absence Cllrs Merson and Wilkinson

2. CODE OF CONDUCT/DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:

3. Minutes of 16 January 2023 meeting, having been distributed previously, were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Helliwell seconded by Cllr Widdows. Duly signed by chairman. No matters arising.

Item 7a. was taken at this point see below.

4. FINANCE

The Clerk reported:

- a) Balance at 13 March 2023 **£5,676.17**
- b) **PAID £16.00** Bank charges (Dec/Jan)
- c) **PAID £999.00** Yorks Ambulance (defibrillator)
- d) **PAID £160.00** Parish Council Websites
- e) **REC'D £300.00** Langthorpe PC (grass cutting contribution – Milby Island)
- f) **REC'D £1,326.91** VAT Refund (1/1/21 to 30/11/22)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Boroughbridge Town Council – letter thanking parish council for support for Boroughbridge Banking Hub campaign.
- b) NYCC – Parish Councils ‘communication pack’ on new council arrangements. The clerk had forwarded this to Cllrs.
- c) NYCC – Grass cutting on highways. Council offered to fund parish council £245 for cutting grass verges. Otherwise NYCC would do it 5x a year on all visibility sight-lines. The parish council had never chosen this option and in not responding to the letter defaulted to the usual position in which NYCC would undertake the cutting. The clerk was asked to obtain clarification on the scheduling of the 5 cuts.

ACTION CLERK

6. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS & MEETINGS

- a) **NYCC** County Cllr Brown reported on the work in progress on the transition to a unitary council. Six planning committees are proposed, (one for each parliamentary constituency area). Kirby Hill & Dist PC will come under the planning committee of Ripon and Skipton under the chairmanship of Nathan Hull. Cllr Brown will himself be a member of that committee which will necessitate his resignation from The Kirby Hill RAMS.

Cllr Brown reported that the meeting with Yorks Water to discuss unresolved problems of sewage in the streets and discharges into the river would take place on 6 April 3.00pm (venue t.b.a). The parish council agreed to send a representative, as had Langthorpe PC

ACTION CLERK

As far as future meetings with parish councils were concerned Cllr Brown proposed to attend two different council meetings each month if possible.

- b) **JPC** nothing to report. Next meeting 23 March.
- c) **Safer Neighbourhoods Group** Next meeting planned for 24 March.
- d) **Commuted Sums** The clerk reported that he had contacted HBC Commuted Sums Dept. to ask if some of the £61k. available for spending on Milby Island could be used to form a harder surface on the new permissive path that Newby estate had created between the Milby Grange development and Tinkler Lane in Milby. He had also asked whether the £175 still available from the development at 5 Manor Drive could be used for the planting of a new tree in the verge at Tinkler Lane to replace a dying cherry tree. Cllrs were in agreement with these proposals.

7. ONGOING AND OTHER MATTERS – UPDATES

a) Parking outside Kirby Hill School Cllrs heard from Laura Angus, Chairman of the school governors, about measures taken or considered so far to reduce the problems caused by inconsiderate parking at drop off and pick up times. These had included repeated written requests to parents, agreement with the Blue Bell for use of its car park, consideration of 20mph limit etc. She had also requested, so far in vain, action from NYCC's 95Alive programme concerning the speeding through the village, even more dangerous during the congested school drop-off and pick up times. Cllrs considered other options such as the creation of parking areas in adjacent fields, on the church 'triangle' and traffic calming measures. Cllr Brown said he had not been made aware of this problem before and was happy to contribute to a solution through engagement with NYCC Highways Area 6. It was agreed that the parish council chairman should work with Laura Angus on putting together a scheme that could be put to the rest of the parish council and to Cllr Brown who could then discuss it with Melissa Burnham at Area 6 if there were highways implications.

ACTION CHAIRMAN

b) Defibrillator The clerk reported that the equipment was now at the Blue Bell awaiting installation by Seldon Electricians. After installation the clerk will register the defibrillator with the details of the two guardians (Cllrs Helliwell and Wilkinson).

ACTION CLERK

c) Footpaths/waste bins The clerk reported on the new permissive footpath recently created by Newby Hall Estate running through the fields parallel with Moor Lane from Milby Grange to Tinkler Lane in Milby. He had also arranged for a dog waste bin to be provided at the Tinkler Lane end of the footpath. This should be in place by the end of April.

d) Coronation Litter Pick 22 April The clerk reported on the proposed Litter Pick Day on 22 April. This would be advertised shortly and would be organised by Kirby Hill and District and Langthorpe parish councils. It is intended to cover Leeming Lane from the Langthorpe picnic area to the A168 roundabout. Local resident Clare Slator, who proposed the litter pick, will be the principal co-ordinator on the day.

8. PLANNING

a) 21/03571/DVCON Thornton Manor Farm Thornton Bridge

Application for Variation of conditions 1,3,4,5 & 6

REFUSED

b) 22/00791/FUL Blue Bell Inn, Leeming Lane, Kirby Hill

Demolition of 2 outbuildings. Erection of dwelling house with detached two storey double garage.

PENDING

c) 23/00044/FUL 1 & 2 Broomfield Farm Cottages, Thornton Bridge YO61 2SA

Side/rear extension to existing dwellings with two rooflights

The parish council had submitted 'no objections'

GRANTED

The Chairman announced that, due to personal circumstances, he proposed to stand down as chairman and councillor at the Annual Meeting on 15 May

Meeting ended 8.10pm

NEXT MEETING 15 May 2023 (Annual Meeting)

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