

Bainbridge Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th September 2024

Present:

Parish Cllrs: James Peacock(Chair); Darren Percival (Vice-Chair); Samantha Parfitt; Miriam Cloughton.

Cllr. Thomas Tennant was unable to attend.

Apologies: NY Cllr. Yvonne Peacock .

Parish Clerk: Mrs Kate Kelly, also Responsible Financial Officer.

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1.	Chairman reminded everyone present of the right to record the meeting although the Council would not be doing so.
2.	<u>Consideration of Apologies for Absence</u> Cllr. Yvonne Peacock due to another meeting.
3.	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> None
4.	<u>Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 16th July 2024</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 16 th July 2024 had been circulated to all Councillors and posted on the website. Cllr. Parfitt proposed that they be adopted as an accurate record of proceedings and this was seconded by Cllr. Cloughton. The minutes were signed by the Chair.
5	<u>Ongoing Matters</u>
5.1	Village Defibrillator The second defibrillator has now been received and fitted outside the church in Stalling Busk. This was a very neat job and the Council thanked Cllr. Cloughton who had liaised with Steven Teasdale and the Diocese. It is now available for use and is registered on the Circuit. It was resolved that due to poor phone coverage in the Area that the Access Code be left on the Cabinet to enable people to access it quickly. The Council also resolved that the Clerk should write and thank the Diocese for their help in this matter. The Clerk had received a request from a resident that a defibrillator be placed in Marsett instead of the current locations. As this request was received after the public consultation and when the defibrillators had both been fitted at some expense it was resolved to leave them in situ. This matter is now resolved.
5.2	Lawn Mower

	<p>The new system with Jim Paredes cutting the grass is working well and he has submitted a bill which has been paid. As this work was previously undertaken by Brian Brown on a voluntary basis it was resolved that we would look at the total cost of grass cutting this year as part of the process of setting the Precept for next year.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
5.3	<p><u>Street Lighting</u></p> <p>Cllr. Tennant had advised the Clerk that some street lights in Worton were still not working. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact NYC and request that these be repaired before the darker nights of winter.</p>
5.4	<p><u>Benches in Playpark</u></p> <p>The wooden picnic benches were delivered and are being well used.</p> <p>This matter is now resolved.</p>
5.5	<p><u>Stalling Busk Notice Board</u></p> <p>The Clerk had been unable to ascertain where the board in the Cemetery had been purchased. She will search the records to see if we have the details of the supplier of the one in Countersett. She will also contact Gill Harrison to see if she has any contacts for a supplier. Hawes PC has recently been quoted a price for a wooden notice board and the Clerk will look at approaching them for a quote.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
6	<p><u>Planning applications -.</u></p> <p>To consider planning applications.</p> <p>None received.</p>
7	<p><u>Planning decisions –</u></p> <p>To receive decision's or information relating to recent planning applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full planning permission for works comprising: conversion of two existing conjoined agricultural buildings for use for the purposes of gallery/studio for craft, art and cultural events by invitation; erection of two new buildings that contain a workshop, a staff accommodation unit (2 bed) and three short stay visitor accommodation units (each 2 bed); landscaping works, biodiversity enhancements, access alterations and car parking, all in association with the gallery/studio enterprise, (part-retrospective) at Thorns Farm, Marsett Lane, Countersett, DL8 3DE - R/52/243A <p>This matter is noted on the planning portal as under consideration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full planning permission for a proposed sheep shelter at Land off Crag Side Road, Countersett, Bainbridge, Leyburn, DL8 3DD - R/52/251 <p>This application was declined by the planners.</p>
7.1	<p><u>National Parks Local Plan Draft Version 6.</u></p> <p>No further updates received.</p>

8	<p><u>Highways matters</u></p> <p>The following updates were received regarding issues raised at previous meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The drain on the A684 is still blocked outside Cupplesfield. <p>NYC have been dealing with this for about 6 years and have been out and carried out survey work earlier this year.</p> <p>It was decided that due to the likelihood of nothing further being done at this time to note this matter as resolved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of the large topping stones is off the bridge near Semerwater and the highways department had erected a small barrier and the stone had been removed. <p>There has been no further update. It was resolved that Cllr. Cloughton will advise the Parish Council if this is replaced in due course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree Cutting. <p>Cllr. Peacock has applied to NYC for a permit to cut the trees in the interests of road safety in Worton, Cubeck & Raydaleside now that the bird nesting season is over.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents had requested that the lower branches of the maple tree on the green in the crescent be trimmed to prevent them damaging vehicles and this was agreed. <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
9	<p><u>Financial Matters</u></p>
9.1	<p>To approve the following accounts for payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs K Kelly- Clerks salary July 24 - £190.30 • Mrs K Kelly- Clerks salary August 24 - £190.09 • Mr J Banks – Cemetery- Grasscutting- July-£200.00 • Mr J Banks – Cemetery- Grasscutting- August -£200.00 • Mr J Paredes – Grass Cutting - £1188.00pd. • Gayle Mill Trust – Playpark- Picnic Benches - £840.00pd. • Mr J Ogbourne – Annual Fee website host - £275.00 • NYC – Dog waste & Litter Bin at cemetery - £338.40 <p>Added to Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teasdale Electrical -Fitting defib Stalling Busk- £449.05 • Mr D Percival – Cemetery- repairs to wall Section1 -£544.00 • Mr D Percival – Cemetery- repairs to wall Section2 - £331.00
9.2	<p>The following receipts were acknowledged.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VAT Refund - £121.82

