

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 11 September 2023, in the Coronation Hall, Milby (Notice having been given).

PRESENT: Cllrs Dunderdale (Chairman), Helliwell, Lister, Merson, Wass, Widdows, Wilkinson, NYCllr Brown until 7.20 and Martin Rae (parish clerk).

1. APOLOGIES for absence none

2. CODE OF CONDUCT/DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS: Cllr Wilkinson 8b,8c.

3. Minutes of 17 July 2023 annual meeting, having been distributed previously, were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Helliwell, seconded by Cllr Lister. Duly signed by chairman. Matters arising: none. (item 6a taken at this point to allow Cllr Brown to leave for another meeting.- see below)

4. FINANCE

The Clerk reported:

- a) Balance at 17 July 2023 **£5,822.76**
- b) **PAID £16.00** Bank charges Jun/Jul)
- c) **PAID £97.38** HMRC PAYE (Apr/May/Jun)
- d) **PAID £240.00** Farm & land grass cutting
- e) **AGREED** – Donations of **£50.00** each to Royal British Legion and Beyond the Pews
(The Chairman volunteered to again lay the wreath on Remembrance Sunday)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Letter from Cllr Brown with proposal for Parish Council Forum Meetings. The clerk had copied this to councillors and had replied to Cllr Brown, confirming acceptance and proposing Coronation Hall as the venue for all meetings (every two months). The clerk had also passed on councillors' view that one representative attending from the parish council should be sufficient and could be arranged on a rota basis. See also 6a below.
- b) NYC New approach to managing speed limits. The clerk had produced a short resume of the report to the NYC Executive (Review of 20mph speed limit and zone policy) and distributed it to councillors in advance of the meeting. He had previously distributed the whole report. Cllr Brown stressed that the planned speed limit review would be undertaken over several years and that an early emphasis would be on areas close to schools. He confirmed that local councils would be involved. In the meantime they could still request their own speed limit reviews.
- c) Email from local resident Clare Slator suggesting another parish council 'litter pick' in November and raising concerns about dog poo bags at Hockley Croft and Evesham Place. Councillors recalled Clare's active role in organising the successful litter pick, jointly with Langthorpe, in April and supported the idea of a litter pick becoming a regular calendar event. They considered, however, that the best time would be before the vegetation grows, perhaps during early spring, and suggested that March 2024 would be the best time to undertake another group litter pick. This would also give more time to advertise the event and recruit volunteers. Regarding dog poo bags councillors considered that the Hockley Croft and Evesham Place grounds maintenance companies could take responsibility for providing bins on the respective developments.

6. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS & MEETINGS

- a) NYC Cllr Brown anticipated two important meetings in the coming days. Firstly the Planning Committee at Northallerton on the Applegreen application to amend conditions (MSA) at which he, Gareth Owens of the RAMS and Cllr Dunderdale would be speaking in objection. Secondly the meeting with Yorkshire Water, at which he and Cllr Dunderdale hope to learn more than they did at the April meeting about YW's planned investment in the area. Cllr Brown reported that the recent Area Committee meeting (Skipton and Ripon) had heard that in the past 5 years over 600 incidents of sewage on the streets of towns and villages had been reported. He considered that this aspect of sewage overflows had not received the amount of publicity it deserved, the spotlight being more on rivers and the sea.

Regarding the new NYC approach to managing speed limits (5b above) he welcomed the fact that at last there was agreement to undertake a proper review for all villages.

Referring to item 5a he thanked the parish council for their response to his proposals and for the suggestion of using the Coronation Hall as the venue for all meetings. He awaited responses from some of the other parishes in his district.

