

LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 21st May 2018

Present: Cllr Barbara Fiorato, Graham Cross, Ian Johnson, Helen Jarvis, Judith Sugden, Abigail Horsfall (Clerk) District Councillor David Staveley.

Apologies: Cllr Joycelyn Bagnall, County Councillor Richard Welch, District Councillor Wendy Hull

Cllr Barbara Fiorato welcomed the new Councillors to the Council.

MIN 268/2018: Election of Chairman: Cllr BF proposed Cllr Graham Cross to be Chairman of the Council, this was seconded by Cllr Judith Sugden

Election of Vice Chairman: Cllr Judith Sugden proposed Cllr Helen Jarvis to be Vice Chairman and this was seconded by Cllr Graham Cross.

MIN 269/2018: Cllr Graham Cross thanked Cllr BF for the 16years that she has been the Chairman on the Parish Council and for everything that she has done over the years.

MIN 270/2018: Declaration of Interest: No Councillors declared an interest.

MIN 271/2018: To approve the Minutes of last meeting held on 9th April 2018.

Cllrs authorised the minutes as a true copy by Cllr Barbara Fiorato for the Chairman Graham Cross to sign.

MIN 272/2018: DC David Staveley reported that he is still the Chairman of the Select Committee. DC DS will be sitting on a special planning committee. He reported that the litter picking bags can be picked up outside the institute and he will check to see if there are any gloves and litter pickers available.

Cllr GC asked DC DS about the Layby if he had any additional information on what was going on. The Clerk had received an email regarding the layby from Highways. The price for making the layby better and reducing the length of it was £2000. The Clerk had emailed back and asked why the Parish Council would have to pay for it when the Highways owns it. The Highways came back to the Clerk and confirmed that our records show this area as adopted highway. Regarding the Langcliffe sign, Highways North Yorkshire would not maintain these they are the responsibility of the Parish Council. We would not regard removing a layby or pull off area as maintenance. DC DS spoke about the grant that CC RW can give out and that might help with the cost of the layby. There were also suggestions of the Quarries helping with the cost because it is their wagons that have made the size of the layby increase.

MIN 273/2018: Matters arising:

1. **Fountain/War Memorial:** The grant has been accepted but the Clerk hasn't received an update of when the restoration can begin.
2. **Fairhurst Stone Yard –** The Clerk had received an email from David Grace, which she will send to the Councillors. Cllr Helen Jarvis has researched Fairhurst Stoneyard and all the emails and minutes and what has been happening. Cllr Helen Jarvis asked if she could send a newsletter out about the Stone Yard and update the residents on what the Parish Council is doing and how the residents can help by complaining to the correct authorities. She will also put a list of names and numbers on the Newsletter so that the

residents have got all the correct information. Cllr IJ asked about why there are not sheets on the top of the wagons because the quarries must have their wagons covered. This has been one of the complaints that the Parish Council previously has had. The Parish Council discussed Fairhurst Stoneyard in detail so that the new Councillors know exactly what the previous Council has been doing. Cllr HJ will email the newsletter to the other Councillors before sending it out.

3. **Play area** – The mats have been scrubbed and the cobbles are being fixed round Stocks Tree.
4. **Light on the Main Bowerly Light** – The new light was discussed, and Cllr GC explained to the new Council about the light and what has been happening. The Council voted in favour of the light being replaced, because there is money in the bank and this problem has been going on for so long. The light is needed for safety reasons for children and residents walking up in winter.
5. **Layby by the Railway Bridge** – The layby was discussed earlier in the meeting.
6. **Parking round Village** – The parking around the village is an ongoing problem. The police suggested double yellow lines, but DCDS said that the Highways may not allow double yellow lines. Also, where will all the residents park? Would the car park be big enough? The Council will discuss this matter again at the next meeting.
7. **School Site** – The Clerk has received an email from the school owners with documents of the site and the access. The Council would like some professional advice on the documents, so the Clerk is to email YLCA and see if they can help before getting a Solicitor involved.
8. **GPDA** – The Clerk sent an email with information regarding GPDA to all the Councillors and Cllr IJ had read that the Council had to have decided on who their GPDA officer is for the Council. If the measure gets turned down in Parliament then Parish Councillors no longer will need a GPDA officer. The Clerk will contact Craven District Council and make sure they are the Parish Council's GPDA officer. If not the Parish Council can use YLCA as their officer.
9. **Highroad** – Cllr IJ reported that Highways have stopped the water on the Highroad but the Council will wait to see what happens when it rains again.

MIN 274/2018: Co-option – The Council spoke about the co-option candidates in detail and agreed that all three would have made good Councillors but voted that Beverly Croft would become the new Councillor.

MIN 275/2018: Parish Council Representatives – Cllr BF explained all the groups that the Council has representatives on:

Foster & Close Charity – Margret Lodge

Langcliffe Institute Committee - Brian Woollard now.

Freight Partnership – Paul Caffrey now.

Settle and district aid – Graham Cross

Langcliffe Education Foundation - Barbara Fiorato

Community Gardens – Rae Lonsdale, Trustee

MIN 276/2018: Financial Report: The Clerk explained the monthly accounts and showed them to the Councillors on her computer because her printer had broken and couldn't print them out. The Clerk will email them out to

the Councillors tomorrow. The cheques were authorised for payment, the cheques were for Eon, BHIB (Insurance), Horton Landscaping for Grass Cutting, Craven District Council for the election and the Clerk's wages. The cheques totalled £1085.42.

MIN 277/2018: Planning: The Clerk reported that there had been planning put in for Paley's Farm, the Clerk did send comments in about 2nd homes and holiday cottages.

MIN 278/2018: Correspondence: The correspondence was looked at and distributed to the Councillors to read.

MIN 279/2018: Any Other Business:

Rats – The clerk received an email from Pat Smelt regarding rats on the Green and Cllr JB had also mentioned it to the Clerk. The Clerk has contacted CDC about the rats but there is no longer a pest control officer, but the Clerk was given contact details of someone who might be able to help. The Clerk contacted them and asked about the price and what would happen. The first hour is £60, but it will depend on how long the first visit takes and how bad the problem is. The Councillors said that the problem which was thought to have been a bird table has had the food taken away. Cllr HJ said she would check to see if the problem was getting better. The Council will discuss this at the next meeting.

Website – Cllr HJ said that the website has had 166 hits in the last month.

Buxton Park – The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Mrs Collins regarding the state of the road at Buxton Park and that if it is Village Green should the Parish Council have to maintain it otherwise they could be liable. The Council decided to discuss this in detail at the next meeting. If the Parish Council maintains this road will the Parish Council not have to maintain other roads in Langcliffe.

MIN 280/2018: Next meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 25th June 2018. Meeting closed at 21.18pm