

CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN, CAWTHORNE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 1st JULY 2021

Present

Councillors: Cllr R Barr, Cllr Barron, Cllr M Broadhead, Cllr S Eyre (Chairman), Cllr P Kilner,
Cllr J Walker, Cllr J Wilson

Clerk: Mrs S M Bashforth

Also in attendance: Barnsley Chronicle reporter

Members of the public: None

As this is the first face-to face meeting since March 2020, prior to the commencement of the meeting the Chairman thanked the Clerk for setting up and hosting, and the councillors for adapting to Zoom meetings.

Cllr Eyre also welcomed Cllr Jane Wilson to her first face to face meeting.

Minute No 31 REASON FOR ABSENCE

A reason for absence was accepted from Cllr Sidebottom.

Resolved

Minute No 32 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None.

Minute No 33 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 6th May 2021 were accepted as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

Resolved

Minute No 34 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The referendum for the Cawthorne Neighbourhood Plan took place on Thursday 10th July 2021. There was a 40% turnout with 403 votes cast, 373 Yes and 30 No. Therefore the Neighbourhood Plan is now an official planning document.

The Clerk has written to each member of the steering group thanking them for their work and time given to produce this Plan.

Minute No 35 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROJECT

Cllrs Eyre, Kilner and Barron met with the highways engineer from BMBC on site to finalise the plans. The revised plans are to be drawn up by BMBC and there is to be a public consultation. The Clerk is to book the Parish Rooms and to check with the highways engineer that he will be available on the suggested date in August.

Minute No 36 FOOTPATH 35

Cllrs Eyre, Barron and Kilner met with BMBC Public Rights of Way officer and the head gardener from Cannon Hall Park at the gate site. It was agreed that a suitable gate and fencing would be supplied by BMBC and that volunteers would erect them. Cllr Barron to ask if football club and cricket club can help.

Cllr Eyre also reported that there are plans by BMBC to make a hard surface on the footpath between Dark Lane and Cliffe Hill and to replace the kissing at the bottom of Cliffe Hill with an accessible gate thus giving access to footpath 35 and Cannon Hall Park and also to erect No Cycling signs on the footpaths.

Minute No 37 "5 ON THE FARM"

Cllr Barron had asked councillors and the public via Facebook to let him know of any potential issues or concerns they have with this event. He had 2 replies, both of which were concerned with potential parking in the village. It was noted that car parking fees are extra to the ticket and has to be booked in advance. There is a worry that people will want to park in the village to avoid parking charges. This to be fed back to the organisers at the next meeting, yet to be announced.

Minute No 38 CAWTHORNE LITTLE LIBRARY

The Little Library in the bus shelter is working well although more children's books are needed and it was noted that the cupboard is too high for children to see in. It was resolved to review the situation in October. **Resolved**

Minute No 39 NEW BENCHES FOR STANHOPE AVENUE AND SCHOOL ENTRANCE

It was resolved to replace the benches at Stanhope Avenue and near the school entrance on Tivydale with benches from Cyan Ltd in the same style as the bench by the Fountain. Several parishioners have complained about the incorrect wording on the Fountain bench, the word Kept has been omitted. This was an administrative error by the Clerk. After much discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact Cyan and ask if the back rest panel can be replaced or, if not, if a new panel with the correct wording can be produced and fastened over the incorrect worded panel, and at what cost. Clerk to report back at August meeting before ordering new benches. **Resolved**

Minute No 40 LITTER BIN ON DARK LANE

It was resolved to vire* some of the budgeted amount for the footpath booklets to purchase a new litter bin for Dark Lane. BMBC have already said that they can supply and fit one for £350. Clerk to ascertain size and to make sure it is not a small one before ordering. (*vire = to shift funds from one budget to another). **Resolved**

Minute No 41 EXTERNAL AUDIT

The Clerk confirmed that the AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return) has been sent to the external auditors PKF Littlejohn LLP and that the Exercise of Public Rights to inspect the accounts has been published as 21st June to 30th July.

Minute No 42 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

The following transactions were approved:

The bank reconciliations to end of April has been verified

Receipts between last meeting and this

Cemetery £66.00

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

			£
Take2Printers	chq	Print Footpath booklet	505.00
Plusnet	DD	Telephone and Broadband	29.58
T & D Contractors	chq	Grass cutting etc. 2020 season	3034.80
Pro-logic	DD	Backup and anti-virus	7.50
MailaDoc	chq	Neighbourhood Plan leaflets	406.90
S Pitt	chq	Plants for trough	20.00
Plusnet	DD	Telephone and Broadband	29.35
Business Stream	DD	Water charges	8.94
Pro-Logic	DD	Backup and anti-virus	7.50

Invoices to be approved for payment

			£
Signs Xtra Ltd		Hanging Basket signs	168.00
Yvonne Brown		Plants for trough	19.08

Minute No 43 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Clerk reported on the decisions by BMBC on planning applications.

