

ARTHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting held 23rd May 2017, at the Village Hall, Arthington Lane.

Present: Cllrs I. Lister (Chairman), D. Fox, F. Mernagh and LCC Cllr B. Flynn.

In attendance: Clerk: Hannah Hay **Members of the Public:** Mr. D. Cooke & Mr. R. Marsden (Mr. P. Weatherill joined the meeting at 19:35 and Mr. J. Garrett joined at 20:15)

Commenced: 19:25

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr. N O'Brien (Vice Chair) and Cllr B Shepherd.

2. DECLARED PECUNIARY & OTHER INTERESTS:

3. RESIDENTS QUESTIONS:

Mr Marsden questioned why his recent planning applications had been rejected by Leeds City Council. Cllr Lister explained that although we comment on applications within the parish, it is LCC who ultimately decide. M Weatherill asked if they could attend the next meeting with revised drawings to discuss proposals before submitting again. The councillors agreed that this was a good idea. The clerk will email to advise both parties of the next meeting date.

ACTION: CLERK

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes from the previous meeting of the council held on 8th March 2017 were read, **APPROVED and signed.** Proposed Cllr Fox, Cllr Lister seconded.

5. MATTERS ARISING:

- Station Road - Cllr Lister reported that work has been completed by 3 residents.
- Maintenance of benches, telephone box and bus shelter - ongoing - awaiting better weather in which to undertake the work.
- Sandbed Lane - on going - Helen Burroughs was waiting for better weather to see if the crops had encroached on the bridlepath again. The councillors also discussed LCC's proposals to remove the BOAT that is in place on the path. The councillors AGREED that there was no object from the parish council with the proposals.

6. SPEEDING ON ARTHINGTON LANE:

- Cllr Flynn reported that speed cables have been laid and speed guns have been deployed to gauge speeding. 30% of traffic at one time were found to be in excess of speed limit. Cllr Flynn advised that Bramhope Parish Council were looking into investing in a mobile SID to which the ward councillors would contribute to, meaning it would be available for APC to use. Cllr Flynn is also looking into solar powered SIDs due to the lack of power supply on parish roads. They are also looking at reducing the 40mph zone between Pool and Arthington back down to 30mph. Ongoing.

ACTION: CLLR FLYNN

7. PLANNING:

16/06616/FU - Grange Farm, Arthington / Detached isolation stable block - no comment - REFUSED

16/06617/FU - Grange Farm Black Hill Road Arthington / Change of use and alterations of barn - we objected - APPROVED

16/07680/FU - Warren House, Arthington / Two storey extension - WITHDRAWN

17/01910/FU - Warren House Warren Lane / 2 storey rear extension and relocation of existing annexe - we commented regarding size of extension exceeding 30% allowance and concern that the annex will change into a separate dwelling altogether - current

17/00292/FU - Kenham, 48 Creskeld Lane / Two storey rear extension - no comment - APPROVED

16/07835/FU - 6 Creskeld Garth / rear extension and detached garden room - we objected on the grounds of not in keeping with the character of this part of the conservation area - APPROVED
17/00866/FU - 9 Creskeld Garth / wall extension with rear balcony inc pitched roof - we raised concerns about privacy of number 7 and that it be in keeping with a property in a conservation area. APPROVED
17/00733/FU - 16 Creskeld Drive / treehouse - we made a neutral comment that the treehouse may had an adverse affect on the amenity of neighbours in relation to noise - APPROVED
17/02214/TR - 16 Creskeld Drive / Tree trimming - no comment - pending
17/01246/FU - Park Cottages, Arthington Lane / 2 storey rear extension and single story side extension - we made a neutral comment with concern that it MAY exceed 30% increase and in keeping with character of area - APPROVED
17/01856/FU - Holt Farm, Arthington Lane / Alterations to window openings, including new windows to first floor; removal of external staircase - We submitted a neutral comment re increasing size of farmhouse garden and parking area - pending
17/01840/TR - 51 Creskeld Lane / Tree trimming - no objection - APPROVED
17/02464/FU - 8 Arthington Garth Arthington / Balcony with balustrade above to rear; alterations and conversion of attached garage to a habitable room - we objected as it doesn't comply with policy HDG2 - pending
17/02216/LI - Creskeld Hall, Creskeld Lane / Internal and external alterations - no objection - pending
17/02213/FU - Creskeld Hall, Creskeld Lane / Alterations to Garden Cottage including first floor window to side - no objection - pending
17/02740/TR - 27 Creskeld Lane / Removing sycamore tree - no objection - pending
17/02312/RM - Land Off Breary Lane East - Deadline for comment is 2nd June. The councillors discussed the proposal plans and various areas of concern. Cllr Fox will finalise wording and send to the Clerk to submit before the deadline.

