Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held in the Reading Room on Thursday 23rd June 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** E March D Fisher C Packer P Trewhitt M Worsnop Dist. Cllr Tom Watson County Cllr Nathan Hull & J Worsnop (Clerk)

**APOLOGIES:** R Houseman

To: receive any declarations of interest: None

To receive Parishioners questions – None

**MINUTES** - It was proposed by D Fisher and seconded by M Worsnop with an amendment to Tom Watson's report which should have read 1560 police officers and not 156 and it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the AGM Meeting held in the Reading Room on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT - He had contacted Chris Blackburn Area 6 Highways regarding the pinch point on Wreaks Road and had sent him a map showing him the problems. However he was on holiday this week but Nathan will follow up on his return and hopefully meet him at the site. Nathan thought one solution might be 20 mph signs from the pinch point to the school and possibly double yellow lines to stop vehicles parking outside the playground and tennis courts. He stated the re-organisation of the boundaries would have a lot of teething problems. Harrogate Greenway proposals are under way to continue the track up to Pateley Bridge. In principle he thought it was a good idea and some landowners were in favour and some not. He stated if the track went ahead the funding would not be coming out of Council Tax payments. When HBC ceases - licensing will be standardised for taxis etc but hopefully a development plan for N Yorks will be put in place. When the new boundaries come into force our Planning Committee may well be run from Skipton. There would also be an election to appoint a Mayor for NYCC and York CC and we will loose our present Crime Commissioner she would be redundant.

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – The AGM of HBC was held on  $23^{rd}$  May and the new mayor is Councillor Victoria Oldham she will stand for a one year term before HBC is abolished next April. Staffing figures at HBC in 2018/2019 were 1127 and 2020/2021 were 889 Tom asked for a break down to see which departments had decreased substantially and is awaiting a reply. Another concerning factor was that the age of workers under 21 amounted to 2/3% and 51-60 & over were 35%. The PC are to inform Martin Green who looks after the defibulator boxes in the village that he can obtain new batteries and pads through windfarm micro grants.

## **Updates Regarding the following**

PlayArea: Park Lane Playgrounds have carried out an inspection of the play equipment for a cost of £66 no problems were found. We are still awaiting a reply from EIBE re: repairs to the tower as we understand it is still under warranty. There is also a slight problem with the roof structure. The councillors' were asked if any of them would be willing to undertake a weekly inspection of the equipment and Paul offered his services.

Highways: Darley Road has been resurfaced recently. Still no further forward with resurfacing outside the Doctors Surgery. The pinch point see under Nathan's report

**BIB** It was proposed by M Worsnop seconded by C Packer that David Fisher be our representative on the BIB Committee. A small new shed is proposed behind Broomfield garages close to the compost bins to house the lawn mower etc. It was questioned what permission had been obtained.

Grass Cutting: Verges had been cut and Richard Langley agreed to cut in front of village signs monthly during the summer months

**Bus Shelter** – The Chairman, David Fisher and the clerk had a site visit to the bus shelter at Elton Top to do a formal inspection. It's condition was not as back as originally thought so quotes are being sought to improve it's appearance and a grant from the Windfarm is in progress.

**Litter Bins** D Fisher and his wife produced a detailed plan of the placement of where we required the litter bins and the clerk forwarded the information to HBC still awaiting a reply.

Nidderdale Plus - The Chairman handed out several leaflets to Councillors regarding the services offered by

Nidderdale Plus. They have just bought a new mini bus which they will hire out to small groups as well as offering return taxi services to hospitals etc and will wait and bring you home. They also have a delivery prescription service and have opened a Charity Shop in the High Street Pateley.

## Accounts approved for payment proposed by D Fisher seconded by C Packer

W E Benson	Verge mowing	Chq	654.00
J Worsnop	Q 2 salary + backdated increase in salary,		
	Exps and office	Chq	688.21
<b>British Gas</b>	Elec a/c Apr to May	DD	13.89
<b>British Gas</b>	Elec a/c May to June	DD	14.36
Richard Langley	Village Caretaker	Chq	82.50
VAT refund	Received £535.68		
Transfer	from current a/c to Deposit A/c £3000		

## **Planning Applications:**

Erection of single storey rear extension and first floor extension. Alterations to front bay window. Alterations to carport. Engineering works to alter existing rear terrace (amended plans received) 6.91.38.G.FUL21/04529/FUL Grasmere House High Lane Birstwith HG3 2BF – **Observations: Over intensive development in the AONB** 

The replacement of 5 windows and 1 door to the front elevation of West House with single glazed units 6.91.136.W.LB 22/02034/LB West House Farm Nidd Lane to West House Farm and Clint Cottage Birstwith HG3 3AW – No Observations

**Planning Enforcement:** David Holmes Properties Ltd West House Gardens Residential Development Clint Bank Birstwith – Case number 22/00206/BRPC15 – Potential breach of condition 13- 21/04124/DVCMAJ (bank holiday working)

## Correspondence: burnt

Email from Birstwith School - Rumors had been circulating that the Executive Head Teacher of Birstwith/Burnt Yates Schools would be taking on Felliscliffe as well. The situation about the schools is that NYCC asked the Governors to agree to a temporary part-time secondment to some local schools who needed some support. The Governors agreed but the arrangement will finish at the end of July. Victoria remains fully committed to our two schools.

Nidderdale Herald article re: grass verge cutting – some of you may have read the article from a local resident in a recent edition of the Nidderdale Herald regarding the mowing of verges and her disapproval. It stated that last year a letter had been written to their local Parish Council regarding this matter but had not received a reply. On investigation it turned out that this letter had been sent to our neighbouring Parish Council and it was not past on to us.

**Collin Spring Court** is Planning Permission required to build a car port? Because this would not be within domestic curtilage of one of the dwellings it would be viewed as development not benefiting from permitted development rights and as such Planning Permission would be required

The meeting closed at 9 pm

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Date of	next	meeting	28tn	July	2022

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