

# **BRAMHOPE & CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at the Robert Craven Memorial Hall on 22 April 2015 at 7.30pm**

### **PRESENT**

Chairman: Denis Johnson

Councillors : Hilary Harris, Joan Wood, Amanda Lawrence, Diane Fox, Simon Cooper, Rob Haswell, Martin Fogel, Peter Lawson, Billy Flynn, John Howard

Kate Fraser (Clerk)

### **60/15 APOLOGIES**

1.

There were apologies from Cllrs Marion Rider, Anna Hollings

### **61/15 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST OR OTHER INTERESTS**

2.

There were no declarations.

### **62/15 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2015**

3.

The minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr Wood, seconded by Cllr Fox and signed by the Chairman.

### **63/15 MATTERS ARISING**

4.

The owner of a shop at The Parade had indicated her willingness to take responsibility for the red telephone kiosk if the Parish Council were to adopt it.

### **64/15 UPDATE FROM SAFER COMMUNITIES TEAM**

5.

There had been a number of thefts from unsecured vehicles in the area.

A speed survey was to be conducted on Kings Road to see if a change in road markings might reduce vehicle speed. The officer raised the usefulness of speed indicator devices. A request was made for a speed patrol to be carried out on Breary Lane.

### **65/15 CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE**

6.

Councillors were reminded that they should return the Election Expense form even though no expenses had been incurred

### **66/15 CLERK'S REPORT**

7.

The Clerk had attended a meeting between residents and Leeds City Council at Rosemont flats at which possible schemes for the refurbishment/rebuilding of the site were presented. The three options involved either refurbishment of the existing building, refurbishment of half of the existing building with demolition of the rest and that area being sold off as two building plots or complete demolition and rebuilding of a new complex. The last option was the preference of Leeds City Council and the residents were in general agreement. Residents were given

assurances that they would have first priority in being allocated units in the new building but would have to be relocated during the build period.

Councillors agreed to Newstead and Walker, solicitors, representing them in the renewal of a lease at the Recreation Ground with Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) Ltd.

Councillors agreed to accept the Service Provision provided by YLCA. However the usefulness of continuing to subscribe to this organisation was discussed and will be reassessed when the annual subscription is due.

Equipment that had appeared on several lampposts around The Cross area is the supply equipment for the Christmas Lights.

A s106 application has been submitted for funding of the new path through Jubilee Copse.

## **67/15 CORRESPONDENCE**

**8.**

- Correspondence from Newstead and Walker (see 66/16)
- Service agreement from YLCA (see 66/16)

## **68/15 UPDATE ON SUMMER FESTIVAL**

**9.**

A classical concert will be held on July 4<sup>th</sup> at St Giles church

The WI has agreed to provide refreshments following the History Walk on June 28<sup>th</sup>

## **69/15 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**10.**

A planning meeting had been held attended by Cllrs Howard, Harris, Fox and Fogel. The venue and lay out will be as in previous years. The programme will emphasise the activities of the Parish Council in the previous year and its plans for the coming year. Cllr Haswell agreed to give a presentation on recent housing plans for Bramhope.

It was agreed that the meeting was a suitable occasion to conduct a straw poll to gauge residents' feelings on the use of Parish Council funds to pay for legal representation at the hearing in to the Miller Homes application for housing at Breary Lane East. Councillors were of the view that the Parish Council should have legal representation (in written form) but that representation by barristers could only be financed by asking for funds from the community.

A budget of £200 for the meeting was agreed

## **70/15 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

**11.**

**11.1** An arithmetic error had been found in the draft budget approved at the March meeting resulting in an increase in budgeted expenditure. The corrected budget was approved.

**11.2** Approval of the schedule of payments was proposed by Cllr Cooper, seconded by Cllr Harris and agreed by all. The Clerk asked for approval for two additional payments to the schedule - £214.20 to Leeds City Council and £1090 to Thistleprint

## **71/15 PLANNING AND ENFORCEMENT**

**12**

### **12.1 Planning Issues**

The report from the Planning Group was ratified.

### **12.2 Enforcement Issues**

There were no new issues.

## **72/15 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE GROUP**

**13.**

**13.1** The minutes of the group of 10 March 2015 were approved. The impact of the loss of one football team on Council income was queried. It was suggested that the reduction in income will be balanced by a reduction in expenditure due to less wear and tear on the pitch.

## **73/15 COMMUNICATIONS GROUP REPORT**

**14.**

The Spring issue of the newsletter was now available for delivery.

## **74/15 LEEDS CITY COUNCIL UPDATE**

**15.**

There was nothing to report.

## **75/15 CARLTON VILLAGE REPORT**

**16.**

There was no report.

## **76/15 LIAISON GROUPS**

**17.**

### **17.1 RCMH**

A dance is planned for 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

### **17.2 BRAMHOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

There was nothing to report

### **17.3 AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE**

The Parish Council's membership of the committee had been confirmed but may be withdrawn if there are two successive failures to attend.

The Development Plan is still awaited.

Work starts on the A65/A658 Link Road starts this month with completion due in 2021

The Harrogate Electrification scheme has a real prospect of gaining approval in the 2019/2014 spending round.

## **77/15 PARISH ISSUES**

**18.**

Cllr Haswell reported that the manhole covers on the south side of Leeds Road appeared to have been refurbished and it was hoped that this would improve the flood problems that occur in this area at times.

Cllr Wood commented on the improved appearance of the area at the Knoll.

Cllr Lawrence asked Cllr Flynn if he could again have action taken on the blocked gullies on the Creskelds

Cllr Cooper announced a meeting to discuss the future of the red telephone kiosks in the parish on Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Cllr Fox reported that gullies on Breary Lane also required clearing.

## **78/15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**19.**

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be Wednesday 27 May 2015. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

The meeting closed at 8.35pm