

LINTON ON OUSE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council
 held on Tuesday 16th May 2017 at 7.45 pm (after APM)
 in the Village Hall Linton on Ouse

- N° Present**
 Cllr Bramma (Chairman), Cllrs Goddard, Keegan & Kirby, County Cllr. Patmore, District Cllr. Rooke, Lucy Pope (Clerk). No members of the public were in attendance.
- 17-020 Election of Chairman**
 On the proposition of Cllr Kirby seconded by Cllr Keegan, Cllr. Bramma was elected Chairman.
 Cllr Keegan & Cllr Patmore thanked Cllr Bramma for all his work as Chairman in the previous year and for agreeing to continue in this coming year.
- 17-021 Completion of Chairman's Consent to Act forms**
 Cllr Bramma completed Consent to Act form in his capacity as Chairman of the Council.
- 17-022 Completion of Councillors' Consent to Act forms**
 All Councillors attending completed Consent to Act forms.
- 17-023 Election of Vice-Chairman**
 On the proposition of Cllr Bramma seconded by Cllr Kirby , Cllr Goodridge was elected Vice Chairman.
- 17-024 Financial and Personal Interest forms**
 Councillors then completed Financial and Personal Interest Returns for submission to H.D.C. by the Clerk.
- 17-025 Elections of Councillors as Required to Other Organisations**
 Village Hall: Cllr Kirby
- 17-026 Apologies for Absence**
 Cllr Goodridge, M Lumsden.
- 17-027 Councillors' Declaration of Interest**
 None received.
- 17-028 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 11th April 2017, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 17-029 Actions from Previous Meeting**
- 17-010.1: The Clerk wrote to HDC advising them of the Parish Council's comments in respect of the application for construction of 5 new dwellings, 17-00541/REM.
 - 17-011: The Clerk apologised that she is yet to advertise for volunteers to train for Community Speedwatch but will do so asap.
- 17-030 County Councillor's Report**
 County Cllr Patmore reported that she had visited Mr Moorcroft who experienced flooding problems last year: unfortunately NYCC have concluded that it does not need to conduct any further repairs to his driveway having repaired the roadside outside it.
 In the recent local elections North Yorkshire returned 55 Conservative, 10 Independent, 4 Labour and 3 Liberal Democrat councillors. A meeting of the full Council is due to be held tomorrow. NYCC has also re-elected Carl Les as Leader of the Council and Gareth Dadd as vice.
- 17-031 District Councillor's Report**
 District Cllr Rooke reported that HDC has highlighted that wrong items are being put into recycle bins and would be a introducing '4 strikes' policy after which you would no longer get your bin emptied. It has been

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9 months since the planning application for the new Tollerton Surgery; this would hopefully go to planning committee in May 17.

17-032 RAF Liaison Officer's Report

No report received.

17-033 Clerk's Report and Financial Matters

17-033.1 To complete and sign Annual Governance Statement of the Annual Return for 2016/17.

The Annual Governance Statement of the Annual Return for 2016/17 was completed, approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk as Financial Responsible Officer.

17-033.2 To approve and sign the Parish Accounts to 31st March 2017.

The Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer presented the Parish Annual Accounts to 31st March 2017 which were approved by the meeting and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.

17-033.3 To approve and sign the Accounts section of the Annual Return 2016/17.

Council approved the Accounting Statement of the Annual Return 2016/17 prepared and signed previously by the Clerk; this was then signed by the Chairman.

17-033.4 The Clerk gave her verbal general report and advised that she has submitted a claim for repayment of VAT to the value of £277.64. Cllrs Kirby and Goddard have both been added to the bank mandate and have internet banking access and so can now easily routinely dip-sample the bank accounts to ensure

17-033.5 Council recorded receipt of the Precept for the half year to 30th Sept 2017 in the sum of £5,865.00.

17-033.6 Council agreed that James Mackman be appointed as internal auditor for the year to 31st March 2017.

17-033.7 Payment of the following accounts was approved:

- Green Gardens for grass cutting: £55.00
- TSOHOST for website hosting: £5.00
- Gross Salaries April 2017: £479.17

17-034 Planning

17-034.1 Councillors considered the application received from HDC for Extension to front elevation of dwellinghouse to form porch, Village End, Linton, 17-00857/FUL. No particular comments were made and Councillors recommended approval.

