

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY  
APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> 2016 @ 7PM IN THE EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE.**

Present: Councillors P. Doherty (Chairman), C. Lake (Vice Chairman), T. Streatfield, Mrs B. Thwaite, Mrs J. Brown, Mrs J. Prescott, M. Hobson & D. Buckle. D. Palmer CDO and Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

Also present 13 members of the public.

**1. Apologies for absence** –Councillors B. Packham, L. Wake and M. Jordan.

**2. Village Centre Project.**

Chairman reports that this meeting has been called following complaints about the work being done on the Village Centre project. This is causing concerns by residents as appears to be completely different to the plan which has been shown on website/gala day stall etc.

**Question** – The yellow walls are awful and the black tarmac is even worse. The plan which had been published looked great but this job just looks like a “bodgit and scarper” job. Chairman stated the Council are not too happy with the yellow walls but we have been assured this will weather, this is what was planned for “Wentbridge stone”.

**Question** –Residents are sure that Tarmac was not on the plan, this looked like stones matching all along the area. Residents state the blocks which were there before were much better than this surface why had they to be moved. One resident stated that in icy weather this tarmac would be a ski slope and very dangerous. Councillor Lake reports that this actually what is on the plan, the binding coat has been laid to make it safe and the final coat is due to go on this week. Councillor Buckle stated that a resin coating would improve the look of this. The Council have to make the decision tonight what happens with this so the Contractors can go ahead tomorrow with the work.

**Question** –Owner of “Forget me not” is having tarmac trailed into his shop now and in hot weather will be even worse. What has all this work cost? Chairman states that the cost is £168K. All shops abutting the site were contacted when planning went in and the only comment was from HSBC which were about access to their building and the dirt and dust while the work was being done. The owner of units 4-8b Low street also had concerns regarding access while the work was being done, but felt that the work would enhance the central shopping area.

**Five people arrived late and asked why the wrong time had been put on the notice. Also why this was only on Notice Board which was behind barrier and could not be seen or in the Library, which no-one went to.** Chairman assured them that the correct time was on the Notice and that this was also on the website and the Parish Council office windows. The contractors had put up the barriers so we have no control over that.

Residents thought this should be on a more prominent Notice board and also flyers/Notices in every shop not everyone has internet or bothers to look on it.

**Question** –Is the History Board being re-erected. Councillor Brown reports this will be put back when the work is completed.

**Question** –Resident asked why we were spending so much public money on what is in fact private property . Councillor Thwaite states that this was being done to try and make the village a better place for all residents. Resident states that this is not an improvement to the village in fact just the opposite at the moment. Car parking is impossible. Councillor Hobson reports there are signs pointing people to the District Council car park. Chairman stressed that Selby provided some of the money for this scheme and Parish Council change this the Parish Council will have to pay any extra costs.

**Question** Resident asked if the owners of the land would be approached to pay something towards this work. Chairman stated we could certainly contact the landowners and ask this question.

**Question** –Resident ask if we decide we want something else will the barriers/cabins be removed before the Cycle Saturday event. Chairman states they will be cleared before that event; the work is due to be finished by the 22nd April.

**Question** –Resident asked what could be done about parking on footpath etc. at Highfields when the School car park is empty- Chairman states that this is not a matter for this meeting, the Re3dient should raise this as next week’s Parish Council meeting.

Much discussion took place about what could/could not be done.

**Chairman stated to the public that he was going to propose to the Parish Council; that we complete the work as per the specification on the planning application and then look at options to amend or improve the scheme. He asked for comments from the Public. But none were made.**

**Chairman put the following proposal to the Councillors: that we complete the work as per the specification on the planning application and then have consultation with the Architects and the public about options to amend or improve the scheme. The proposal was seconded by Councillor Streatfield, a vote was taken and this was passed by 6 votes to 2.**

**3. New Parish Councillor. New Councillor K. Devers signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.**

**The Chairman then thanked the public for their attendance and agreed that the next meeting regarding this scheme would be well advertised on all the notice boards and in all the shops so the public know when this is being held.**