<p>9.3</p>	<p>To receive the latest bank balances and sign statements</p> <p>Copies of bank statements to 31st August 2024 were presented and initialled. Current balances were reported as follows:-</p> <p>Unity Bank Account Current Account £11122.79 Unity Bank Deposit Account No1 £10432.53 Unity Bank Deposit Account No 2 £11375.64</p>
<p>9.4</p>	<p>Unity Bank- Update re Internet Banking</p> <p>Cllr. Percival has still not been able to sign into Internet Banking and it was resolved that he and the Clerk would arrange to meet to facilitate this.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p><u>Correspondence</u> The following correspondence has been received.</p>
<p>10.1</p>	<p>Keep Clear Sign Request</p> <p>A parishioner who lives along the lane next to the school had contacted the Clerk to see if it was possible for a keep clear sign to be placed at the entrance to the lane as people park very close to it making it difficult for vehicles to turn in or out of the lane.</p> <p>The Council understood their concerns but felt that there is quite a wide area in front of the lane which can be useful when turning in. The Council were concerned that this could set a precedent and there are too many lanes in the village for signs to be placed at them all.</p> <p>It was therefore resolved not to action this request.</p>
<p>10.2</p>	<p>Bainbridge Christmas Lights</p> <p>An email was received from the Christmas lights committee regarding the beech tree on the village green which has died but has Christmas lights on it. The Council have no plans to remove the tree at this time and we will advise the committee if this changes.</p> <p>The email also stated that some people had put donations in the car parking boxes on the village green over the festive period and wondered if the lights committee could use the boxes in December to collect funds for the lights.</p> <p>After discussion it was decided that we would not be able to separate the funds from those given for parking. The Parish Council use the funds in the boxes to maintain the village green and as the costs for this have risen substantially we need the donations that we get from visitors during the Christmas holiday period.</p> <p>It was therefore resolved that the Clerk will advise them of this decision.</p>
<p>10.3</p>	<p>Bainbridge Post Office</p> <p>An email was received advising that the Post Office in Bainbridge had been closed. This is a great service that is well used particularly by elderly people living in the Area.</p>

	<p>It was resolved that the Clerk should write to the Post Office asking for this service to be resumed as soon as possible.</p> <p>Footnote: It has been noted since the meeting and these minutes being prepared that the Post Office has re-opened. This matter is therefore resolved.</p>
10.4	<p>VE DAY 80 - BEACONS & LAMP LIGHTS OF PEACE - 9.30PM - 8TH MAY 2025</p> <p>An email was received regarding the above.</p> <p>It was resolved that we would take part and this item will be carried forward to the January Agenda for further discussion.</p>
11	<p><u>Children's Play Area</u></p> <p>The latest report from North Yorkshire Council was discussed. Cllr. Peacock noted that some of the items have already been rectified and the Clerk will ask the Inspector to update his records.</p> <p>Cllr. Percival has contacted William Lambert to quote for replacing the wooden seating panels on the bench with the stone surround and he will do so using some of the wood from the sycamore tree which was cut last year.</p>
12	<p><u>King Charles III Coronation</u></p> <p>Cllr. Percival will contact Wm. Lambert to get an update regarding the commemorative Bench which is being made from the sycamore tree that had to removed from the village green.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry this matter forward to the next meeting.</p>
13	<p><u>Cemetery</u></p> <p>A quote for a land survey was received. The quote was £5720.00 plus VAT. The Council felt that this was far too expensive. Cllr. Cloughton had made enquiries and been told that Peter Iveson had done this for the new cemetery in Hawes and it was resolved that she would contact him and obtain a quote.</p> <p>Cllr. Percival has now repaired the damaged wall. The Council thanked him for his work.</p> <p>This matter is now resolved.</p> <p>Karen Prudden, Superintendent for the Cemetery had contacted the Clerk regarding updating the cemetery plan on the sexton's hut. The existing plan is pre-laminated and therefore difficult to amend neatly. It was resolved that if Karen can provide an up to date plan one of the Councillors will laminate it.</p> <p>Karen had also mentioned in her email that a few headstones were slightly wobbly. Cllr.Parfitt will visit the cemetery and check the stones.</p> <p>It was resolved to carry these matters forward to the next meeting.</p>
14	<p><u>Parish Clerk</u></p> <p>A new printer has been ordered.</p> <p>The Clerk will amend the email address.</p>

	The Clerk has received an email regarding the Precept for 25/26. Once the bank statements to end September have been received the Clerk will prepare projections for income & expenditure to be discussed at the November meeting.
15	<u>Police Report</u> The latest reports were discussed.
16	<u>Upper Dales Health Watch</u> Cllr. Cloughton advised that no further updates had been received.
17	<u>Dog waste Bin near Cemetery</u> The new bin for dog waste etc. has been placed where we requested it and the bill paid. This item is now resolved.
18	<u>Agenda Items.</u> No items were raised for inclusion on the Agenda for the next meeting.
19	<u>Date of next meeting.</u> 19th November 2024 at 7.00pm

Signed as a true record.

Dated.