

KIRK HAMMERTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
13TH MARCH 2017 IN KIRK HAMMERTON METHODIST CHAPEL
AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllrs. Paul Townsend (Chair), Jane Jenkins, Karan Main, Chris Eaton and James Talbot. District Cllr. Andrew Paraskos, Amanda Kennerley (clerk), 3 members of the public.

17/12 - To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest (not previously declared) on any matters of business. NONE

17/13 – To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence: Cllr. Colin Lee (work commitments) – **APPROVED.** PC Marie Scott

17/14 – The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th January 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

17/15 – Public Participation (We aim to allow approximately 15 minutes for comments and questions. Standing orders are suspended for this item). Concern was raised re the speed limit on A59 and if possible to reduce from 40mph to 30mph. Further, could a speed restriction be put in place at the crossing at Green Hammerton? Cllr. Paraskos suggested NYCC were unlikely to reduce this limit due unenforceability. The crossing at GH doesn't have residences on both sides of the A59 so existing limit will remain.

A member of the public commented that hedges at various residences along Station Road were encroaching onto the pavement so as to restrict access. The PC agreed to contact the residences involved.

It was also mentioned that the OS field on A59 had been removed from the draft HLDP. Is it possible to submit this for outline planning as a possible revenue stream for the parish? In principle this seemed possible but the Council need to investigate further and land registry would have to be completed. It was agreed to look into this and put on the next agenda.

17/17- To consider a memorial to the victims of the 1943 Halifax DG230 crash in Kirk Hammerton. A quote had been obtained by the clerk of £962.40 to engrave the war memorial with the agreed inscription. The clerk was to look into a grant from the War Memorial Trust as this amount was considerably more than the Commuted Sums available. A suggestion that a plaque either on the church wall or in the church was made,

17/18 – To consider sponsorship of Tockwith Show 2017 – The PC has supported Tockwith Show for many years. Originally the donation helped to pay for the free bus service from the village to the show, but this has now ceased. The PC asked the clerk to contact Tockwith Show to see if sponsorship could benefit local parishioners directly in some way as before, either in addition to or as well as, the children's tent.

17/19 – To consider the formation of a sub-committee of local parishes in readiness for the HBC Draft Local Plan. The PC welcomed support from the neighbouring parishes to this idea but professional advice from previous meetings suggested that such committees are better not being parish council based as they are not bound by the rules of the PC. It was agreed to advertise for volunteers in the newsletter and website. There is a further complication from the new proposal being submitted for a settlement around Cattal station (Maltkiln Village). Potentially, this could delay HBC decision.

17/20 – Planning:

To note decisions made by HBC since the last meeting:

16/04626/OUT Land adjacent to Skipbridge House, York Road Kirk Hammerton YO26 8EQ - Outline application for the erection of two detached dwellings for Mr and Mrs Mellors. **APPROVED** with conditions.

17/21 - Finance

(a) The financial statement was circulated to the councillors prior to the meeting

		Current A/C (£)		Reserve A/C (£)	
	Carried Forward 28.12.16	2998.54		3625.53	
Date	Transaction	IN	OUT	IN	OUT
24.01.17	Village Hall Hire		84.00		
24.01.17	Grass Cutting		454.80		
03.02.17	GM Grant	157.64			
28.02.17	Transparency Fund	309.00			
Nov/Dec/Jan Interest				0.12	
	TOTALS	466.64	538.80		
	BALANCES 28.02.17	2926.38		3625.65	

(b) Approved to pay: Clerks wages and expenses (inc laptop) **£906.62**. HMRC (PAYE) **£15.60**

(c) To note the additional request to the Transparency Fund for a new laptop was approved (£309).

17/22 – Clerk’s Notes:

1. The broken “No Through Road” sign for Mill Lane has been repaired.
2. The Grounds Maintenance Grant will cease in 2018/19 and not 2017/18. £157.64 was received this year.
3. Correspondence on behalf of residents was sent to Nigel Adams MP regarding slow broadband speeds in the village. It has been ascertained that Crooked Lane to the end of the village cannot access the fast broadband according to BT and it has been suggested that the PC could ask future developers to contribute towards access. PC to look into this further with MP and Open Reach.
4. The 2nd defibrillator is now installed at the Village Playing Fields Pavilion.
5. Yorkshire Water assures the PC that replacement of pipes along the A59 is top priority but unfortunately at the present time, there are no funds available.
6. NYCC will pay £470.70 towards grass cutting of urban highway visibility 2017/18

17/23 - Correspondence received and circulated by the Clerk since last meeting:

- a) YLCA White Rose Update Jan 2017
- b) NYCC Countryside Access Service – public consultation
- c) January crime figures
- d) Tour de Yorkshire small grants – forwarded to KHPFA
- e) Volunteers required for National Plant Monitoring Scheme – poster on noticeboard
- f) Boundary Review, Yorkshire and Humberside. Initial proposals published
- g) February crime figures-none in KH reported
- h) NYCC Harrogate Area Committee meeting March 16th 10am
- i) Allerton Waste Recovery Park –Spring newsletter

17/24 - Items for the next agenda: Tockwith Show, OS Field, War Memorial update, Sub Committee update and site of a 3rd defibrillator.

17/25 – The date of the next meeting will be 8th May 2017 immediately following the APM which commences at 7pm.
The meeting finished at 20.44