

LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 25th June 2018

Present: Cllr Graham Cross, Helen Jarvis, Barbara Fiorato, Ian Johnson, Helen Jarvis, Judith Sugden, Joycelyn Bagnall, Beverley Croft, County Councillor Richard Welch, Abigail Horsfall (Clerk) District Councillor David Staveley.

Apologies: No apologies

MIN 281/2018: Cllr GC welcomed the new Cllr Beverley Croft and introduced everyone.

MIN 282/2018: Declaration of Interest: No Councillors declared an interest.

MIN 283/2018: To approve the Minutes of last meeting held on 21st May 2018. *Cllrs authorised the minutes as a true copy by Cllr Helen Jarvis and Seconder BF for the Chairman Graham Cross to sign.*

MIN 284/2018: District Councillor David Staveley – Reported that other Councils charge a lot more for garden waste than what Craven District Council charge.

MIN 285/2018: County Councillor Richard Welch – Reported that he is Chairing the Area committee. He also told the Council that the Highways has received funding for the road from Long Preston to the Lancashire border to be resurfaced. CCRW talked about the Layby by the railway bridge and said that he can help to fund it with the money for Environmental Issues. The sign would be made from stone. He will make up a brief plan and then run it by the Councillors before he goes ahead. Cllr BC asked about how much room would be left on the layby because there would need to be enough room for a horsebox to be able to go on. The Council will wait for the plan and then discuss it further.

MIN 286/2018: Matters arising:

- 1. Wild Area –** The Councillors spoke about the grass next to St John's Row and about leaving it next year to grow because Anne Towler has seen rare wild flowers growing on that patch. The Council need to find out how rare these flowers are, Cllr HJ will speak to Anne Towler. The Parish Council will speak about this at the beginning of next year. _
- 2. Fountain/War Memorial:** The Clerk has not heard anything new.
- 3. Fairhurst Stone Yard –** Cllr HJ sent a letter out to all the Cllrs about Fairhurst Stoneyard that will be distributed to all residents to tell them who they can contact when. There is something to report. Everyone in the Parish needs to collect evidence so that it can be shown. Cllr HJ has also been in contact with MP Julian Smith. He said once there is collated evidence he can then take it to the all the authorities. The Council has sent pictures and other evidence before to the authorities, but they have just passed the buck and try to say it's a different authority's issue. The problem is that residents really need to collect evidence to and send it in. Hopefully this letter will help.
- 4. Play area & Paving Stones round Stocks Tree–** The mats have been scrubbed, and the paving stones had been fixed but have now been broken again by the dustbin wagon. The parking round Stocks tree and opposite the tree near the Fountain have meant that the dustbin wagon can't get round.

5. **Light on the Main Bowerly Light** – The Light is going ahead; the Clerk has informed North Yorkshire County Council.
6. **Layby by the Railway Bridge** – The layby was discussed earlier in the meeting.
7. **Parking round Village** – The Clerk is to write a letter and ask the person who parks their car opposite the fountain if they could possibly not park it there on a Monday night and Tuesday morning, so the dustbin wagon can get round.
8. **School Site** – The Clerk contacted the YLCA who have advised the Clerk to contact North Yorkshire County Council and ask for the Green register. If the Green was de-registered, then it will show on this register. Once the Clerk has received this, YLCA said to email them will all the details about the school and then they will send it to their legal team and see what advice they can give.
9. **GPDA** – The Clerk has filled in the questionnaire regarding about the Parish Council. The Council is under CDC.
10. **Rats** – The rats have not been seen on the village green for the last 3 weeks. Some residents have seen rats in other parts of the village, so it was suggested a notice could be put in the Church Newsletter, asking residents to not put bird feeders out. Cllr HJ will ask Kate Croll if it is possible to go in the Church Newsletter.
11. **Buxton Park** – The Clerk will email all the details about Buxton Park to all the Councillors, once the Clerk has received the register for the Village Green round Langcliffe, that will confirm some information about Buxton Park. The Clerk will send the information to the YLCA to get their advice on this matter to.

MIN 287/2018: Financial Report: The Clerk explained the monthly accounts and showed them to the Councillors. The cheques were authorised for payment, the cheques were for Eon, Horton Landscaping for Grass Cutting, Paul Bainbridge for the mats and paving stones and the Clerk's wages. The cheques totalled £861.78

The Councillors confirmed that Beverly Croft and Helen Jarvis would be the new signatures on the bank account along with Barbara Fiorato and Graham Cross.

MIN 288/2018: Audit Paper: Cllr GC Signed the audit papers. The Clerk had the accounts audited earlier that day by David Croll.

MIN 289/2018: Planning: The Council discussed the planning and didn't feel there were any comments to make.

MIN 290/2018: Correspondence: The correspondence was looked at and distributed to the Councillors to read.

MIN 291/2018: Any Other Business:

Signs for the Village – Cllr HJ had been asked about a budget for some signs for Low Fold, Middle Fold. Apparently, there was a budget for new signs in Langcliffe for Low Fold and Middle Fold years ago. The Clerk can't remember there ever being a budget while she has been on the Council.

Birch Tree – Cllr HJ reported that she had been asked if the birch tree next to the Fountain could be taken down. The Council discussed this, trees can't be taken down unless there is a valid reason and the Council would have to check, because of it being in a Conservation Area.

Bin – Cllr JB asked who emptied the bin at the playarea because it has been quite full as the playarea has been used a lot with this lovely weather. The Clerk will contact CDC and check when the bins get emptied.

Resignation of the Clerk – The Clerk has contacted YLCA and forwarded to all the Councillors the procedure for advertising and interviewing a new Clerk. Cllr HJ has contacted NYCC as well.

Minutes on the noticeboard – Cllr IJ asked the other Councillors are happy with putting the signed off minutes in the notice board. The Council agreed.

MIN 292/2018: Next meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 16th July 2018. Meeting closed at 21.00pm