

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SHERBURN-IN-ELMET PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE HARRY MOUNTAIN ROOM AT EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE ON MONDAY
20th MARCH, 2017 @ 7PM**

Present: Councillors P. Doherty (Chairman), C. Lake (Vice Chairman), Mrs J. Brown, Mrs J. Prescott, D. Buckle, Mrs B. Thwaite, B. Packham, M. Hobson, K. Devers, L. Wake, Mrs M. Hunt, T. Platts and Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

Also present: 5 members of the public and the Press.

The two new Councillors signed their Acceptance of Office forms.

MEETING BUSINESS

105. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

No apologies were received.

106. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chairman and Councillor Devers declared interests in the Community Trust and Councillor Buckle in the Community Event,

107 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 20TH February 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

108. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

Two residents from Carr Avenue complaining of **persistent anti-social behaviour** in the village as a whole but especially around the Eversley Park area. There have been two cars damaged and houses egged, one resident's son has had homophobic comments shouted at him in the street (reported to the police as a hate crime). Eversley Park appears to be a magnet for these youths with revving cars and loud radios also unsavoury behaviour and drug dealings. Residents have telephoned Police but as it takes hours for them to arrive the problem has gone by the time they do turn up. Residents also reported that youths were throwing food around in the bus shelter in the village. Surely with hundreds more houses being built we need more Police around this village. Chairman told the residents they must telephone Police every time an incident occurs and get an incident number this would mean that all calls are logged and it would then show the extent of the problem and action should then be taken. Residents asked as the park belongs to the Parish Council there must be something the Parish Council can do to stop vehicles especially getting on to the area to try and alleviate some of the nuisance. Councillor Hobson stated he would personally lock the gate on a night but this would be difficult as Eversley Park Centre need the access. Councillors discussed about moving the gate at entrance way to the park to beside the Eversley Park Centre and keeping it locked at all times to stop all traffic getting on to the park. **Resolved to investigate moving the existing gate or alternatively install a new gate to restrict access to Eversley Park.** The possibility of extending CCTV coverage to include this area was discussed. **Resolved to investigate the possibility of extending CCTV coverage to include the problem area of Eversley Park.** Shops could be approached to see if they would agree not to sell eggs to youths. It is possible that WiFi at the Eversley Park Centre is an attraction and Chairman agreed to investigate this. It was agreed the Clerk would write to

Asst. Chief Constable Lisa Winward (Chief Officer responsible for Local Policing) asking for this area to be highlighted for Police attention. Also Councillor Brown would take this up as Police Liaison Officer.

The residents from **Wolsey Croft** reported the awareness day last Friday which the Police had organised. 81 people had been stopped. Most people stopped had said "what signs" about the access only so bigger better signs were needed, maybe putting a large yellow boundary round them would make them stand out more, Chairman reported that NYCC were talking about better signage. Councillor Platts stated that the Traffic lights need some form of upgrade as there are always long queues which with more housing can only get worse. Councillor Lake suggested that the residents only should have meetings with Enforcement, NYCC and the Police to try and get a solution worked out. "H" bars seemed the best option being offered but residents themselves need to have private meetings that would not become so heated and then a solution may be forthcoming. Councillor Thwaite would let Chairman and Councillor Hobson have copies of the survey form she did for Beech Grove so they can adjust it for Wolsey Croft and get them out to all householders. Resident from Wolsey Croft had met with Julia Mulligan who said straight away put bollards across to close it off, this was what 99% of residents wanted but been told no chance.

Resident complained about **Eversley Park Centre** he has seen the lease and been told this is not a legal document and felt this being run as a private enterprise not as a Community Centre. Chairman passed this to Councillor Thwaite to reply to who reported that YLCA had checked the lease and were happy with this. Councillor Thwaite felt the residents comments were unfair as this is run as a Charity by the Committee and it is well used by all ages of the community from the U3A to toddlers. It has to pay its way as it has wages to pay, gas, electric rates etc. Resident stated he is not suggesting there is anything underhand going on, just passing on comments he had been asked to do.

Resident also asked if something could be done about **parking at Aldi store** when car park full vehicles park out on the road which causes quite a blockage and 3 cars had been damaged 2 weeks ago. Chair to contact NY Highways.

**109. PRESENTATION BY ANN SNOWDEN REGARDING CHRISTMAS EVENT.
This presentation did not take place.**

110. POLICE ISSUES.

i) Police Presentation – Councillor Wake asked why no Police at this meeting. Chairman stated they cannot attend all Parish Council meetings. Councillors agreed we should ask for them to attend as many meetings as possible.

ii) Police Representative report – Councillor Brown reported that there is to be a Graffiti project on the wall behind Boots. Police asked about an extra bin on Library area. Councillor Prescott reports that Sherburn has got 2 new PCs in Sherburn but are losing PCSO Tim McGreevy. Councillor Platts asked what the Policing Strategy was for this village and Councillor Devers stated this is on their website.

iii) Letter from NY Police regarding Police Property Fund available for Community Projects – all Councillors had copies of this.

**111. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
To Report and take comments on.**

i) Leases on Library and Old School – these will be in place for the 1st April 2017.

ii) High School – 3G pitch starting 10th April and will be finished in July.

iii) **Better Together** – SDC and NYCC trying to get a working group set up for the hub project in the summer.