Cllr Brown mentioned that he had recently received from Kate Dawson at NYC an update about the distribution of Commuted Sums across the parishes in his division. The clerk reported that he had also received this and had found a number of anomalies and omissions and planned to raise these with Kate Dawson. Cllr Brown suggested a meeting between himself, the clerk, chairman and Cllr Collins of Langthorpe to go through the spreadsheets in the update.

b) JPC Nothing to report. No meeting date yet fixed

c) Safer Neighbourhoods Group Nothing to report. No meeting date yet fixed.

d) Yorkshire Water Meeting arranged for Thursday 14 September between YW, Cllr Brown and Cllr Dunderdale (see 6a above).

7. ONGOING AND OTHER MATTERS – UPDATES

a) Footpaths and ROWs Cllrs Merson had been in touch with Catherine Inman at NYC regarding the possibility of signposting the new permissive path between Milby crossroads and Milby Grange. His concern was that many people miss the entrance to the path and still walk along the busy and dangerous Moor Lane instead. Since this is not a public footpath the parish council would need to pay for the signage and Catherine had quoted £204+VAT per sign but had also promised to send Cllr Merson a couple of 'waymark discs' for attaching to walls/posts etc. Cllr Merson will assess whether these might do instead of signposts. **ACTION CLLR MERSON**

Cllr Helliwell, prior to the meeting, had referred the clerk to four footpaths that he considered were overgrown and in need of attention, one being in Langthorpe parish linking Leeming Lane with Back Lane in Langthorpe. Of the other three, two had been satisfactorily cleared, including the new permissive path from Milby to Milby Grange. The third, which is not an official right of way, being the broad roadside verge alongside the eastern edge of Hockley Croft, is the responsibility of NYC Highways. One factor obstructing this 'path' and causing difficulties in cutting/mowing is the continuing existence of Harron Homes advertising signs.

b) Parish Noticeboards A majority of councillors agreed that there was no need for any more parish noticeboards apart from a new wall-mounted one at Coronation Hall, although there was an inconclusive discussion about whether or not the council should provide a community notice board to replace the one on the village green. The clerk provided information on prices of two different types of aluminium wall-mounted noticeboards, from two different Parish Noticeboard companies. These ranged from £815 for a 6xA4 size board to £1020 for 8xA4 size. Nothing was agreed but Cllr Wass suggested looking at the new timber board in the Rainton bus-stop, made locally by the Jennyruth workshops. **ACTION CLERK**

8. PLANNING

a) 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

b) ZC23/01168/DVCM AJ Land adjacent to A1(M) Kirby Hill YO51 9DP

Variation of conditions 5,13,16 and 17 of planning permission 18/00123/EIAMA J to permit extension in length to proposed MSA junction slip roads and to increase the permissible height of the eastern dumbbell roundabout to between 44.95 and 46.95 metres plus minor amendments to the indicative design of associated infrastructure and landscape works.

Planning Committee meeting 14 September at which Gareth Owens (RAMS) Cllr Brown and Cllr Dunderdale will speak in opposition

c) ZC23/01185/EIAMA J Land adjacent to the A1(M) Kirby Hill YO51 9DP

Resubmission of permitted outline MSA permission (18/00123/EIAMA J) to permit extension in length to proposed MSA junction slip roads and to increase the permissible height of the eastern dumbbell roundabout to between 44.95 and 46.95 metres plus minor amendments to

the indicative design of associated infrastructure and landscape works.

PENDING

d) ZC23/02946/HEDGE Hedgerow removal south of Bridge Cottages, Thornton Bridge YO61 2RH
The parish council had submitted 'no objection'

e) ZC23/03031/FUL Broomfield Farm, Thornton Bridge YO61 2SA. Conversion of agricultural buildings to create 4 residential dwellings including external alterations; formation of parking and associated landscaping.

Parish council to submit 'no objection'

ACTION CLERK

Other business: Cllr Wass had repeatedly reported the failure of the street light on the village green outside Pond House through the appropriate NYC channel but nothing had yet been done. The chairman and the clerk would also chase this up.

ACTION CLLR DUNDERDALE & CLERK

Meeting ended 7.50pm

NEXT MEETING 13 Nov 2023

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