

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SHERBURN-IN-ELMET PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE HARRY MOUNTAIN ROOM AT EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE ON MONDAY 20th JANUARY 2014 @ 7PM.

Present: Councillors S. Haskell (Chairman), B. Packham, Mrs J. Prescott, P. Doherty, Mrs J. Brown, C. Lake, M. Hobson, Mrs M. Hunt and Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

Also present: Four members of the public..

87. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors K. Devers, M. Gibson, Mrs S. Hoyland (Project Officer) M. Jordan (District Councillor) and PC Richardson.

88. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No councillors had interests to declare.

89. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday December 16th 2013 previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

90. POLICE MATTERS.

There were no Police issues.

91. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION.

3 Representatives of the Eversley Park Committee asked if the Parish Council would reconsider their decision **about fencing round by Fire Door (Harry Mountain Room side)** youths are hanging around this area blocking the fire door, smoking weed and generally causing a nuisance to hirers of the rooms. It would also mean Bins could be located behind this fencing stopping litter and glass being thrown around the car park area. They have got a quotation of £2500 for this work and this would include a push type fire exit door. Agreed they get another 2 quotations for this work and Clerk to check with Fire people about the legality of this fencing. These could then go to LAP committee for further discussion/decision. Resident asked if the Parish Council realise how lucky Sherburn was over **the Fire at Gascoigne Wood** and does this not highlight the need for a Fire Station in the village. Chairman stated we are all very aware of how lucky this village was as the prevailing wind was taking most of the dense smoke away from this area. He also stated this was a "one off" event which would not change the standing regards a Fire Station, the tenders were on site very swiftly at the onset of the fire. A full enquiry will be taking place about this event which should start in the next few days and will be a public document when completed.

92. PRESENTATION BY LIZ WATSON, GROUNDWORK ON VILLAGE CENTRE PROJECT

Council agreed this agenda item could be out of order so that Liz Watson could get finished and away. Liz is the new Landscape Architect who has been brought in on this project. She reports that they have an opportunity to ring fence some funding from the SDC "Programme for Growth" so it is important that this chance is not missed. The initial design is to be renewed following the decision that the War Memorial will not be moved. It is suggested to move the Heritage Boards to site of present toilets which will move to side of Club.

Liz showed some suggestions of what they are considering which will be simple seats and bollards which will be colour co-ordinated with plastic covered metal which would look good and be hard wearing. Low Walls and Planters will complete the scheme.

Chairman asked when work will start, Liz cannot say as they are at present negotiating with

Landowners. The area at the moment they are looking at is from the Club, HSBC to Tesco. The other side of the road could be deferred to a later date (would be nice but not urgent). Councillor Doherty asked if the full scheme would be published - yes they would have full Public Exhibition of final plans. Chairman thanked Liz for her presentation and she left the meeting.

93. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

To Report and take comments on;

County Councillor reported;

He has meetings this next week over quite a lot of matters which he will report back at next PC meeting. He asked Councillor Lake if the Knotweed was still around at the footpath area, Councillor Lake would check and let him know as the County would have to renew the contract if this is not cleared.

94. CORRESPONDENCE

i) To Receive route for HS2 between Altofts and Church Fenton.

This comes across by Huddlestone Hall and joins present line by Copley Lane Quarry.

Resolved again send our former concerns about this HS2 proposals.

ii) To Receive letter from Conservation Group regarding help they can give to Parishes trying to get work done. raising awareness of grants, funding available, drawing up plans etc. (copy been sent to all Councillors) **Resolved this go to next LAP meeting for discussion.**

iii) To Receive letter from YLCA regarding weekly bin collections.

Copy been sent to all Councillors, no comments were put forward.

iv) To Receive letter from Probation Service- have council any work they wish to be done. **Resolved we suggest cleaning ginnel between Beechwood Glade and Eversley Mount and also litter and weeds at back of library.**

v) To Receive letter from Local Company (On Your Desk Top) wanting listing on PC website and also request to site banner for a few days in the village. **Resolved we write this will be on our website but the sign would have to be arranged through SDC or NYCC.**

vi) To Receive letter from worker at Selby Dam Drainage Board asking for council backing for the workers claim for proper payments. Resolved we write stating that as a Council we do not feel we can get involved in pay disputes.

vii) To Receive letter from Sophie Baldrick regarding subsidised Tree planting being offered to communities. Copy been sent to all Councillors. 170-200 trees would cost £50. **Resolved we would like some of these trees this go to next LAP meeting for decision on site of the trees.**

viii) To Receive letter from Selby District Council regarding meeting re; Community Infrastructure Levy- meeting on 29th January at 6pm at the Civic Centre, Selby. Councillor Lake would attend as Chairman of Finance committee.

95. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) PLANNING - meeting took place at 6.45 in PC office separate minutes will be circulated.

b) Report from Traffic/Transport sub-committee - matters on Planning minutes.

b) COUNCIL

i) Project Officers Report – Still awaiting Chairman and Councillor Packham to give date for another meeting, Councillor Packham will e-mail Project Officer. Community Mini-Bus

letter received today that the Committee do not wish to take this over, even though no meeting been held their AGM is to be held on the 26th February at 7.30pm. **Resolved that Councillors Brown and Prescott attend this meeting and suggest that a Committee of users and the Parish Council get together to try and sort something out for this bus. Following these decisions it was Resolved this report be approved.**

ii) **Report on YLCA Healthcheck** - Copies of Dignity at Work document had been circulated to all Councillors. **Resolved that this policy be adopted.**

c) FINANCE

i) **To Agree/Approve minutes from Tuesday 14th January 2014 meeting (attached)** These were discussed and **Resolved these be accepted. Chairman of Finance reports we need a new member on this Committee as Councillor Mrs Hunt has resigned due to other commitments. Councillor Gibson to be approached to see if he is interested.**

ii) **Cheques for Payment. Cheques totalling £25,531.87 were approved and signed by the Council. (See seperate list)** Councillor Doherty reports that the Traffic Survey account, South Milford Parish Council agreed to pay 1/6th of this, **Resolved Clerk send account for this to South Milford Parish Council.**

d) LAND & PREMISES

i) **To agree/approve minutes from LAP meeting held on Monday January 13th (attached)** Councillor Packham felt before we approved Metal Detector on our land we should check with County Archeologist that this is OK. **Following this amendment it was Resolved that these be approved.**

ii) **Report from Village Centre Working Group.**

Councillor Mrs Brown reports that the Architect costs for the renewed scheme would be £4,650 +VAT this work includes identifying street furniture, revise the masterplan, attend steering group meetings, liaison with Elmet Social Club and the builders and deal with replacement costs of the toilets and also liaise with District Council. **Resolved this seemed a reasonable quotation and this should be accepted. It would be drawn down out of S106 monies that Councillor Jordan had requested. Councillor Packham stated that even if the Parish Council pay this themselves it would enthuse the District if it is felt we are committed to the work.**

Councillor Mrs Brown reports that Paul Varley has taken over this scheme from Peter Murphy and is already making headway with the District Council over the toilets. He will meet with the Elmet Social Club soon to try and get things moving there also.

e) PERSONNEL

No report

96. OTHER REPORTS

a) **Selby Rail Users** – Councillor Packham reports that at their meeting last week they are still keen to see improvements at both Sherburn and South Milford stations Mr French is still trying hard regarding parking at both stations and a meeting between users and Northern Rail is still on the cards.

b) **Gala Committee** - Councillor Lake reports that when walking the park today he notes that the Snooker Wall is right where the Fair put the waltzer for the Gala which could cause a problem. Councillor Hobson asked why the Christmas lights were on well into the New Year, Councillor Lake stated manpower was needed to get these down if anyone wished to volunteer.

- c) **C.A.B** - No meeting held. Councillor Packham asked why they do not now attend the library, Councillor Brown thought this was due to lack of volunteers
- d) **Community Association** – No meeting held.
- e) **Eversley Park Centre** – This was dealt with in Open Session.
- f) **Yorkshire Local Councils Association** – No meeting held.
- g) **C.E.F.'s** – Councillor Mrs Prescott reports that Julia Mulligan would be attending their next meeting.
- h) **Rugby Club** – Councillor Lake reports he is meeting with them tomorrow evening regarding use of pitches at Fairway area.
- i) **Angling Club** - Chairman reports he has contacted Mr Jordan and work is ongoing. Clerk reports that some more accounts have been forthcoming and she has sent claim into Selby for these. We are over the £3500 already paid by SDC and asking if we can draw down the other £3500 from this scheme now..
- j) **White Rose Football Club** – Councillor Packham reports that their next meeting is on the 27th January.
- k) **Fairways area** – No report.
- l) **Aero Club Liaison Committee** - Request received from Linda Gosling asking if she could attend February PC meeting to do a presentation on the "Custom Modified Car Show* at their site on the 18th May. **Resolved we ask why she wants to give this presentation.**

97. CLERKS REPORT/COUNCILLORS REQUESTS FOR MATTERS FOR NEXT

AGENDA- **Items for information only**

i) **Letter from Mark Crane, SDC.**

Reply to our letter regarding withholding of Govt Levy by the District Council. Mr Crane states he did promise that this would be passed on to parishes and he intends to honour that promise, but it will be a full council decision. Councillor Packham reports that this decision was decided last week and they are now considering whether they will deduct the percentage of the Govt. cuts to this payment. **Clerk to write and state we reserve the right to change our Precept request if/when this is settled.**

ii) **Complaint regarding Dog Fouling Kirkgate.**

Evidently this is horrendous from the Social Services office to Sir Johns Lane area. **Clerk to report to District Council and ask Dog Warden to attend our next meeting. (Councillor Packham would let us have details.)**

Items for next agenda:

- a) **Gascoigne Wood site** - Councillor Doherty felt this should be kept on agenda.
- b) **Community Action Plan** - Chairman asked all Councillors to consider this and what they want to see for the future of this village. We are then in a position to deal with things as they happen instead of having them dropped on us.