112. CORRESPONDENCE

- i) **To receive letter from Duffy Ltd** – regarding major roadworks at Bishopdyke Road 13th March for 22 weeks to install bridge and new access road to the extension to the Industrial Estate.
- ii) **To receive letter from Yorkshire Water** regarding changes to their business trading from 1st April 2017.
- iii) **To receive letter from website regarding Community Forums.**
- iv) **To receive letter from YLCA** –Section 137 sum for 2017/18 will be £7.57 per elector
- v) **To receive updated bus services – list sent to all Councillors**
- vi) **To receive letter from Civic Voice regarding free workshop regarding War Memorials on the 5th April in York 9.45am-1pm.**
- vii) **To receive letter from SDC regarding new fly tipping notices.**

113. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) PLANNING

- i) **Report on Planning meeting 6.15pm In PC Office**– Councillor Lake reports that new drawings sent for Low Street which were very confusing. Separate minutes will be forwarded. Councillor Packham reports that Section 278 agreement regarding roads/footpaths has been delayed until the end of the year, but a temporary footpath is being provided on Low Street.
- ii) **Report from Transport/Traffic Committee** – no meeting.
- iii) **Construction sites** - Chairman reports that Redrow/Persimmon are starting early again and this has been taken up by Enforcement officers at Selby.

b) COUNCIL

- i) **Update on Emergency Plan** – Councillor Devers report this is ongoing. Chairman asked that two months ago we were promised this would be sent out in the next few days. Councillor Devers would scan and send this out in the next few days.
- ii) **Update on Email addresses for Councillors** - Ongoing.
- iii) **Programme for Growth** - Councillor Buckle reports architect ill at the moment so this is delayed.
- iv) **Pavement Parking on Beechwood Glade** - Councillor Wake had email from Police and had replied with full details but not received a response. Clerk to email police.
- v) **Village Centre Traffic Lights** - Chairman still looking at figures regarding this.
- vi) **Bottle Bank Eversley Park Area (Cllr Devers)** – Councillor Devers felt we should have a bottle bank along with the others at the entranceway to the park. Councillors felt everyone had a recycling box for glass and when we had a bottle bank glass was smashed all over the area and was a noise nuisance to surrounding housing.
- vii) **Toilets in the village (Cllr Hobson)** - Councillor Hobson working on a unisex option for this village but could not give further details yet. **Resolved if he came back with full costings and options the Council would consider this.**
- viii) **Youth Update (Cllr Hobson)** - Councillor Thwaite reports that White Rose have given permission for Jake to do a consultation on this area.
- ix) **Update on Community Development Manager Vacancy** - Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday am to go through and decide on applicants to interview.
- x) **Update on Traffic problems Wolsey Croft** - Discussed in the Open meeting.

c. **FINANCE**

i) **To Agree minutes of Finance meeting held on Monday 13th March 2017 (attached)**
– Some Councillors not received these so Chairman want through them fully. **Resolved that the minutes and actions be approved.**

ii) **Cheques totalling £7,013,39 (see separate list) were approved and signed by the Councillors.**

d) **LAND & PREMISES**

i) **No LAP meeting held.**

e) **PERSONNEL/TRAINING**

i) **No Personnel Meeting held.**

114. **OTHER REPORTS**

a) **Selby Rail Users** – Councillor Buckle reports that later train from York will not now start until December 2018, station upgrade will be 2018 also. **Agreed Clerk write and ask why this has been delayed.**

b) **Gala Committee** –Councillor Lake reported all ongoing for Gala in May.

c) **Community Association** – Councillor Prescott reports that they are just starting with beds. Deadline for next Informer 22nd April.

d) **Eversley Park Centre** - No meeting held.

e) **Yorkshire Local Councils Association** – No meeting held.

f) **C.E.F.'s** - Councillor Buckle reports that 2016/17 year Sherburn has been allocated £14k for projects from this fund.

g) **Rugby Club** – Councillor Thwaite reports she had problems this weekend with cars parked at the centre not allowing Rugby Club 2 spaces to park. Moving gate would help alleviate this problem.

h) **Angling Club** – Councillor Hobson reports all ok at the moment.

i) **White Rose Football Club** – Quote received for hedge trimming at £940 plus £300 to remove hedge to clear area where bowls are piling grass clippings which are attracting rats also make area look much tidier and clearer for CCTV to keep an eye on it. **Resolved this quote be accepted and work done as soon as possible before birds start nesting.**

j) **Fairways area** - Councillor Buckle and Hobson requested permission for parking on this area for the Craft/Food fair in August. **Resolved that they check with White Rose about their usage and if they are not using this the Parish Council agreed with this provided a bond is paid for any damage caused.**

k) **Aero Club Liaison Committee** - No meeting held.

l) **Village Centre Project** – Chairman reports that Sculpture should be installed this week.

j) **Craft & Food Festival 2017** – Councillor Buckle reports he will not need further funding from this Parish Council as they have secured £20k from SDC towards this project.

k) **Community Library Steering Group** – Chairman reports everything going well and will be opening as Community Library on the 1st April.

115. **CLERKS REPORTS REQUEST FOR MATTERS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

i) **Understanding the Planning System Training YLCA** - Councillor Devers wished to attend the session at Leyburn on the 20th April. Chairman asked if he would accept expenses payments for the nearer option as Leyburn is the furthest venue from Sherburn. Councillor Devers then withdraw his request to attend.

ii) Request from Funding from Selby DIAL – Clerk reports she has received request for funding from the above. To go on next agenda but Council have decided not to donate this year to any organisations

iii) Copy of Contractors Public Liability Insurance – Clerk reports up to date certificate received

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

i) Anti-slip surface in front of Tesco (Cllr. Hobson)