

LEDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE CHEQUERS INN, LEDHAM, WEDNESDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2020

Present: Councillors Audrey Taylor (Chairman), Chris Woodall (Vice-Chairman), Emma Broughton, Wes Holleran, Andrew O’Leary and Paddy Parkes.

In Attendance: Chris Pilkington (Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer) and one member of the public.

20.12 APOLOGIES

Apologies and a reason for absence were received from Cllr Lynda Goodall.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and the reason for absence provided by Cllr Goodall be approved.

20.13 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

(a) TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 31 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT INTERESTS UNDER THE MEMBERS’ CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no interests declared.

(b) TO RECEIVE AND DECIDE UPON REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS TO COUNCILLORS TO TAKE PART IN DISCUSSIONS AND VOTES WHERE THEY HAVE DECLARED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no requests for dispensations.

20.14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No members of the public were present.

20.15 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 29th JANUARY 2020

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 29th January 2020 be approved as an accurate record and signed by the chairman of the meeting.

UPDATE OF ONGOING ISSUES AND CONSIDERATION OF FURTHER ACTION

(a) PROVISION OF A DEFIBRILLATOR

The Clerk reported that the cheque from the Masonic lodge had arrived and been banked and that he would now submit the application for the defibrillator.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

(b) DEVELOPMENT ON SITE ON A63

The Clerk reported that the planning application was still awaiting decision by Selby District Council.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

(c) SPEEDING THROUGH THE VILLAGE

The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting information from Leeds City Council as to when the works and changes would be progressed.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

(d) VE DAY 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS STREET PARTY

Cllr Holleran reported that the Estate was willing to give £500 towards the event if it had an educational theme. Some grant money might also be available from Leeds City Council and the Parish Council money held over from the Remembrance Day event in 2018 could also be used to fund it rather than given to charities. After discussion it was thought that the event should be held on Manor Garth rather than in the Chequers Inn. The road would need to be closed off and a temporary alcohol licence obtained.

RESOLVED: That the event have an educational theme and the grant obtained from the Estate, Leeds City Council approached for a grant, a road closure notice for Manor Garth and a temporary alcohol licence. In addition the money held over from the Remembrance Day event in 2018 would be put towards the event.

(e) QUINQUENNIAL INSPECTION OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH, LEDSHAM

The Chairman reported, in her capacity as Churchwarden, that costings for the repairs had yet to be obtained.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and the matter considered again when costings had been identified by the Church.

(f) PROPOSED MOTORWAY SERVICE AREA AT LUMBY, SOUTH MILFORD

The Clerk reported that the application had yet to be determined by Selby District Council.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

(g) PLANS BY WHELER FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE OF ITS LAND AND PROPERTY

The Clerk reported that the Estate were offering to meet with the Parish Council to discuss its plans.

RESOLVED: That it be suggested to the Estate that they meet with the Parish Council on either Tuesday 10th March or Wednesday 11th March 2020.

(h) PARKING AT END OF NEWFIELD WOOD NEAR TO RSPB FAIRBURN INGS CENTRE

The Clerk reported that due to the recent flooding he had yet to contact the RSPB about the issue.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

20.17 PARISH MATTERS

(a) VILLAGE TIDY UP DAY

RESOLVED: That the next village tidy up day take place on Saturday 28th March 2020 and that Leeds City Council be asked to provide a skip for it.

(b) DATE OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Clerk reported that he would be unable to attend the Parish Meeting if it went ahead on its planned date of 15th April and asked the Council to consider moving the date.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Parish Meeting now be held on Tuesday 14th April 2020 at 7pm.

(c) PLANTING OF TREES IN PARISH

A discussion took place regarding the possibility of planting more trees within the parish. As the major landowner in the parish it was felt that the Estate should be contacted about the matter.

RESOLVED: That the Estate be asked for their views on the possibility of planting more trees within the parish.

20.18

MEETINGS

(a) YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS LEEDS BRANCH MEETING, TUESDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2020, SWILLINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Cllrs Goodall and Taylor reported back on the branch meeting and it was noted that Cllr Goodall had been appointed as a branch representative to the Leeds Bradford Airport Consultative Committee.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

(b) LEEDS CITY COUNCIL OUTER EAST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE, TUESDAY 10th MARCH 2020

RESOLVED: That Cllr Taylor attend the meeting on behalf of the Council.

(c) LEEDS CITY COUNCIL TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL CHARTER LAUNCH, TUESDAY 17th MARCH 2020

RESOLVED: That Cllrs Parkes and Taylor attend the event on behalf of the Council.

20.19

FINANCIAL MATTERS

(a) BANK RECONCILIATION (DATED 1st FEBRUARY 2020) AND EXAMINATION OF BANK STATEMENTS

RESOLVED: That the bank reconciliation and the examination of the bank statements be noted.

(b) EXPENDITURE TO BUDGET DOCUMENT (DATED 21st FEBRUARY 2020)

RESOLVED: That the document be noted.

(c) PAYMENT FOR NOTING

(i) National Association of Local Councils, accreditation for Local Council Award Scheme, £50

RESOLVED: That the payment be noted.

(d) INTERNAL CONTROL CHECKS

The Clerk reported that internal control checks would be carried out after the end of the meeting.

RESOLVED: That this be noted and a report made to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

20.22

CORRESPONDENCE

(a) SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN ISSUES AND OPTIONS CONSULTATION

RESOLVED: That the consultation be noted.

(b) NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS, GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SMALLER AUTHORITIES PRACTITIONERS GUIDE SURVEY

RESOLVED: That the survey be noted.

(c) YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS, YORKSHIRE DAY 1st AUGUST 2020

RESOLVED: That the event be noted.

(d) YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS, TRAINING WEBINARS FEBRUARY 2020 TO MARCH 2020

RESOLVED: That the correspondence be noted.

(e) CORRESPONDENCE FILE

RESOLVED: That the contents of the correspondence file be noted.

20.21

ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the West Yorkshire Police rural crime officer for the area be invited to attend a meeting of the Council and that the issue of dedicated e-mail addresses also be added to the agenda of the next or another meeting of the Council.

20.22 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council take place on Wednesday 25th March 2020 at 7pm at the Chequers Inn, Ledsham.

Chris Pilkington PSLCC
Parish Clerk/RFO to Ledsham Parish Council
29th February 2020