

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL Held on Monday 27th November 2023 At Leeming Village Hall, Leeming

Present

Parish Councillors: Cllr C Capel; Cllr O Robinson; Cllr A Bowes; Cllr K Temple;

Cllr F Stead

County Councillor: Cllr J Weighell

Clerk / Others: S Nicholson (Clerk); 3 Resident

Item Ref Detail

23/24

78) Welcome and Apologies

The Vice-Chair opened this meeting and welcomed everyone due to the absence of the Chair.

Apologies accepted from:

- Cllr M Curry
- Police

79) Public Session

A resident stated that there were still problems with HGV coming through the village. The Clerk stated that Highways are requesting times that the vehicles are cutting through the village and if residents can let her know she will forward that information to North Yorkshire Council Highways.

80) Declarations of Interest

Nothing declared.

81) Minutes

1. Minutes

Consideration of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 23rd October 2023.

Minutes Proposed – Cllr K Temple Seconded – Cllr A Bowes Approved and agreed.

2. Matters Arising

Nothing that was not on the agenda or completed.

82) Councillors / Clerk Matters

1. Vacancies

The Vice-Chair confirmed that the parish still has one vacancy for a Co-Opted Councillor.

2. Meeting Dates

Councillors confirmed that dates for the parish meetings would always be on the last Monday of the month unless it clashed with either a Bank Holidays or the parish was made aware they would not be quorum.

83) External Sector Reports

1. Police Report

A Police Report had been sent to the parish by PC Heather Lees prior to the meeting.

Councillors discussed the information provided and the consensus was that the details given made absolutely no sense to the parish. The figures are for various parishes and therefore councillors were unable to distinguish if the parish had any issues or if these related to another parish.

Action: Report to the Police and the Police Crime Commissioner.

2. County Council

The Vice Chair stated that Councillors had been made aware of a consultation date on Tuesday 5th Dec.

Cllr JW reported:

- North Yorkshire Council does not have a local plan but are working towards one which is why consultation is being sort from various stakeholders during December.
- At present NYC are still using the Hambleton Local Plan within this area.
- NYC financial status is sound and wanted residents to be aware of this due to the number of authorities in England that are getting into serious financial problems.
- Budgets are at present under discussion with Council Tax being capped at 5% which will mean some cutbacks in various areas.

84) Parish Council Reports

1. Dog Stiles

The Vice-Chair stated that the originally contractor had been contacted and he was planning a site visit, weather permitting, to see if the stile could be altered to have the holding post on the opposite side.

2. Emergency Exit parking on Dere Street

The Clerk stated that she had received a communication from Highways England and confirmed their stance and actions they are hoping to achieve.

There was a discussion with the following suggestions that councillors requested are forwarded to Highways England:

- Yellow box the whole area
- Move the gates to encompass that whole area!
- Bollards

Action: Send info to Highways England

3. Noticeboard Exelby

The Clerk stated that delivery is expected to be 4/.6 weeks and has been arranged directly to go to Pete Hart to install.

4. Calming in Exelby Village

Cllr KT reported:

 There have been several issues with vehicles speeding up and down the village. This is causing concern as there are several children in the village that play in the area. A suggestion was if Highways could put up signs staying children playing, this may remind drives to reduce their speed.

Action: Clerk to report issue to Highways

5. Bus stop / Buses for Exelby

Cllr KT reported:

- 1. School Bus
 - A map showing where the school children must stand to catch the school bus to Bedale. Unfortunately, the children are being requested to stand on the road as there is no footpath and this is not where the Bus stop is within the village. This is extremely dangerous and has real safety issues

Action: Report issue to Proctors and NYC

Public Transport

Again, Buses are stopping at the village green allowing residents off on to the main road as there is no footpath or safe place in that area for them to alight from the bus.

Action: Report issue to Proctors and NYC

6. Christmas tree Exelby Village Green

The Clerk stated that all documentation has been received in respect of the Exelby Community request to have a Christmas Tree on the village green.

AGREED

7. Flooding Exelby

Cllr KT reported:

 The public footpath at the bottom of village is constantly flooded and the water is about 8to 12 inches deep. The request was if anything could be done to help.

Action: Report issue to Pathways officer.

 The main road around the village green is constantly flooding with cars being barely able to get through. The request was that Highways are made aware of this and if anything could be done about the drainage in that area.

Action: Report issue to Highways.

8. Londonderry Grass verges

Cllr AB Reported:

The grass verges had been damaged around the Londonderry area by Braithwaite's trailer when they replanted the pots around the parish.

Action: Clerk to request Braithwaite take a little more care when planting at this time of year as the verges are very soft.

85) Planning

1. Awaiting Decision

ZB23/00923/FUL

• Still awaiting Decision

2. Cert of Reg Change of address

- High Grange & The Farmhouse (Exelby)

3. ZB23/01146/OUT

Planning for one property, Land North of Ten Trees, Exelby **Granted**

86) Highways

1. Heavy Goods Vehicles

As per discussion in the Public Session

2. Streetlamp - Sycamore and Hargill Lane, Leeming

The Clerk stated both had been reported to Highways and the parish was awaiting a response.

I. Sycamore Road

A resident stated that the lamp had been repaired. Apparently when they put the new lamppost in, they forgot to install the electrics.

II. Hargill Lane

The Clerk stated this could be an issue because the adopted area on Hargill is very small and it is unlikely they will want to put a lamp on the road that is adopted.

A Councillor stated area along there is very dark with no lighting at all.

Action Clerk to request Highways Officer to try and inspect the area later in the day.

87) Playground Inspection

1. Leeming Play Grant

The Clerk stated that she was going to do the Grant now as the Streetscape quotation for the equipment had now been received.

Action: Clerk to apply for Grant asap

2. Tree - Leeming

We are still waiting for our contractor to advise us when he will be starting the work.

Action: Clerk to call Contractor for a date.

3. Annual ROSPA Inspection Report

The report has just been received and there does not appear to be any major issues raised.

Action: Clerk to forward report to Councillors asap.

88) Financial Matters

- 1. Payments Agreed
- 2. <u>CIL</u> Payment of £2666.85 received.
- 3. <u>Village Hall Rent</u> Increase from April to £20 per meeting. **Agreed**
- 4. <u>Clerks Salary Increase</u> **Agreed**

Meeting closed at 7.50pm

Signed by Chair:	
Dated:	