

## N LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Present:** Cllr Barbara Fiorato, Jane Brown, John Colbert, Graham Cross, Brian Woollard, Paul Caffrey, DC David Stavely, CC Richard Welch, Abigail Horsfall (Clerk).

#### **Apologies:**

**MIN 220/2017: Declaration of Interest:** No Councillors declared an interest.

**MIN 221/2017: To approve the Minutes of last meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017.**

*Cllrs authorised the minutes as a true copy for Chairman Barbara Fiorato to sign off.*

**MIN 222/2017: CC Richard Welch** - reported that a week tomorrow there is a proposal to charge 5 x council tax rate for 2<sup>nd</sup> homes and holiday cottages.

To be able to dig a hole in the road you now need a permit. This will encourage utilities to get together and dig at the same time.

Cllr GC asked CCRW if he had an update on the Layby. The layby is getting bigger again. The Improvement manager doesn't think it needs to be tidied up. The Council should write to the Quarries and ask them to stop the wagons from parking on the layby. Area freight partnership committee.

Cllr BW suggested that there should be speed camera signs should be put up where the speed cameras have been situated over the last few months. It is obviously a problem area, which now needs a more permanent solution to the speeding. There is bad feeling towards the police because residents feel it is a straightforward way for the police to make money.

**MIN 223/2017: DC David Staveley** – reported on the submission of the local plan and last minute, the local plan was struggling for sites. It was suggested that there isn't a shortage of houses in the Settle Area, if there were not as many second homes and holiday cottages.

Ashfield carpark toilets are being flattened and plans are hopefully going in for 2 shop units and 2 flats above. The Chamber of trade website is being improved. Business can pay to advertise on it. New signs are being discussed for around Settle area for all the different tourist activities.

#### **MIN 224/2017: Matters arising:**

1. **Fountain/War Memorial:** There was no new update at this moment.
2. **Fairhurst Stone Yard** – It was reported that the workmen have started playing music again.
3. **Community Gardens** – The Clerk explained that she had put the Community Garden Trust forward for an award for all the work they had done.
4. **Dog Fouling** – It's never as bad in the winter months as it is in the summer months.
5. **Playarea** – The Play safety inspection took place and the overall risk was low. There was an issue with the slide, but it was still low risk. The mats need cleaning under the swings.
6. **Light on Main Road** – The Clerk is to email Peter Ball and ask if he knows which lights will be replaced in the future plans because of the letter sent out from the North Yorkshire County Council.

7. **Layby by the Railway Bridge** – The layby was discussed with CC Richard Welch.
8. **Christmas Tree** – The Christmas Tree cost £95. The Council discussed putting lights wound Stocks Tree and that they could be put up and then left on the Tree all year round and switched on in December.
9. **Parking round Village** - The Clerk has not heard anything.

**MIN 225/2017: Financial Report:** The Clerk distributed the monthly accounts and discussed the cheques for this month which were for Eon, Poppy Appeal, Horton Landscaping, and the Clerk's wages. The cheques totalled £350.05. The accounts were approved.

**MIN 226/2017: Precept** – The Clerk gave out the annual figures for the precept and asked the Councillors to look through them. Cllr BW suggested that at the AGM the Council should ask the residents if they have any ideas for things to improve the Village so that the Council could budget for the ideas.

**MIN 227/2017: Planning:**

**MIN 228/2017: Correspondence:** The correspondence was looked at and distributed to the Councillors to read.

**MIN 229/2017: Any Other Business:**

**Street Lights** - The Clerk was informed that there were 2 Street Lights out in Langcliffie.

**Mill Pond** – Cllr JB explained that the Mill Pond is nearly empty. There is no water bailiff anymore. Cllr JB has contacted the Environment Agency.

**MIN 230/2017:** Next meeting of the Parish Council is Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Meeting closed at 8.26p.m.