#### **BIRSTWITH PARISH COUNCIL**

#### Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28th October 2021 at 7.15 pm

Present:E March (Chairman) J Elvidge C Packer M Worsnop J Worsnop (Clerk) County Cllr<br/>Michael Harrison District Cllr Tom Watson

APOLOGIES: D Fisher and R Houseman

#### Declaration of interest: None

To receive parishioners' questions - None

**Minutes** - It was proposed by M Worsnop and seconded by E March and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23rd September 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman with one amendment

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – The road surface outside the Doctors Surgery now been referred to the Legal team and action will be taken against the Utility Companies involved. No date has been given. The footpath outside the Surgery has not yet been installed by the developer further investigation needed as to whether NY Highways will adopt the footpath and road to West House Gardens. Tim Simpson dealing with the 30 mph signs. Gully cleaning delayed due to breakdown of machinery, shortage of staff etc. The CC has sent out a tender to help them catch up, new wagons have been bought some to include high pressure hosing and this should help them get on top of the problem. Still awaiting response from Central Government re: new boundaries. White lining limited due to budget restrictions

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Complaints have been received regarding the slow turn round of Planning Applications. The reasons being higher volume of applications, greater turn round of staff, using Agency staff and people working from home. More leisure centres are now open including the new Ripon complex. The question of why new business premises do not have legal requirements to fit Solar panels and often only use single glazed windows etc is because there is no Government Legistation to enforce it.

### **UPDATES:**

**Playground:** The annual inspection report has now been received there are few minor problems to be resolved. The Chairman and J Elvidge have this in hand

**Highways:** see Michael's report above. It was proposed by M Worsnop seconded by J Elvidge that the stone column opposite Grosvenor House School entrance should be repaired by Backhouse Bros at a cost of  $\pounds 388$ 

**Letter from Area 6 Boroughbridge Highways re various highway problems** – Michael Harrison asked for the letter to be sent to him to follow up.

**Sandbags:** We have now been supplied with some water proof bags which will enable us to refill the old ones. Cllr Watson kindly offered to lend us his sandbag filling machine. We just need one or two willing volunteers to help

**Debris under the river bridge:** The emergency environment team have attended the site and cut the logs into smaller sections which are now floating down the river. The archway needs clearing of debris to allow water to flow uninterrupted and this would stop a lot of the flooding which residents in Broomfield suffer each year. A meeting has been arrange with Yorkshire Water to discuss the matter.

**Car Park:** The clerk reported she had sent letters and photographs to Glenn Levison regarding the possible sale of the village car park but has had no reply to date **Grass verge and tree cutting:** Some of the grass verges and trees has been cut back but there is still a little more to be done before winter

Alterations to PA: In reply to our enquiry we have been informed that applications of a non-material minor amendment is not something which is based on planning policy, and therefore, Parish Councils are not normally consulted. AS we wish to monitor such applications we are going to use the Alerts system on Public Access

Christmas Tree Lights: M Worsnop agreed to check the lights were in order prior Christmas turn on BIB – Change of use of Community Garden: To be discussed at November meeting

proposed by E March seconded by M Worsnop

## A/c's approved for payment:

Harrogate BC	Play Area annual inspection	chq 190	72.00
St James's Church	Room Hire	chq 191	20.00
<b>Richard Langley</b>	Strim/removing branches nr control signs	chq 192	75.00
HBC	Annual rent for garage Broomfield	DD	60.00
British Gas	Electricity a/c	DD	8.82
HBC	Rent for Notice Board	DD	15.00
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> instalment of Precept received</b> - £5,250			
Transfer of £8,000 from Current a/c to Deposit			

## **Planning Applications:**

**Proposed detached out building forming storage and garden/cart shed** 6.91.117.K.FUL 21/03949/FUL Grange Farm Sleights Lane High Birstwith - **No observations Erection of a single storey side extension and conversion of existing attached carport to form additional bedroom, installation of package treatment plant** 6.91.130.E.FUL 21/03958/FUL Holly Garth Swalewood Lane High Birstwith HG3 2JN – **No observations Erection of stable, feed and hay storage building** 6.91.280.FUL 21/04278/FUL Land comprising field at 423113 459025 High Birstwith – **No observations Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) to allow for internal and external alterations to barn 2 of planning permission 20/04856/FUL – conversion and extension of two agricultural buildings to form two dwellings with associated alterations and gardens 6.91.276.H.DVCON** 21/04209/DVCON Hew Green Farm High Birstwith HG3 2JL – **Over development of already** 

### approved plans

Variation of Condition 2 plannig permission 18/01528/FULMAJ to include the attached larger garage to plot 16 etc etc 6.91.273.F.DVCMAJ 21/04124/DVCMAJ West House Gardens residential development Clint Bank – Observations over intensive development Demolition of conservatory, erection of garden room and detached car port -6.91.142.I.FUL 21/04306/FUL Bell House High Birstwith HG3 2JQ –No observations

# **Planning Permission Granted**

**Erection of stables with agricultural store.** Creation of new access to include a new drive and the installation of a gate – The Old Chapel Sleights Lane High Birstwith - Granted subject to conditions

**Change of use of agricultural land to form extension to caravan park with no increase in unit numbers** – Reynard Crag Holiday Park Reynard Crag Lane HighBirstwith – **Granted subject to conditions** 

## **Planning Enforcements:**

**Converting garage into office space with stairs and sky lights** – Grange Farm High Birstwith HG3 2JT – **Outcome: The agricultural building is in the process of being converted into a home office. This is a breach of planning which the owners would not be supported and may result in Enforcement Action update will be given later**  **Roof extension adding two bedrooms and bathroom** – 14 Collin Spring Court Birstwith HG3 3LN – **Outcome: Roof dormer is permitted development as per Schedule 2 Class B of the General Pemitted Development order 2015 (as amended) No further action to be taken** 

<u>Planning Appeal:</u> Mr G Douglas Hew Green Swarcliffe Top High Birstwith Conversion of cow shed to form a single dwelling

Correspondence: Respect & Protect covid Campaign Signage - sent to PC.s

Date of next meeting Wednesday 24th November 2021 because of Election

Signed

Dated