

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Kirby Misperton Parish Council

Wednesday 1st March 2023

The meeting was held at Kirby Misperton Village Hall.

No Members of the Public were present.

Present:

Cllr Peter Winter – Chairman
Cllr Jacqueline Cray – Vice-Chairman
Cllr Helen Brotherton (& Volunteer Clerk)
Cllr Sarah Barker

1. There were no apologies.
2. There were no declarations of interest in items on the Agenda.
3. It was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the following meetings, as a true and correct record:
 - i. KMPC Meeting 25th January 2023 - APPROVED
 - ii. KMPC XO Meeting 8th February 2023 - APPROVED
4. Matters arising.
Ongoing issues from this meeting were all covered elsewhere on the Agenda.
5. War Memorial & Roundabout project
 1. Update on Phase II

Chris Humphries of Spruced Up has been in contact with Andrew regarding assisting with planting and ongoing maintenance requirements, The Council unanimously APPROVED the full go ahead to Andrew Karavics. Andrew will be contacted to confirm plant ordering. The design is planned to give a display from May to September. It may be fairly sparse October, but there is potential for some additional deep buried bulbs. Full Rural Grant of £711.00 has been applied for and approved. Thanks to Cllr Steve Mason and NYC. This is to cover Andrew's fees and plants and Chris's preparatory works. The Clerk needs to submit form back to NYC to gain approval grant for monies – 2 signatures required – Cllr Brotherton and Cllr Winter completed the same. This new grant is now reflected in a re-arranged budget. The Chairman also thanked the Clerk for her efforts. Further advice to be sought on any maintenance – Cllr Cray advised that the planned project was for a planting that should look after itself and natural cycle with little interference.

6. Planning - There are no new Planning Applications to discuss:

Cllr Cray advised that there was a notice to extend licensed hours at the pub. Whilst this is not officially a planning matter, the Council agreed to seek further news on the re-build and refurbishment of the pub opposite Flamingoland

7. Financial Matters

7.2 RFO to share information regarding Bank & Cheque Book Reconciliations and to gain approval & cheque signatures for any payments as required (see list, if applicable).

Current payments and receipts and current bank statements, current budget, revised budget shared with all at the meeting by RFO. Balances all tally. Account still looks too healthy due to erroneous double payment from grant last time. RFO has advised RDC of the mistake and still awaiting Invoice for reconciliation. 2022/23 Budget – very little time left now anyway before end of year. Included rural grant (actual) of which we have received and therefore amount on bottom of budget is yet to pay as not been paid yet but commissioned. £3,379.46 going forward is true total. Against budget £187.39 ahead of turn. Full precept will be received in April rather than split April and October - £2,437.05 as agreed. Including rural grant and roundabout grant gives us £6,527.51 for next financial year bearing in mind noticeboards are yet to pay. General increases to overall draft budget plans. After budget costs, will leave £2,832.63 reserve

Grass mowing for closed Churchyard – Colin from Not Just Mowing has confirmed he is happy to continue. Clerk to request Invoice for the 2023 season.

The project for potential re-wilding of the rear of the church is currently on hold and a one off cutback is required to keep the churchyard tidy. Clerk to ask for quotes from both NJM and SU

The following cheque was APPROVED

- i. Chq # 518 £930.00 – Deposit for Notice Boards

7.3 Training Budget

In current budget - £65 left to spend if anyone wants to do any training before Year End. Spare budget will be added to the 23/24 pot for future training, particularly for new Councillors.

7.4 General 2022/23 Budget review and of the new Budget for 2023/24

Adjustments to the Budget for the forthcoming Financial Year were presented to incorporate both the Council grants. The revisions were APPROVED.

8. Village Matters & Matters requested by Councillors

8.1 KM8 / Third Energy – update from Cllr Cray

Cllr Cray shared the Third Energy email in advance of the meeting. There is still a clear commitment to continue the trials for green energy. Future plans, which may or may not directly include the KM8 well, are for agricultural usage i.e. heating of greenhouses and grain driers and an intriguing Rum distillation project. Cllr Cray is also committed to continue in this liaison role for KMPC

8.2 Local Government Restructure / Parish consultation – update from Cllr Winter.

The change in structure will be effective from 1 April 2023. Ryedale DC going through final motions. RDC report that anything they try to do NYCC are blocking them – preserving the budget for new government. Therefore, RDC unable to spend anything for the remainder of the 2022/23.

