

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting held on Thursday 27th February 2020 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room

Present: E March (Chairman) J Elvidge D Fisher R Houseman C Packer M Worsnop
J Worsnop (Clerk) District Councillor Tom Watson + 1 visitor

- 1 **APOLOGIES:** County Councillor Michael Harrison
- 2 **Matthew Haddock the new Kerry Plant Manager** was welcomed to the meeting by our Chairman. Matthew stated the Kerry Group is a global leader in taste and nutrition serving the food, beverage and pharmaceutical industries. And a leading supplier of added value brands and customer branded foods to the Irish, UK and select international markets. He is very interested in getting involved with the village and is looking to reduce the carbon footprint and hopefully in the future offer apprenticeships. He has offered a tour of his site to the Parish Councillors
- 3 **To receive parishioners questions:** None
- 4 **Declaration of interest:** D Fisher PA Park Lodge, C Packer PA West House Farm and M Worsnop PA Clapham Green Farm
- 5 **Minutes** - It was proposed by D Fisher and seconded by C Packer and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23rd January 2020 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman
- 6 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – No report in his absence
- 7 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Dist. Cllr Tom Watson talked about Community Housing. £582,830 had been allocated to Harrogate on a Nationwide incentive but land would have to be available in order for monies to be allocated. Sand Bags – Ian Spiers Emergency Planning Officer kindly arranged at short notice for a delivery of additional sand bags and a thank you letter will be sent to him. The Chairman, Dist Cllr Tom Watson and David Holmes had a meeting to discuss the footpath along Clint Bank Road. It was proposed that dropped kerbs be placed on both sides of the entrance to Collin Spring Court. The footpath opposite the Doctors Surgery to be diverted behind the electricity sub station to avoid pedestrians walking around the dangerous corner and a dropped kerb across Clint Bank to the Doctors Surgery
- 8 **UPDATES REGARDING:**

Play Area: Gate hinge still pending better weather. Liz Elvidge has kindly agreed to apply to the Wind Farm for a small grant towards the cost of replacing the entrance path to the playground.

Highway Matters: Monitoring form completed for the bus stop base on Darley Road. Darley Road flooding had been reported together with problems on Nidd Lane & Wreaks Road. Gullies and drain problems will be referred to County Cllr Michael Harrison for his attention. NYCC will not all the PC to place bollards outside Greenwood House but say they will monitor the situation. Re-siting of the Birstwith sign on Clint Bank has been requested by David Holmes he needs to forward detailed plans to the PC relating to this matter before seeking Highway approval

Sand Bags – availability from garage store behind Broomfield list of key holders is posted on the notice board. Some maintenance repairs need doing to the garage

Knabs Ridge Wind Farm – The meeting Tom Watson is going to attend will now be held later in the year

Closure of Dacre Banks Surgery – The clerk wrote six letters relating to the closure of the Practice. The Nidderdale Group Practice said our letter will be forwarded to the Partners and Daniel Harry Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager wrote back saying the Nidderdale Group Practice have been advised by the CCG to undertake further public and patient engagement. The changes could come into effect by April 2021

- 9 **Accounts approved for payment proposed by R Houseman seconded by M Worsnop all in favour**
British Gas Elec a/c DD £9.11
- 10 **Birstwith School Clock** – Proposed by M Worsnop seconded by D Fisher that the Smith of Derby contract for the next three years to service the Birstwith School Clock be accepted at £496.00 + VAT
- 11 **Website content and accessibility to meet regulations by 23rd September 2020** – It was proposed D Fisher seconded by R Houseman that Visionict should write the Accessibility Statement for us and place it in the footer of our website at a cost of £45 + VAT
- 12 **Planning Applications:**
Erection of first floor extension, internal alterations, alterations to fenestration and adjustment to drive turning area 6.91.155.B.FUL 20/00370/FUL Hillside, Clint Bank, Birstwith HG3 3AL – **Observations: this site has a stream running through it and is subject to flooding the problem needs sorting out before further development takes place**
Repositioning of entrance wall, drive and dropped kerb from east boundary to west boundary 6.91.59.N.FUL 20/00119/FUL Clapham Green Farm High Birstwith HG3 2JD – **No observations**
Demolition of existing garage and workshop, erection of replacement garage and workshop 6.91.185.C.FUL 20/00450/FUL Park Lodge The Allotments Birstwith HG3 2NQ – **No observations**
- West House Farm Birstwith 19/05070/FUL & 19/05067/LB** – request to go to full planning meeting has been denied as is outside the 21 day period therefore the application will be determined under officer delegated powers in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation.
- PA Decision:** Smithy Farm Clapham Green Birstwith **Approved subject to conditions**
16 Collin Spring Court Birstwith – **Approved subject to conditions**
Marton House Emmet Lane High Birstwith – **Approved subject conditions**
- 13 **Correspondence -**
HBC – Bulbs/wildflower scheme - accepted offer of snowdrops. Contact HBC next year as correspondence will no longer be sent out
The Pension Regulator – Re-declaration a legal duty as an employer. Clerk to deal with
NYCC – Consultation on a new policy on developer contributions for education (parishes)
Document forwarded to PC's no action to be taken
Sustrans – Clerk to contact re: dates for possible meeting

Date of next meeting 26th March 2020

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed

Dated