

ARTHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting held on 3 May 2022 at Arthington Village Hall

Present: Cllr I. Lister - Chairman (IL), Cllr. N. O'Brien - Vice Chair (NO'B) & Cllrs. D. Fox (DF).

Apologies for absence: D. Stoddart-Scott (DSS) & Hugh Robinson (HR)

In attendance: -

Member of the Public: -

Clerk: Hannah Hay (HH)

The meeting started at 19:23

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received and were accepted from DSS and HR. It was confirmed that the meeting was quorate.

2. Declaration of pecuniary and other interests

None.

3. Police Report

In the absence of a police representative, the clerk reported that recent crime updates forwarded from LCC Cllr Flynn show no recent criminal activity for the Arthington Parish.

4. Resident's Questions

None.

5. Minutes of previous meeting held on 15 March 2022

The minutes from the previous meeting of the council held on 15 March 2022 were previously circulated to councillors via email. DF proposed them as an accurate reflection of events, N'OB seconded and the minutes were **APPROVED** unanimously. IL signed a hardcopy for PC records.

6. Ongoing Issues / Matters Arising

- Jubilee Trees - The clerk reported that DSS had advised via email in advance of the meeting that approximately 20 saplings would be planted in the Creskeld Estate but would likely not be on the verge by the roadside. The meeting was reminded that the PC are to look at planting again towards the end of the year
- Wharfedale Pub - *ongoing* - NO'B reported that work on the roof and internally had begun however no formal update had been received from the pub owner

7. Properties Report

- Bus shelter - *ongoing* - IL reported that the roof had been sealed and the inside had now been partly painted. It was hoped that the works would soon be complete.
- Telephone box - *ongoing* - IL reported that 3 panes had been broken by a local teenager and initial quotes for the repair was approximately £30. The father of the teenager had said he would pay for the repairs. TBC. IL advised that renovation would also need to include painting
- Village hall bench maintenance - *ongoing*. IL recognised the difficulties with staining the bench and how an even finish is not easy to achieve. It was suggested that the bench be allowed to age and weathered; councillors agreed to monitor the bench to assess
- Bridge bench - IL advised that this bench would need maintenance and volunteered to begin works in better weather. *Ongoing*.

- Councillors briefly discussed again obtaining a bin for the foot of Black Hill Road near the new bench. No decisions were made. Situation to be monitored and to be reassessed in Autumn.

8. SIDs - New Device & Data

In the absence of DSS, no SID data could be reported. To be deferred until the next meeting.

The clerk reported that an application form had been received in which to apply for a new speed indicator device, and the PC had been quoted £3,500 for the works from LCC. Clerk to complete and return grant application.

ACTION: CLERK

9. Spring Clean Report

IL reported that the annual Spring Clean went ahead on 23 April 2022 and was well attended with approximately 20 volunteers. It was noted that fallen and damaged road signs were collected and a lot of rubbish had been collected. The consensus was that the village was not too littered which was praised. The poor road condition at the end of Warren Lane was highlighted. The significant tree felling down Warren Lane on the Railway's land was acknowledged.

10. Planning & Enforcement

The Clerk shared the below update on planning applications:

21/08943/TR - 1 Creskeld Park - We objected - *Decision pending*
 21/08941/TR - 9 Creskeld Park - No objection but we commented - *Decision pending*
 22/01075/LI - Crag View - No comment - *Pending*
 22/01653/FU/NW - 39 Creskeld Lane - No comment - *Pending*
 21/10128/FU - 51 Breary Lane East APPEAL - Comments as before - *REFUSED*
 22/02756/FU - Warren House, Warren Lane - *to be discussed* - *Pending*

Councillors discussed the latter two applications and decided the following:

- 21/10128/FU - Councillors agreed that previously submitted comments for 51 Breary Lane East still stood, and decided to reiterate to LCC via the portal.
- 22/02756/FU - Councillors briefly discussed the application submitted for Warren House and had no objections. It was agreed to not comment on this application.

ACTION: CLERK

The planning application for the lake at Arthington House was raised and questioned if it had yet been progressed and received but it had not. Ongoing.

11. Finance

The statement of accounts was shared and held the most up to date financial information.

Councillors were reminded that the current balance of the PC with Virgin Money was **£5,402.77**

Councillors were advised that the PC cheque book remains with the internal auditor so cheques could not be raised for the following expenses:

- Approval was sought and granted for the IL's expenses for the bus shelter paint, totalling £33.57 - it was noted that this exceeded the previously approved £30 thresholds. Councillors approved the overspend.
- Approval was sought and granted for the village hall's Spring Clean refreshments, which totalled £31.02.

Cheques to be signed at July's meeting.

ACTION: NEXT MEETING

- The clerk reported that after liaising with Kathryn Moran at LCC, no Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) money would be received from the self-build properties at 51 and 49 Breary Lane East respectively.
- The clerk advised that the annual website hosting subscription had been paid through Clerk's expenses; reimbursement would be sought under clerk's 1st quarter expenses during July 2022's meeting. The cost of the annual website hosting had not changed and remained £36.

ACTION: NEXT MEETING

12. Clerk's Report

The clerk had nothing to report.

13. Items for Report

- NO'B reported that Margaret Kent of Warren Lane will be turning 100 years old in Autumn 2022. It was thought that an article could be placed in the Autumn newsletter
- NO'B reported that following a request to LCC, tarmac works had been carried out by the railway bridge on Arthington Lane and the pavement, as well as on Station Road to patch up potholes
- Councillors discussed a recent Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) request for double yellow lines in Arthington Garth, a road in Pool Parish and Warren Lane. It was noted that long timescales were expected with such requests and processes, but there had been no progress to date

14. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next PC meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 5th July 2022, to start at the usual time of 7.30pm

Councillors were advised that should there be a need to hold an extraordinary Annual Meeting to approve and sign off the accounts, the clerk would communicate via email. Otherwise, if deadlines allow, all approvals will be carried out on 5 July 2022.

The meeting ended at 20:30

Approved & Signed:..... Date:.....