

**Minutes of the Amotherby Parish Council Meeting held remotely
on Monday 8th February 2021 at 7.00 pm**

Members Present: Cllr. Nigella Ballard
Cllr. Paul Simpson
Cllr. Rob Welch
Cllr R Brown
Cllr D Skilbeck.

In Attendance: The Clerk and one member of the public.

1. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.
None
2. To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's Code of Conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.
None
3. To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 14th & 29th December 2020 as true and correct records.
Confirmed and signed.
4. To receive information on any ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary.
 - 4.1. To report any updates on planning enforcement matters.
Someone had been spotted on the roof of the old reservoir. Enforcement Officer has confirmed that he has made no progress on the case and he is waiting to have a meeting with the owner.
 - 4.2. Parking – any additional information.
School being closed means problem reduced at present. Cllr Burr has confirmed a meeting with Highways will take place on site with representatives of the Parish Council present, when the school re-opens.
5. To consider and decide upon the following planning applications:-
None received
6. To receive the following planning decisions/information:-
No planning decisions have been received for some months. Clerk to contact RDC.
7. Matters requested by councillors and other business
 - 7.1. To approve updated Cemetery fees.
Proposed fees had been circulated to Cllrs, together with those currently in use and the Diocesan fees table. It had previously been agreed to keep in line with Diocesan fees but this was not done last year, so this was the first increase since 2019. The updated fees were approved.
 - 7.2. To decide on contractor for Cemetery grasscutting for 2021.
Agreed that as Moorswork very unlikely to be able to carry out grass cutting this year that KD Frank Landscapes who had taken on the job last year be asked to do the same this year. Cuts to be once per month, starting in April, up until September. Clerk to email to this effect and confirm the charges. Dates for cuts to be finalised later.
 - 7.3. To consider info on joining Neighbourhood Watch
Old Neighbourhood Watch had fallen down so needs to be started from scratch again. Agreed that the Parish Council Clerk would act as the first point of contact and could use the existing village email system to forward messages. Need an additional two or three volunteers from the village, to assist in passing messages to those not on email system. Message to be sent out asking for these when signed up.
 - 7.4. Report from YLCA meeting 2 Feb.
Chairman had attended the remote meeting. YLCA are offering support for new Clerks, this is a two hour training session. There will be a virtual conference in April.

Consultation to begin later this month about the unitary council plans. This had previously been discussed and agreed that the District Council's proposed East-West option would be preferable to the NYCC option as it would remain more 'local'.

- 7.5. To consider info received on Hovingham-Malton Path for Everyone and decide on what help could be given.

The Parish Council had previously supported this in principle. It was agreed that more details of the ideas the consultants have are needed and plans for the whole route need to be seen so that pros and cons can be looked at.

The question of the route through Amotherby towards Appleton was discussed - whether to use the existing path along the B1257 or the footpath below the school across the fields.

Along the road is initially considered to be a better option than through the fields in Amotherby as these are privately owned and there would be problems with getting it agreed. No final decision can be made until the design as a whole has been viewed.

Emails and leaflets would be the best way to inform and consult residents.

8. Financial matters

- 8.1. To approve the following accounts for payment:

8.1.1. Repayment to Clerk for printer ink - £26.98 - agreed (chq no.842)

8.1.2. Invoice 12480 from Vision ICT - £150 for website hosting and support April 2021-March 2023 - agreed (chq no.843)

8.1.3. Invoice 12425 from Vision ICT - £78 for biennial domain name renewal April 2021-March 2023 - agreed (chq no.844)

- 8.2. To report payments made under delegated powers.

None made

- 8.3. To note any payments received.

None received

- 8.4. To receive a current bank reconciliation - £5368.46 as at 31 December. Not received January statement.

9. To consider the following new correspondence received and decide action where necessary

9.1. YLCA – Local elections 6th May are proposed to take place in the Parish Hall. A risk assessment will need to be conducted by the District Council prior to this.

Training bulleting February and March. – no training planned.

9.2. Community First Yorkshire News – My Community website collaboration, supporting local businesses, 'Ask for Ani' – domestic abuse support provision during the pandemic.

9.3. Open Covid-19 meeting with Kevin Hollinrake MP - 19 February 2021 at 6pm.

9.4. Any late correspondence.

Email received regarding the review of the RDC - Statement of Community Involvement has been sent to Cllrs. Comments to be sent to the Clerk for reply by 1 March.

Cones have been placed at the bottom of Meadowfield, they were only supposed to be there for two days, they are still there. They are apparently there in relation to work on drainage.

10. To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

11. To confirm the date of the next meeting.

8th March at 7pm