

## Minutes of Newton le Willows Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

**Present:** Councillors L Ryder, V Wilthew, J Bell, T Clarkson and parish clerk T Sanderson

**Also present:** Councillor R Ormston and 5 members of the public

1. There were no '**apologies for absence**'.
2. Councillor L Ryder **declared an interest** in setting one of the figures of the precept (St Patrick's churchyard donation).
3. The **minutes** of the Parish Council meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 were signed and approved. The minutes will no longer be read out at the meetings as they are available to view on noticeboards and the website ahead of the meeting.
4. **Matters arising:**
  - **Fly tipping** – this had been reported by Councillor R Ormston in an effort to chase it up. The Environment reported back to him that this had not been reported and gave him an incident report number (191104/JF17). This was not the expected response, as communication has been received since the matter first happened in November 2016.  
**Action:** the clerk will try and clarify this matter before the next meeting.
  - **Street lighting** – a new light has been installed on Station Road to replace the one that was removed about 18 months ago. It had been removed by Northern Power Grid as it was one of theirs and had rotted. However, RDC had not been informed by them that this had happened. The new light is a modern LED one and will be switched off at night.
  - **Defibrillator** – this is now fully functional again. A replacement battery was installed. T Clarkson had been instrumental in finding the appropriate supplier of this, which the clerk then purchased and replaced. Dates of when the battery and pads will be kept by the clerk to try and minimise disruption to this service in the future. Appropriate checks to the defibrillator will be carried out on a regular basis by the Parish Council.
5. **Reports from:**
  - **Village Hall Trustees** – the last meeting was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> October and was the AGM and ordinary meeting. Annual accounts were submitted. Total income for the year was £15972.82 whilst total expenditure for the year was £8839.26. This gives an overall profit of £7133.56. The Green Room continues to be the main income source at 58% and Hall Hire bringing in 17%. A very generous donation was received this year which was the equivalent of 12.5% of income. Election of Trustees took place with the following being elected: Janet Handley (WI); Helen Audritt (Climate Change); Steven Coombs (NLW Cricket Club);

Johnnie Johnson (St Patricks Church); Russ Batley (NLW Choir); Derek Stratton (Patrick Brompton Parish Council); Chris Audritt (Green Room); Teresa Sanderson (Newton News); Stephan Hodges (Co-opted); Peter Olsen (Co-opted) and Jean Brown (Co-opted). At the ordinary meeting Stephen Hodges was elected chairman, Teresa as treasurer and Helen as Secretary (minutes and bookings). Plans are now being drawn up for the extension following a meeting on site and should be available at the next VH meeting (11 November). Unfortunately, the clothing bank is not viable to the business that supplied it, so it will be removed unless an alternative company can be found who are prepared to take it over. The calendar is now being produced and should be available to buy soon. Next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> November.

- **Atkinson and Clarke Educational Trust** – met on the 30<sup>th</sup> September. Discussed risk policies and finances, including a grant application for a ramp. The next meeting will be the 18<sup>th</sup> November.

## 6. Specific matters:

- **Speeding issues** – we are currently waiting for the speed signs to be moved and relevant markings painted in the road. The faint painted road signs have been reported with a view to them being repainted. It was reported that Crakehall Parish Council have approval to purchase and install a vehicle activated sign (VAS). We are still unsure if we would benefit from one due to lack of appropriate sighting of it in the parish. Once the speed signs have been moved, we will assess whether this is another route that should be pursued. Another alternative that was mentioned was chicanes although this presented its own issues – yellow lines might be needed and the road restriction would prevent combine harvesters being able to come through some areas of the parish.

**Action:** the clerk will contact both Hackforth to see how they are proceeding with their speeding issues and Crakehall to see if we could potentially join them with a VAS.

- **Playground** – a new quote was obtained by V Wilthew and presented at this meeting. It was accepted and work will commence shortly if possible (weather conditions permitting).

- **Precept** – an initial discussion took place with some figures being agreed upon. It will be discussed again at the next meeting.

**Action:** clerk to check some additional figures and circulate them to all councillors ahead of the next meeting.

- **Future joint meeting with Patrick Brompton Parish Council** – this council had been approached by the Chairman of Patrick Brompton parish council to discuss matters that affect the parishes. A joint meeting was agreed in principle.

**Action:** L Ryder will contact the Chairman to arrange a date for a joint meeting.

## 7. Planning Decisions:

- **18/00477/OUT** – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved for two detached bungalows at land adjoining The Sidings, Station Road, Newton le Willows, Bedale, North Yorkshire DL8 1TB **GRANTED**.
- **19/00282/FULL** Full Planning Permission for Removal of Derelict Outhouses and Installation of 6 No Single Garages with Tarmacked Parking in Front with 2 No Parking Spaces Per Garage (Amended by Plans Received 15 July 2019) **GRANTED**. It was agreed that we may need to monitor increased traffic on the road leading up to this development as it is not a fully tarmacked road.

## 8. Financial matters:

- **Approval for payment** of replacement defibrillator battery £228 was granted.
- A **discussion** took place as to the implications of **NatWest request** to close the liquidity account. It was agreed that this account could be closed and monies would be transferred to the Barclays account.  
**Action:** the clerk will complete the relevant paperwork.

## 9. Notes:

- **Highways** – Councillor R Ormston had reported potholes in the road outside Bridge House on Station Road. It was felt that it also needed to be reported by the Parish Council. Drainage issues were also noted on this stretch of road which could be passed on to NYCC.  
**Action:** the clerk will report this to NYCC highways.
- **Woodlands Trust** – an email had been circulated shortly before this meeting by the clerk. The Woodlands Trust is offering free trees for publicly owned land. At the time of the meeting no land had been identified for this purpose although it was agreed this was a project we would like to be involved with if possible.
- **Parked cars** – at either side of the bridge on Station Road are causing some visibility issues. It was requested that parishioners should be mindful of this when they park.

**10. Items** for the next agenda will include Precept, vacancy, drainage

**11. Date** for the next meeting will be Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm

**The meeting was declared closed at 7.50pm**