Planning responses given by the Clerk under delegated powers

2021/0561 Side and rear extensions and rendering and new roof, 5 Lower Collier Fold.

No objection.

2021/0574 Conversion of agricultural building to dwelling, Elmhirst Farm. Object on highways safety as access is on a bend and also impact on the setting of adjacent Grade II listed buildings.

2020/1354 Alterations to plans; garage footprint and first floor extension, 2 Silkstone Lane. No objection.

2021/0507 Formation of recording studio, control room, kitchen and toilet using part of existing boundary wall and construction of new walls, Manor House, Church Street.

No objection but want reassurance that there will be no excessive noise from the studio.

2021/0772 Rear extension and rendering, 8 Tivydale Close. No objection to extension but object to rendering as no other dwelling in vicinity is rendered; street scene.

Minute No 44 CLERK'S REPORT

1. A parishioner has cleared the ivy, the gutters and painted the fascia the bus shelter on Tivydale. The Clerk wrote and thanked her for doing this.

2. Email sent to BMBC asking for vegetation at Kexborough Bridge to be removed.

3. Letter sent to Chantry House thanking them for replacing chimney as original.

4. At the request of a parishioner, BMBC have been contacted to establish if the grass verge on Church Lane is BMBC's and if so please could they add it to their grass cutting schedule. The grass has since been strimmed.

5. There was a "pop-up police station" on the village green on Wednesday 23rd June and it had been visited by several members of the public.

6. The rotted log stepping 'stone' in The Orchard has been removed.

7. The litter pick was very successful with more people turning up than expected and some had to be turned away due to lack of equipment.

8. The Clerk is once again producing Parish Notes.

Minute No 45 CORRESPONDENCE

All routine correspondence has been dealt with

1. 10/5/2021. Cllr John Wilson reported the Barnsley Road sign to BMBC. BMBC said it will be replaced in 4-6 weeks.

2. In response to the letter sent to Chantry House, they replied saying "We, like the parish council, believe that the conservation of our beautiful village is of the utmost importance and hope that once all the renovation work is complete the house will really be back to its former glory".

3. email from a resident of Darton Road. "There are traffic lights on Darton Road at the moment - no speeding cars, screeching of brakes, mounting the pavement, motorists shouting abuse at each other. Some method of limiting traffic to single file at intervals on Darton Road brings about a massive improvement to the traffic problems residents suffer."

4. The Mayor's Civic Service has been postponed until Wednesday 29 September 2021 due to the delay in easing COVID restrictions. The service will be at the same time, 4pm at St Mary's Church.

5. There is a campaign for the Queen's platinum jubilee, Plant a Tree for the Jubilee.

6. NALC newsletter includes a response by NALC to a call for evidence for remote meetings and also states that there are several archaic rules and regulations which need reforming.

Minute No 46 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr Wilson reported that people are parking in the passing spaces on Dark Lane thus making it difficult for cars to pass each other. *Cllr Barron to talk to cricket club. Suggestion that "No parking, passing point" signs be erected.*

Cllr Walker reported that (i) there is fly tipping near the sewage works *Cllr Walker asked to report this to BMBC* (ii) the verge garden at the school entrance is looking unkempt.

Cllr Barr reported that (i) the Underneath the Stars Festival at Cinderhill Farm in August this year is going ahead and the following week the 13th/18th Hussars are camping there (ii) the vegetation at Kexborough bridge has not been cleared. *Clerk to chase up*

Cllr Barron reported that (i) the grass cutting in the cemetery and church yard looks a mess. *Clerk to contact the contractors* (ii) the tree outside the antique centre is overgrowing the

footpath; who has ownership/responsibility for this tree? *Cllr Walker to have a word with the antique centre* (iii) building work is to commence at 9 Church Street.

Cllr Broadhead reported that (i) dustbins are being left on the highway outside Chantry House and look an eyesore (ii) some parishioners have expressed concern over the establishment of what appears to be a car park in the allotments (for allotment holders) (iii) some of the Playdale equipment in the Orchard is starting to deteriorate and will probably need replacing in a year or two (iv) there is concern that children can and do run down Hollin Lane straight onto Darton Road, recent case noted child running after a ball. Could a gate be installed? *Clerk to contact Public Right of Way to discuss, also to tell them that the shale on the footpath surface is constantly being washed down the path after rainfall.*

Cllr Kilner reported that (i) several parishioners have complained about the incorrect wording on the Fountain Bench (ii) the Norcroft Disaster Memorial committee did not require the grant given for refreshments at the bi-centennial service as people were very generous with donations of tea, cake etc. so the cheque has been returned.

Cllr Eyre reported that (i) there is a lot of overhanging vegetation onto footpaths *Clerk asked to write to households asking for it to be cut back and put article in Parish Notes.*

Minute No 47 ANY URGENT BUSINESS

None.

Minute No 48 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the next meeting be on Thursday 5th August 2021 in the main hall of the village hall at 2pm.

Resolved

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