CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD via ZOOM ON THURSDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2021

Present

Councillors: Cllr R Barr, Cllr Barron, Cllr M Broadhead, Cllr E Ellis, Cllr S Eyre, Cllr P Kilner

(Chair), Cllr C Sidebottom, Cllr J Walker, Cllr J Wilson

Clerk: Mrs S M Bashforth Also in attendance:

Barnsley Chronicle reporter Members of the public: One

Prior to the commencement of the meeting a minute silence was held in memory of John Lees, former Member of Cawthorne Parish Council.

Minute No 141 REASON FOR ABSENCE

None

Minute No 142 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS None

Minute No 143 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 7th January 2021 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman. **Resolved**

Minute No 144 PRECEPT NOTIFICATION

It was noted that a request for a precept of £24000 has been sent to BMBC.

Minute No 145 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROJECT

An email had been forwarded by Cllr John Wilson from BMBC Highways saying that proposals have been worked out and are awaiting the preparation of drawings. Unfortunately these had not yet been received by the parish council. When they are, a meeting will be held between Highways, Cllr John Wilson and Cawthorne Parish Council. It was reiterated that the village will be consulted before any action taken.

Minute No 146 CANNON HALL FOOD FESTIVAL

Cllr Barron has been in touch with Cannon Hall Farm and Ghostwriter, the consultants engaged to organise the event. Cllr Barron to be appointed onto the Safety Advisory Group as the parish council's representative.

Minute No 147 VILLAGE SPRUCE UP

Various locations for the planting of trees was suggested. Cllr Barron has not yet managed to make contact with Cannon Hall Estate. A village litter pick is being arranged with Twiggs in spring if covid restrictions allow. A date for the litter pick to be set at the next meeting.

Minute No 148 BUILDINGS FOR LISTED

Cllrs were reminded that there is a list of 23 properties listed as Non-designated Heritage Assets in the Cawthorne Neighbourhood Plan which gives those buildings some protection. However, Listing means that planning permission must be given before any alterations are carried out whereas Non-designation means that consideration only has to be given. Cllr Barron to have a look at the list of non-designated buildings and to take this forward.

Minute No 149 "POP-UP LIBRARY" AT CLIFFE HILL BUS SHELTER

The "pop-up library" that had appeared in the bus shelter at Cliffe Hill had been cleared. There followed complaints on the Cawthorne Facebook page.

After much discussion it was decided that the Pop-up-Library would be reinstated on a temporary measure in the bus shelter with a view to possibly finding a permanent solution later, to be reviewed at the July council meeting

Cllr Sidebottom agreed to oversee the books and the volunteers.

Resolved

Minute No 150 THE CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY BILL

It was resolved that the parish council will support the Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill. The Barnsley Chronicle reporter was asked to report this. The local MP will be informed.

Resolved

Cllr Sidebottom left the meeting

Minute No 151 AMEND FINANCIAL REGUALTIONS

The mandate for the Parish Council's bank account with HSBC has been amended so that only two signatures are required on cheques etc. (as resolved, minute No.196 January 2020).

Financial Regulations now need to be amended as follows

- section 6.4, delete "and countersigned by the Clerk"
- section 6.5 insert after "signatories" "and normally the Clerk"

Resolved

Minute No 152 3RD QUARTER FINANCIAL REVIEW

The 3rd quarter financial review was presented by the Clerk. Cllr Kilner queried "Replace bench at Stanhope Avenue". The Clerk explained that the budget was to replace the bench at Stanhope Avenue but the money had been spent on replacing the bench by the Fountain as that bench had collapsed totally. There were no other questions.

Minute No 153 APPOINT INTERNAL AUDITOR

Mr K Arundel was appointed as the Parish Council's internal auditor for the financial year 2020/21. Resolved

Minute No 154 AMEND BUDGET 2021-22

It was resolved to amend the budget to include expenditure for Zoom at £173. Resolved

Minute No 155 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

The following transactions were approved

The bank reconciliation to end of November has been verified

The bank reconciliation to end of December to be verified

Receipts between last meeting and this

Cemetery £60

Payments between last meeting and this

All payments approved at the last meeting have been paid

Clerk's salary has been paid by SO

Cheques issued, SO and DD between last meeting and this

| Plusnet | DD | Telephone | 31.03 |
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| Pro-Logic | DD | Backup and anti-virus | 7.50 |
| HMRC | DD | NI contribution | 18.73 |

Invoices to be approved for payment

YLCA Training (Clerk, EROB) 22.50

Resolved

Minute No 156 CORRESPONDENCE

All routine correspondence has been dealt with.

- 1. Thank you from the chairman of the village hall for the recent grant.
- 2. Chantry House planning enforcement have been told by the owners that they are repairing the chimney as it was unsafe. Planning enforcement are keeping an eye on this and are satisfied that as long as the stack is repaired and replaced exactly as it was then it would be unreasonable for BMB to take further punitive action.
- 3. Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022, the late May bank holiday is to be moved to 2nd June with an extra bank holiday on Friday 3rd June.
- 4. Penistone Area Team have asked for laptops to be donated for local schools.

- 5. YLCA sent information on changes to a government legislation "Right to Regenerate". NALC is to reply with concerns.
- 6. There is to be a "NHS and Front Line workers Day on 5th July 2021 with a view to making this a permanent yearly event.
- 7. South Yorkshire Community Transport are offering free bus services to vaccination centres for those who find standard public transport difficult.

Minute No 157 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported that

- 1. Fly tipping and littering on Polly Lane and Waggon Way has been reported. Cllrs were reminded that they can report littering etc. themselves via BMBC website.
- 2. The Council Tax base for 2021-22 has been set at 587.01.
- 3. The Council Tax Support Grant for financial year 2021-22 will be passed on to Parish Councils but is not guaranteed for future years.
- 4. Pothole on Church Street reported and has been filled in.
- 5. The Clerk has posted on Cawthorne Facebook page that there is some grant monies available.
- 6. Planning application 2020/1133 has been approved by BMBC
- 7. A request has been sent to BMBC for grit bins at Spencer Croft and outside the Post Office to be added to their schedule.
- 8. The rotted logs on the "pick-up-sticks" play equipment have been replaced under guarantee.

Minute No 158 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Clir Walker reported that there was inconsiderate parking on Tivydale/Taylor Hill. A photo had been sent to Clir Walker by a parishioner showing cars parked bumper to bumper and a bus struggling to get past, dated 30th Jan 2021. Clerk will forward photo to Clir John Wilson. **Clir Wilson** reported that (i) she had attended a useful training for new councillors (ii) there is still a lot of dog poo around the village (iii) the traffic cones in The Park have been removed.

Minute No 159 ANY URGENT BUSINESS

YLCA has sent out a survey asking if Members if they wish for the emergency legislation, which expires in May, which allows town and parish councils to hold meetings remotely to be extended and for the legislation to be extended to include hybrid meetings. The opinions of Cawthorne Councillors is that they would support the legislation (*note, this is Cllrs opinions, not a resolution*).

The Clerk informed councillors that leaflets will need to be distributed for the Neighbourhood Plan due to go to referendum in May. The Post Office was suggested as a distributor.

Minute No 160 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the next meeting be on Thursday 4th March at 7.30pm **Resolved**

There being no further business the Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting.