

LANGCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Langcliffe Parish Council meeting held on the Zoom platform on Monday 4th January 2021 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors present – G. Cross (Chairman), H. Jarvis, B. Fiorato, B. Croft, J. Bagnall, J. Sugden, I. Johnson, D. Staveley(CDC), A. Blackburn (Clerk). Public present – none.

111/20. Apologies for Absence – all present.

112/20. Code of conduct – localism Act 2011

- a) To record any councillor's disclosable pecuniary interests in any item on this agenda.
- b) To consider any changes in members' register of interests.
- c) To consider any dispensations – None received.

113/20. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7th & 15th December 2020

Council resolved to approve both minutes.

114/20. Matters Arising – Actions

Minutes 7th December

Ref: 109/20 – The Clerk informed Council that after consulting NYCC footpath database it was discovered that Howsons Lane was not registered as a public footpath and would not qualify for maintenance purposes by NYCC.

Buxton Park access is registered as a designated footpath. Council discussed the surface of the footpath and noted that the width of the path allowed pedestrians to negotiate access safely, it was noted that vehicle access to the footpath had contributed to an uneven surface in places.

All defective lighting reported previously had received repair.

Minutes 15th December Council discussed comments received by the planning applicant.

115/20. Public Participation.

Residents had reported to Council that sheep had crossed the broken cattle grid and were once again in the village causing a nuisance and contributing towards traffic safety issues. The Clerk had sent an email to NYCC Chief Executive reminding him of the promise made by him to J. Smith MP that the cattle grid would be repaired. A date had been requested by the Clerk for a repair to the grid.

116/20. District/ County Councillor Report.

Cllr Staveley informed Council that the Crime & Disorder Committee had met before Christmas but as yet no yearly crime figures were available. The Police had reported that currently there was not a policy to turn people away from visiting the area as yet, as all directives were advisory only.

The Police strongly discourage rural vigilante actions against visitors to the area, with current advice to report any issues directly to the Police.

Cllr Jarvis informed Council of the current situation regarding play equipment, Council discussed with Cllr Staveley the provision of wood based equipment. Agenda item for future meetings.

117/20. Car Park – Tree removal & replacement.

The Clerk informed Council that the Tree Surgeon would remove the diseased Ash tree from the car park on the 7th January if vehicles could be relocated prior to the works.

Cllr Bagnall volunteered to arrange for vehicle relocation.

Action – Clerk to liaise with contractor.

118/20. Flooding – Follow up.

The Clerk had inspected the works undertaken by NYCC Highways following the flooding in November. The culvert from the village to the cattle grid had been excavated and water was running through effectively, the cattle grid was full of water and had frozen solid allowing sheep to pass the grid (see item 115/20). Council discussed measures relative to flood prevention with prompt reporting of blocked drains to NYCC to be observed.

119/20. Electronic Banking.

Council resolved to renew the banking mandate inclusive of all Councillors, and also the Clerk for internet banking purposes only.

Action – Clerk to complete the mandate.

120/20. Planning Applications.

Enquiries regarding planning application C/48/24R/APP (Fairhurst-stone) had been received as this had been submitted on 19/10/2019 with no update on the YDNP Planning website.

Action – Clerk to enquire.

121/20. Financial Statements & Invoices for payment (Resolved)

Council resolved to approve the Financial Statement for January and the following Invoices: Harrison & Cross Ltd – lamp repair.

E-ON – street lighting.

A. Blackburn – salary

122/20. Correspondence.

Caledonia Play – brochure.

Footpath diversion – Council discussed the proposed diversion which incorporates the existing narrow path alongside the railway line adjacent to the Craven Works site, Langcliffe. Concern was raised as to the narrow path and the vegetation overgrowth on this route. Cllr Staveley suggested more detailed provision of the diversion.

Action – Clerk to liaise with YDNP for information, & Councillors for electronic consensus.

123/20. Highways & Street Lighting.

Cllr Johnson reported a blocked drain on Malham Road.

Cllr Croft reported flickering lamp at the junction of the B6479 & Locks Lane.

Action – Clerk to liaise with NYCC & report to contractor.

124/20. The Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 1st February 2021

Meeting Closed at 8.45pm

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