

BIRSTWITH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held in the Reading Room on Thursday 1st August 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: E March D Fisher R Houseman P Trewwhitt M Worsnop & J Worsnop (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: C Packer

To: receive any declarations of interest: None

To receive Parishioners questions – None

MINUTES - It was proposed by D Fisher and seconded by M Worsnop and it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting held in the Reading Room on 27th June be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT - No report in his absence

Updates on the following:

Playground – Quotes are still being sought for fencing and equipment to extend the play area. Chain link fencing was thought to be a good idea for the boundary to the mill field but it may well be too expensive.

Once definite quotes are received we will approach Kerrys to see if they will support this venture

Highways – Giant Hogg Weed is still a problem on Lackon Bank the clerk contacted Environmental Health to see if they will arrange for its removal but no reply too date. The village caretaker will also be asked whether he has a licence for knapsack spraying. No further communication from NY Highways re: Wreaks Road traffic problems. It was also noted that a bollard outside Cobblers Cottage needs reinstating.

No further action on footpath outside Doctors Surgery still awaiting response from Nathan

Grass Cutting: Village caretaker to cut the verges around Clapham Green at the end of August.

BIB – Will look into trimming back the bushes on the roundabout and cutting the saplings down at the bottom of Lackon Bank. The Chairman to communicate with Ben Holmes regarding the trees at Collin Bank which are on his land

Birstwith the Hampsthwaite footpath – on hold awaiting to hear from HPC.

Greenway Questionnaire Survey: Being compiled at present and will be placed in the Post Office, Doctors Surgery and the pub with their consent it will also be on line. This survey will hopefully give an idea as to who is interested in this going any further forward

Accounts to be paid proposed by R Houseman seconded by M Worsnop all in favour

Richard Langley Village Caretaker chq 294 80.00

British Gas Electricity a/c 6.06.24 – 5.07.24 DD 14.82

Deposit a/c and Current a/c + Playground a/c: The PC will cease trading with Virgin Bank and are transferring all funds to Lloyds Bank proposed by R Houseman seconded by D Fisher asap all were in favour

Planning Applications:

Change of use of Agricultural Land to Domestic Garden – 6.91.276.M.FUL ZC24/02052/FUL Hew Green Farm High Birstwith HG3 2JL – **No observations**

Section 73 application for the variation of condition 2 (approved drawings) of planning permission ZC23/03 777/FUL etc Hew Green Farm as above. **Arrived too late to go on agenda Observations: Any further alterations would be over development**

Erection of first floor over pool hall and conversion of garage to form incidental additional accommodation including the formation of external balcony 6.91.55.R.FUL ZC24/02502/FUL The Old Chapel Stock Stile Lane High Birstwith HG3 2JE **Arrived too late to go on agenda Observation: Over development of site**

Planning Application Refused: Works to trees subject to Tree Preservation Order No 71/2007 W1

7 Collin Spring Court – reason for refusal trees are healthy specimens which add to the visual amenity of the area

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Next meeting: 26th September 2024

Signed:

Dated

