

# WALKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting Tuesday 5 March 2024, 7:00pm Walkington Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Mrs Swann (Chairman), Howard (Vice-chair), Boanas and Mrs Holdorf. Ward Councillor Mrs Stewart. Four members of the public and Ms Rose (Clerk).

Absent: Councillors Garnham, Hearne and Waterland.

**Public Participation** – A representative from the Pond Committee attended the meeting to discuss item 8c below. A representative from the Bowling Club attended to discuss Club finances.

## **24.03.01 Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Garnham, Hearne and Waterland apologised for being unable to attend.

## **24.03.02 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Howard declared interests in items relating to the Sherwood and Waudby Charity and the School.

## **24.03.03 Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting on 6 February 2024 were approved.

## **24.03.04 Chairman's Communications**

The Chairman, on behalf of the Parish Council expressed sincere condolences to family and friends of the late Wendy Mitchell, who will be sadly missed.

## **24.03.05 Matters for Ward Councillors**

- a. **97 East End** – East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) visited the site regarding condition 5 of planning permission 03/06008/PLF (requirement to demolish building within 1 month of occupation). The case officer has advised that the site is still not complete and does not have the appearance of being occupied and therefore the trigger for demolition has not been met. If there is any evidence locally to the contrary the matter could be revisited.
- b. **Townend Park Water Levels** – ERYC stated it is permitted under the Highways Act 1980 to divert surface water on to the land as a temporary measure and as with all such sudden flooding events it expects members of the public to exercise appropriate care around large areas of standing water and for parent to take care of their young children if they are concerned. The Parish Council is looking into placing a warning sign at the location, cost approved minute ref 23.12.09a.
- c. **Zebra Crossing** – ERYC advised that the light on the northern side of the road will be lowered to 5m high and bespoke shields will be fitted which will allow for the crossing to be illuminated to the required standards whilst reducing the spill of light towards properties.
- d. **Domestic Abuse Update** – Cllr Stewart updated the Parish Council on work being done to tackle crimes of violence against women and girls, and domestic abuse and will forward posters for display on the noticeboards.
- e. **Election ID** – Ward Cllr Stewart highlighted the need for identification documents when voting, anyone needing assistance can call ERYC Electoral Services 01482 393300.
- f. **Devolution** – The Parish Council asked for information on how much the Devolution proposal and consultation has cost.
- g. **Footpath, West End to Manor Park** - The Parish Council asked if this footpath could be tidied due to winter debris.
- h. **Blocked Drain** – The Parish Council asked if a blocked drain near Park Farm Livery, previously reported as item number GDF589038399 could be followed up.

## **24.03.06 Planning**

- a. **Update** - In order to adhere to deadlines comments were submitted between meetings against applications: 24/00073/PLF 8 Paddock View, and 23/03895/TPO Risby Park Farm, Risby Lane. Comments can be viewed at <https://newplanningaccess.eastriding.gov.uk>

- b. **Permissions Granted** - 23/01766/VAR Land north of 46 Little Weighton Road. 24/00176/TCA 15 Kirk Lane.
- c. **Permission Withdrawn** – 23/01448/PLF Broadgate Reservoir, Broadgate.

#### 24.03.07 Delegations

There were no reports.

#### 24.03.08 Correspondence

- a. **Sewage Leaking on Kirk Lane** – The Parish Council thanked a resident for a copy of correspondence to Yorkshire Water regarding a leak on Kirk Lane.
- b. **Allotment Lease** – The Parish Council reviewed information for the lease and provided feedback where necessary. Documents will be sent to the Allotment Association for comment.
- c. **Memorial Request** – The Parish Council discussed a request for a memorial bench at the pond with a representative of the Pond Committee and both were in agreement that there is insufficient room at the pond for an additional bench, a similar request was recently declined for the same reason. The walkway at the pond is the property of ERYC and therefore the Parish Council cannot name the walkway.
- d. **Crime Prevention and Community Safety Event** - Councillors were invited to attend a Crime Prevention and Community Safety Event on 11 April at the Beverley Enterprise Centre.

#### 24.03.09 Village Improvements and Maintenance

- a. **Village Improvement Working Group Update** - The Parish Council received an estimate for overtime and expenses for village maintenance work from the Parish Council Cleaner/Handyman of £127.21. As in accordance with Standing Order 3y the RFO approved the ordering of the work between meetings, the Parish Council ratified this decision.
- b. **Street Light Request West Mill Rise** – A resident requested a street light at the very top of West Mill Rise. Due to limited funds, the Parish Council refused the request, however it will be kept on record for review when prioritising future spending.
- c. **Speed Indicator Devices** – The Parish Council suspended plans to rent devices while the effects of the new zebra crossing can be evaluated.
- d. **Red Yats Paddock** – The Parish Council is continuing to seek quotes.
- e. **D-Day Anniversary** – Pending approval from the Pond Committee, the Parish Council approved the cost of a sign for the pond to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024, estimated at £100.
- f. **Pegasus Group** – Ideas to alleviate flooding, create rich grasslands, restore eco-services and increase biodiversity will be forwarded to the group for consideration on the land. A meeting with a working group of Councillors and residents will be proposed.
- g. **King’s Portrait** – All public authorities have been given a free framed portrait of the King.

#### 24.03.10 Finance

- a. **Finance report** – The report was approved.
- b. **Payments** – The following payments were approved:
 

Staff wages and expenses	£1673.25
Village maintenance	£19.21
Stationery, subscriptions and admin	£33.99
Pest control	£131.48
Room hire for Ukelele Festival (donation to Stephen Hughes Foundation)	£132.00
- c. **Pest Control** – Renewal of the annual contract at £57.25 plus vat per month was approved.
- d. **Land Assets** – The cost of land registry searches for Far Forty, Remembrance Wood and Townend Park was approved.
- e. **The Stephen Huges Foundation** – The Foundation thanked the Parish Council for paying rental for Village Hall and a representative from the Parish Council was invited to cut the ribbon to officially open the festival on the 29 June. The Parish Council asked further information regarding the request for £20 to hire the school room to locate workshops.

**24.03.11 General Updates**

Cleaning of the War Memorial will take place in April/May 2024.

In response to a request by MP Graham Stewart for ideas on how the local transport fund could be spent on items other than transport, the Parish Council will request a bypass for the village.

The meeting closed at 21:15, the next meeting is Tuesday 9 April and will follow the Annual Parish Meeting

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_