

CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE MOXON ROOM, CAWTHORNE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2020

Present

Councillors: Cllr R Barr, Cllr Barron, Cllr M Broadhead, Cllr E Ellis, Cllr S Eyre (vice chairman), Cllr J Holliday, Cllr P Kilner (Chairman), Cllr C Sidebottom, Cllr J Walker

Clerk: Mrs S M Bashforth

Internal Auditor: Mr K Arundel

Ward Councillors: none

Members of the public: None

Barnsley Chronicle reporter

Cllr Kilner chaired the meeting

Minute No 203 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

Minute No 204 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cllr Walker declared an interest in item 9, maintenance of the churchyard

Minute No 205 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 2nd January 2020 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved

Minute No 206 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported that

1. she is to attend the SLCC Practitioners Conference later this month
2. Overflowing litter bin on Dark Lane reported to BMBC
3. Letter sent to resident thanking him for use of his electric for the Christmas tree lights
4. email sent to Cannon Hall Parks for People officer asking for No Cycling signs to be erected on the footpaths.
5. email to Savills ref Clay Hall
6. emails to planning enforcement ref 2 Hill Top. Photos taken by residents of vehicles causing problems sent to enforcement over a number of weeks
7. email to PRoW ref holly bushes needing pruning on footpath 19 and also signs and post missing on footpath 35
8. The Peace Garden pots have been replanted at no extra cost.

Minute No 207 CORRESPONDENCE

All routine correspondence has been dealt with

1. Savills are dealing with Clay Hall but it may take some time
2. Planning Enforcement ref 2 Hill Top. Site plan shows parking for construction and visitor vehicles. Agent has passed comments on to everyone concerned and asked to be more considerate with parking.
3. Precept request of £21000 sent to BMBC. BMBC is looking to adopt a new Local Tax Support Scheme for 2020/21.
4. The Ramblers is asking for help to identify footpaths not on the definitive map and get them recorded.

5. Media release - Cannon Hall Park closed for 5 weeks for public safety during work.
6. YLCA Training conference 28th March, Ossett
7. YLCA Sth Yorks. branch meet Sat 8th Feb
8. Conservation Area Appraisal progressing. Extension to area to include the areas suggested at the open meeting in July. Conservation officer hopes to take the draft appraisal and proposed extension to the Planning Board for ratification on 17th March
9. Cannon Hall Park. Trees felled in Cannon Hall Park are diseased, dangerous and shedding limbs. They are aware of the problem with cyclists and signs are on order.
10. Barnsley 2030 workshops to help plan for 2030
11. 5 bar gate at cricket ground; Cannon Hall Parks say it is not theirs. PRoW say it looks as if it is the responsibility of the cricket ground
12. Thank you from the Football Club for the grant
13. A resident suggests cctv cameras at the entrances to the village

Minute No 208 MEMBERS' REPORTS

Cllr Broadhead reported that there is an old fridge at the back of the Spencer's Arms that needs removing.

Cllr Walker reported that (i) there has been another spate of burglaries in the village (ii) the Beware for Horses sign is down on Cawthorne Lane near Clay Hall (iii) The Woodlands Trust will supply trees if any farmer has any suitable land.

Cllr Holliday also reported about the burglaries, one of them being aggravated.

Cllr Barron reported that new reflective posts have been installed at Kexborough Bridge, also asked for an update on the request for the reinstatement of the bus stop on Church St.

Cllr Eyre reported that (i) overgrowing hedges are causing cars to pull to the middle of the road on South Lane (ii) the retaining wall on Tivydale is bulging (iii) a lamppost on Tivydale are being shrouded by tree leaves.

Minute No 209 LITTER PICK

The date of the litter pick was confirmed at Saturday 7th March. Twiggs to assist. It was agreed that flyers be printed to be placed in the Parish Magazine.

Resolved

Minute No 210 FOOTPATH AND BRIDLEWAY GUIDE BOOKLET

It was resolved to have more of the booklet "A Guide to Footpaths and Bridleways in the Parish of Cawthorne" printed. Clerk to see if original printers are still in business and to get some quotes. A Ward Alliance grant may be applied for to cover costs.

Resolved

Minute No 211 MAINTENANCE OF CHURCHYARD

Cllr Walker remained in the room but did not take part in the discussion or vote

Correspondence had been received indicating that the church is not happy with the current arrangements, also that they wish to make improvements to the churchyard and that it would be better to appoint a keen person to carry out the work. Various options were discussed. A parish council having taken over the maintenance of a closed churchyard must maintain the churchyard in decent order (Local Government Act 1972 s215(1)). There is no definition of decent order but the Parish Council consider the current arrangements such that the churchyard is maintained in a decent order. The parish council has no obligation to improve the churchyard.

Local Government Act 1972 s214 allows a local authority to contribute toward the expense of maintaining a burial ground provided by another person where the inhabitants of the parish may be buried. This includes disused (and thereby closed) burial grounds.

It was resolved that it be suggested to the church that they take back control and the parish council gives an annual grant towards the cost of maintenance. This way the church has control over maintenance and the parish council is not obliged to pay for improving the churchyard.

Resolved

Minute No 212 VE DAY EVENTS

Cllr Barron gave an update. The bonfire and fireworks has been cancelled due to health and safety concerns. Next meeting on 18th February.

The Chronicle reporter left the meeting

Minute No 213 HIRE OF GAZEBO POLICY

This was reviewed and considered to be adequate for the council's purposes.

Minute No 214 RISK ASSESSMENTS

These were reviewed and with correction to some dates were considered adequate for the council's purposes.

Minute No 215 3RD QUARTER FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Clerk presented the 3rd quarter financial review. The Council is within budget.

Minute No 216 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

The following transactions were approved
The bank reconciliation was verified by Cllr Walker

Receipts between last meeting and this

Cemetery £60.00

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

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| Plusnet | DD | Telephone and Broadband | 24.08 |
| Pro-logic | DD | Backup and anti-virus | 7.50 |

Invoices to be approved for payment

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| HMRC | NI | | 8.00 |
| Vision ICT | | Website hosting and support | 210.00 |
| YLCA | | New Councillor training x2 | 90.00 |

Minute No 217 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

BMBC NDP officer is writing the recommendation to go to the examiner and is hopeful that in the next 2 weeks they will have a list of 3 examiners from which one is chosen.

Minute No 218 CAWTHORNE VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

It was noted that the supplementary planning document Cawthorne Village Design Statement was approved by BMBC on 28th November 2019.

Minute No 219 ANY URGENT BUSINESS

None

Minute No 220 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the next meeting be on Thursday 5th March 2020

Resolved

Minute No 221 EXCLUDE PUBLIC AND PRESS

None present

Minute No 222 CONTRACT FOR TREE SAFETY INSPECTION

Three quotes were considered. It was resolved to award the contract to AWA Tree Services of Sheffield who quoted £650 + VAT

Resolved

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