17-034.2 HDC Local Plan Alternative Sites & Local Greenspace Consultation (21/04/17-02/06/17): the next phase of consultation regarding the potential development sites identified as part of HDC's preparation of its new Local Plan. There are 2 sites identified within Linton on Ouse: (1) Land Adjacent and to the Rear Of Applegarth Cottages (we actually discussed this application at the last meeting) and (2) Land To West Of Harrison View, Mill Lane. HDC has concluded that the land to the rear of Applegarth Cottages is not a preferred site for development for various reasons; the land to the west of Harrison View is only partly preferred. The purpose of this next phase of consultation is to gain comments about whether the community agrees with HDC's conclusions about each site or not.

17-035.1 Highways

17-035.1 Main Street pothole repairs: the Clerk reported that NYCC Highways Project Engineer Steve Plumpton has updated her that an order has been raised to carry out permanent repairs of the temporary safety repairs on Main Street.

17-035.2 Beech Tree Court sewer issues: The Clerk reported that Yorkshire Water's Area Engineer Michael Denny has updated her on their investigations a number of times in the last month. Yorkshire Water did locate a large bit of broken cast iron pipe which was lodged across the sewer pipe close to the sewage

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treatment plant which they removed. Mr Denny is fairly confident that it will have been this that caused the most recent problems. Yorkshire Water has also been conducting secondary fats, oils and greases investigations; their Network Protection Team is still trying to identify where these are coming from. Yorkshire Water is also aware of surface water infiltration to the foul water sewer which they accept will be contributing to it being overloaded and so further camera and other investigations were conducted early this month to try and identify where this surface water is specifically coming from. Then on 10 May Yorkshire Water spent a whole day on site at the sewage treatment works and conducted some camera investigations as a result of which that one case pipe was severely restricted by substantial scale build up. The scale has been removed and the pipe is running freely now. Mr Denny is fairly certain that it will have been this scaling that has been causing the problems however Yorkshire Water will continue to monitor this area; Yorkshire Water does not routinely monitor every pipe as this would be nigh on impossible resource-wise however once a problem has been identified and repaired they do continue to monitor to ensure that the same problem does not reoccur. Mr Denny has also raised an "office administration" job for a technician to review everything in history and recently to try and determine the source of the problems for definite; this will include identifying what if any connections the RAF base has to the sewers. Yorkshire Water will also continue to monitor the sewer on Main Street.

17-036 Correspondence

The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received:

- Hambleton Area Committee – Vacancies for Co-opted Members. No action required.

17-037 Clerk Position: the Clerk advised that four applications have been received for the position of Clerk / RFO which she circulated to councillors at the start of the month. Councillors now need to consider these applications and shortlist the applicants for interview.

17-038 New Items

17-039 Playing Field & Village Hall

Cllr Bramma commented that there is nothing of significance to report this month. No further suspicious plastic bags have been found in the area.

Cllr Kirby reported that the Post Office has now set up a direct debit for its rent.

17-040 Neighbourhood Watch

17-040.1 Cllr Goddard reported that there has been no further progress to date.

17-041 S.106 Funding

Cllr Keegan presented a report detailing his research into purchasing some Norwegian fir trees. Councillors all agreed with Cllr Keegan's conclusion that this initiative is no longer considered feasible.

Cllr Kirby reported that he has ordered some bike stands at a cost of approx. £100: he will forward the invoice to the Clerk to enable her to seek reimbursement from Linton's S.106 funds held by HDC.

17-042 Minor Matters and Items for Next Agenda.

Minor Matters

Cllr Kirby reported that sadly Dot Lister of The Bungalow passed away yesterday. Her family has asked if the Parish Council would consider having a memorial bench at the front of the Village Hall with a plaque on it in her and her husband's memory. Councillors all agreed that this would be fine.

Cllr Keegan highlighted that he had been approached by a member of the village who has offered to make and erect a flagpole on the Village Hall for nothing. Councillors agreed that this would be fantastic: Cllr Kirby will arrange.

Next Agenda

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Chairman's Closing Remarks

The Chairman highlighted that the recent VE Day celebrations had gone very well and offered his and the Council's thanks to Mrs Kirby in particular as well as all the other helpers, particularly for their washing up skills! The Chairman then thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.20pm

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th June 2017 at 7.15pm.

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