Cllr Winter had noticed a email from NYCC referring to a consultation to all Parish Councils sent in January 2023. Clerk advised she has found no record of ever having received this initial correspondence. Clerk has gone through past communications,

emails and junk mail and nothing has come up. Cllr Winter will look into this and, if necessary, make complaint to NYCC and copy in Steve Mason. Concern is if 12 weeks and deadline coming up soon, will we have time to make any representations? NYCC much more remote to RDC and fear very little power. Concern we need to review this ASAP and potentially any XO meetings to review any paperwork/representations. Cllr Winter to follow up.

8.3 YLCA – update from Cllr Brotherton – no update.

8.4 NYCC Highways & Pavements – Clerk to update Council

Cllr Barker updated that the cemetery path has been cutback and cleared. The Clerk had contacted MP Kevin Hollinrake which may have triggered some action. The Clerk has a meeting scheduled for 10.30 Tuesday 18th April 2023 at the site with a Highways Manager, Jonathan Dickens, to discuss what the grading is as to the state of disrepair of the footpath so we can see why it does not meet 'the test'. Re flood – drainage, re-curbings and so on – NYCC Highways have advised this would be a four-figure costing and we would be low priority.

Noted that the Salt Grit Bin on the Little Barugh road has been re-sited, as requested to Highways, to be closer to the outlet of the underground stream at the entrance to the Ashfield caravan site.

8.5 Other Village matters

8.5.1 Village Noticeboard repair / renewal

New Village notice boards - 50% deposit paid. Delivery end of March when final payment due. The Duck Farm cottage owners actually own the fence. Cllr Brotherton agreed to contact the owners to consult and advise about the situation with new notice boards

Request from Flamingo Land Residents for a separate noticeboard on the site so they can be included in the village events - this would be a noticeboard in Flamingoland, where notices on the village board would be placed to keep them apprised of local updates. They have asked if we could approach Gordon Gibb to discuss this and suggest if this is split equally between us. The Council need to approach Gordon Gibb first before we obtain a quote and for siting guidance. Cllr Cray, as FL liaison representative, to contact Helen Brown (Gordon Gibb's PA). To be progressed

8.6 Traffic & speeding issues – 20 is Plenty – potential application to NYC via Cllr Steve Mason

Cllr Brotherton confirmed there was a recommendation from Cllr Steve Mason to apply to NYC for '20 is plenty' but no response to how to apply or what to do. He thought we would have a great case but still waiting to hear from him. Cllr Winter could ask Ian Conlin to see if he has any further information and agreed. Cllr Winter to progress.

8.7 Drains & Sewers – need for an up to date & current map / plan for the village from Yorkshire Water – Cllr Winter to update – no update.

8.8 Affordable Housing in the village and surrounding areas – Cllr Cray

This follows Cllr Cray's review of the plan which includes affordable housing for most areas except Kirby Misperton. Cllr Cray had hoped to discuss with Cllr Lindsay Burr – but she isn't responding. Nothing further to add but to keep a review of this in the

future. It was agreed that, in principle, the Council would be open to small developments, particularly affordable housing.

8.9 840 Coastliner bus route under threat

Decision has been postponed until June 2023 due to opposition. It has been kept afloat by subsidised grant and the withdrawal of the subsidy via Central Government leaves the service under threat.

8.10 Co-option of Mark Atkinson to fill the current Councillor vacancy.

Cllr Winter confirmed that Mark Atkinson is indeed keen to offer his services to the Council. Unfortunately, the timing of this meeting meant he could not attend. The formal co-option process will therefore take place at the next meeting.

9. Other Council Matters

9.1 Plans HM King, Charles III's Coronation – May 2023

A Village Hall Committee / KMPC Coronation meeting had taken place before this meeting. Absence and non-response from Gt & Ltl Barugh representatives means that, sadly, we must assume they will not now be participating. It was therefore agreed that both sponsoring parties (VH & KMPC) would increase their respective Budgets by £75 - £100 to cover this shortfall. The final contribution from KMPC will be agreed at the next meeting.

Items proposed for inclusion on the Agenda for the next meeting:

- a. Training – particularly for new Councillors and recommendations to attend YLCA Councillor forums to get a feel for what other Council's face.
- b. Volunteering at Coronation on the Monday & pathway clearance and maintenance
- c. 20th May 2023 Cllr Brotherton proposed Nigel Brotherton to attend with an update on the St Laurence project. Cllr Steve Mason to also be invited to attend to give updates on life in the new NYC.

To note that the date of the next meetings:

19th April 2023

20th May 2023 – Annual Parish Meeting plus Annual meeting of the Parish Council – inc social event with coffee, cake and guest speakers – plans for publicising this event to be discussed

There being no other business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 20h20

Signed: 

CHAIRMAN

Date: 19/4/23