ACTION: CLLR FOX & CLERK

8. CRICKET CLUB GRANT REQUEST:

The councillors agreed that the parish council would need to know where other funding would come from and also that the small amount we could contribute would not be a lot compared with their request. Cllr Flynn suggested that they contact him and the other ward councillors for advice. Clerk to contact.

ACTION: CLERK

9. PARISH INSPECTION:

As only 3 of the 5 councillors were in attendance, it was decided that the clerk email all councillors to ascertain the best date for everyone.

ACTION: CLERK

10. SPRING CLEAN:

Cllr Lister reported that we had another successful Spring Clean in May and noted that there was not as much rubbish collected as usual. He thanked the Village Hall for providing refreshments.

11. PARISH WEBSITE:

The Clerk reported that the website should be live very soon; training will commence within the next couple of weeks. Cllr Fox reported that other PC websites didn't have photos of councillors included so it was agreed that we would not proceed with ours. Cllr Flynn suggested adding a link to LCC and also offered his contact details for people to contact him directly with any queries.

ACTION: CLERK

12. FINANCE:

The Clerk reported the financial position as follows:-

Arthington Parish Council Financial Summary as at 8th March 2017

Yorkshire Bank current A/c (31/03/2017) £3402.76

Receipts since last meeting included in above –

Nil

Payments since last meeting included in above –

Royal British Legion - Poppy Wreath	£20.00
Clerk's salary	£250.00
Clerk's expenses	£23.70

Cheques to raise not included above -	N J Woodward - Website I Lister - Spring clean expenses Village Hall - Spring Clean refreshments Village Hall Grant - Heating in kitchen	£491.78 £10.00 £18.07 £550.00
Receipts not included in above -	LCC - Precept LCC - Tax Support Grant	£2250 £46.00
Payments not included in above -	Charity Recipient	£14.30

TOTAL at 23rd May = £4614.61

- The clerk asked and obtained APPROVAL for cheques for the website work - N Woodward, Cllr Lister's expenses and the Village Hall for Spring Clean refreshments and the grant. Approval was proposed by Cllr Lister, seconded by Cllr Fox and cheques were signed, apart from the one for Cllr Lister's expenses, to be signed by Cllr Shepherd and Cllr O'Brien at a later date.
- The Clerk asked for and obtained approval for this year's Direct Debits (CPRE, £36, due September 2017).
- The Clerk asked for a volunteer to review the standing orders in time for the next meeting and Cllr Lister agreed to.

ACTION: CLLR LISTER

13. CLERK'S REPORT:

- The Clerk thanked Cllr Flynn for arranging for a resident's fence to be fixed so quickly after council grass cutting; the resident was very impressed and thankful.
- The Clerk suggested that the next newsletter be ready for distribution around October time and ask for suggestions of content. Ongoing.
- Cllr Flynn suggested including asking residents to contact him if any areas need more attention regarding leaf clearing at that time of the year.

14. A.O.B.

- Cllr Mernagh was unable to attend the Outer North West Parish & Town Councils Forum due to ill-health so Cllr Flynn offered to obtain a report on our behalf.

ACTION: CLLR FLYNN

- Mr. Cooke reported that the Village Hall had had heating installed in the kitchen and asked the Parish Council for a grant toward the works. The Councillors agreed to award £550 to the Village Hall. A cheque was approved and signed.
- Cllr Lister reported that the notice board at the top of Warren Lane that had been knocked down during maintenance by Northern Power Grid had now been reinstated.

15. DATES OF NEXT MEETING:

It was DECIDED to hold the next meeting on Wednesday 12th July 2017.

Cllr Mernagh apologised as she will be unable to attend July's meeting.

The meeting closed at 21:15

Approved..... Date.....