

## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Kirby Misperton**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024 @ 11h00 – KM Village Hall**

### **Present:**

Cllr Geoff Fazackerley - Chairman

Cllr Jacqueline Cray – Vice–Chair

Cllr Sarah Barker – Wyatt

Cllr Mark Atkinson

Cllr Helen Brotherton (and Volunteer Clerk)

### Guest speakers

Jamie Hopwood – Chairman (Pickering Town FC)

Russell Hoare (Third Energy) and Barry Read (CeraPhi)

Other members of the public were present and invited to speak and join discussions once the Chairman opened the floor. The meeting was well-attended with approx. 20 – 25 MOP's.

1. The Chairman opened the Meeting by welcoming and thanking all Councillors for their endeavours in the last year.
2. The Clerk gave a Report on the Council's activities since the last Annual Parish meeting.
  - 2.1 The success of the Coronation event with the Village Hall & Gt & Ltl Barugh and that the surplus at the end meant a charity donation was made to SASH
  - 2.2 The Dog waste challenge and the installation of an additional bin sited on a popular dog-walking route near the VH. It was noted that there remain challenges with NYC and the emptying rota.
  - 2.3 There is an ongoing battle regarding overgrown and inaccessible Public Rights of Way – the Council will continue to pursue this.
  - 2.4 The “20 is Plenty” campaign has finally produced some results and the next stage is to go to Consultation for a 20-mph limit down Main Street
  - 2.5 Progress was made on the very poor footpath between the church and cemetery and after a site visit with Highways, some curbing, re-surfacing and trimming overgrown sides was completed.
  - 2.6 The Council has adopted a Bio-Diversity policy and continues to support the work of the Ryedale Environmental Group
  - 2.7 The Council has continued to accrue reserves and a pot for the next big project, which is the cleaning and restoration of the War Memorial, following the implementation of the new-look planted roundabout. The estimated costs, having received quotes and tenders, would be in the region of £5 – 5.5k. A grant will soon be applied for, which if successful, could achieve 50% of this. Cllr Steve Mason from NYC, in attendance as a Member of the Public, offered to match-fund a further 25%.
  - 2.8 Forthcoming event: the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration of D-Day. This event will take place at the Village Hall from 19h30 with hot supper & refreshments; a pay – bar; a Town Crier proclaiming; Malton Silver Band and the lighting of the commemorative Beacon at 21h15.

### Guest Speakers:

Jamie Hopwood gave an overview of the challenges facing Pickering Town FC and ambitions to develop a new site, at and in partnership with, Flamingo Land. This would specifically address the need for more youth training facilities, for revenue from a bar and events facility at a new stadium etc.

The release of the promotional video about the new Stadium was, he admitted, perhaps unwise and raised a lot of concern about extra traffic, noise etc. The planning process is some way off and there is now a potential need for an All Weather pitch from the FA.

Questions and concerns were raised, particularly about the back of the new stadium stand and facilities sited next to the rear of the Cemetery and whether that was appropriate. Jamie confirmed he would work with the Diocese and any requirement for a stand of trees to block the view and respect the peacefulness of the cemetery for visitors and funerals.

The proposal to include Floodlights also raised concerns and questions. Jamie reassured that new technology LED flood lighting is available, and would allay concerns, targeting directional and lighting accurately.

Cllr Steve Mason advised that ALL of the issues and concerns would be covered and picked up during the planning process.

The question of timeline was raised and whilst initially it had been hoped something could be ready for this forthcoming season, the delays with the FA and funding would mean that the earliest could be January 2025.

### Third Energy & CeraPhi

Russell gave a brief history of the KM8 site and the post-fracking move away from Gas production, which cannot ever come back to upset the situation, as the licences to extract Gas have been revoked. The new Geothermal possibilities and strategy for geo-thermal heating were explained. Opportunities exist for grants to undertake feasibility studies. Current plans include swimming pool heating for Pickering, horticultural / agricultural uses at Gt Habton and for Kirby Misperton, Dewars restaurant. Parts of Flamingo Land, St Laurence's church AND residential homes along the main stretch of the village

The system of ground source heat is in its infancy, but the opportunities are huge: Iceland, for example, is almost entirely heated using this technology. Once the system is set up, unlike current systems where the user pays by the unit and is affected by global price fluctuations, the costs would be for connection then maintenance. Cheaper and more resilient. Barry answered questions from attendees from the FL Residential site and it was agreed, that those who had mains gas connections would be included in the feasibility plans as well.

A question was asked about time frames and goals: where it will be slow is that it is all reliant of public funding but we are looking at the grant process being 2-3 months, since devolution of some funds from Central Government. The aim to start the feasibility work soon after 1<sup>st</sup> August and that, if successful, the whole project could be achievable within just two years. As this is recycling and re-using water already in the ground, the Environmental Agency are not required to be involved.

Russell invited people to sign up to visit the site and, also, to offer their energy bill data as part of the research.

Refreshments were served during both the Guest Speakers presentations and Q & A's.

Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were formally APPROVED

The Chairman closed the meeting at 12h10

Signed: .....

CHAIRMAN

Date:.....