

Welton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held 21st February 2017 at 7:00 pm

Present were Councillors Peck (in the chair), Banks, Gill, Roberts, Rockett, Walker and Wilde. Also in attendance was the Clerk.

1235. Public Forum

None

1236. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Boyle, Fairweather and Pierce and Ward Cllr. Abraham.

1237. Declarations of interest

Cllrs. Roberts, Peck, Rockett and Wilde declared a non-pecuniary interest in the planning application for the Memorial Hall, as they are Trustees of the Hall.

1238. Dispensation Requests

None had been received.

1239. To receive the East Riding of Yorkshire Councillor's report

The work opposite South Hunsley School is to move earth from the site to Brough South. It does not need planning permission therefore there are no conditions requiring the lorries to be washed before leaving the site. The lorries are being washed at Brough and the road in Melton is being cleaned but the effects are short lived. East Riding Council are monitoring the situation. It is expected to continue for two to three weeks. There is no condition to force replanting of the hedge that has been removed.

It was noted that there are a number of applications for new houses in Swanland – one is for three hundred houses on land that is not allocated in the local plan.

1240. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2017 are a true record.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Banks.

1241. To approve the minutes from other meetings

a. Planning Committee meeting held 2nd February 2017

Resolved – that the minutes of the planning committee meeting held on 2nd February 2017 are a true record.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Gill and seconded by Cllr. Rockett.

1242. Clerks Report – to receive the report and discuss any matters arising not otherwise on the agenda

It was noted that the Cllrs. Walker and Wilde had met with the Clerk and populated a new draft of the emergency plan; this will be written up for the next meeting.

1243. Mill Dam

a. To review the work and agree any actions required

The Clerk went through the elements of the work and Council noted the following:
That the area looks much better and the water much cleaner. The water level varies but is not as it was – to be taken up with the contractor. Council is OK with the cover of the stop log groove sticking up slightly as it is not a significant lift. The silt trap has about 5-6 inches of mud in the bottom and needs emptying – the contractor said that this would be done so raise it again with them. The gravel area looks OK although the seat looks to be in need of attention and paint. There are some areas of mud which may need turf if the

grass does not grow back. It was noted that the gravel and turf areas are larger than spec'd ie the contractor has done more. It was reported that one of the drains between Cowgate and the brook has been crushed and the sett damaged – to be taken up with the contractor.

Resolved – that the contractor be asked to i) raise the water level ii) empty the silt trap and iii) repair the damaged drainpipe and sett.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Walker.

- b. To agree whether to pay the invoice submitted
The invoice has some items held back awaiting further work ie it is not for the full amount. There is also a 5% retention to cover any defects in workmanship over the next year.

Resolved – that the invoice be paid

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Walker.

- c. To consider the compressor and agree any actions if necessary to lessen the noise and/or disguise the box
It was agreed that the compressor could be heard when it is quiet at night. One option would be to install a timer to switch it off at night, another to box or plant round it. It was noted that planting (which was in the original set of proposals) would also soften the look of the ramps and hide cables coming off the island. It was agreed to take advice from the manufacturer, Mason Clark and Environments for People.

1244. Church Clock Lights

- a. To agree whether to pay the invoice for an electrician to attend
The Clerk had instructed an electrician to attend because it was thought that a problem had occurred as a result of the Mill Dam work. This turned out not to be the case; there are problems with damp getting into the lights and the cabling not being finished appropriately.

Resolved – that the invoice is paid.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Gill.

- b. To consider new information on the ownership of the lights and clock and to review the resolution on ownership (minute 1208).
It was felt that the documents supplied gave a suggestion of ownership but no evidence; they talked of installation of lights and of maintenance. It was agreed that it was not logical to conclude that the Parish Council owned the lights and therefore Council would maintain its position of not accepting ownership of the lights or the clock.
There was some discussion on safety and insurance and it was noted that items will not be insured unless they are on the asset register; items cannot be insured if they are not owned.
After further discussion on maintenance, it was agreed that Council would take on the maintenance only if it was able to appoint and instruct any contractor and that no further invoices would be paid until this was agreed.

Resolved – that Council does not accept ownership of the church roof lights or the church clock. It will take on maintenance responsibility if it has full control of contractors ie Council appoints and instructs them.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

1245. Finance

- a. To consider choosing an auditor to audit the 2016-17 accounts.
The Clerk to get a quote from Rackhams.
- b. To consider financial support of the newsletter

Resolved – that the request should be handled through the grant scheme.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Walker.

- c. To approve the payments listed below:
 - i. £ 541.73 Helena Crutchley Salary & allowance (Standing order)
 - ii. £ 12.62 Orange Phone (Direct Debit)
 - iii. £ 181.09 East Riding of Yorkshire Council Pension
 - iv. £ 11.99 G. Latter Renewal of email account
 - v. £49,249.70 Ellison Construction Ltd Mill Dam refurbishment
 - vi. £ 78.00 PJS Electrical & Alarm Services Ltd Electrician

Resolved – that the payments be approved

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Rockett and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- d. To approve the receipts listed below:
 - i. £ 1.61 Jan Interest (Savings account)

The receipt was noted.

1246. Planning

- a. To agree any response to the consultation on the Statement of Community Involvement
It was agreed not to send a response.
- b. To agree any response to the consultation on the Community Infrastructure Levy
It was agreed not to send a response.
- c. To agree a response to the following consultations:
 - i. 16/03998/PLF Land West of 7 Gibson Lane North Retention of 3.5m high boundary wall

Resolved – that a response of ‘No comment’ be returned.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Rockett and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- ii. 17/00233/PAD Memorial Hall 33 Cowgate Display of 1 non-illuminated fascia sign to front
 - iii. 17/00235/PLB Memorial Hall 33 Cowgate Display of 1 non-illuminated fascia sign to front
- Items ii) and iii) were considered together.

Resolved – that a response supporting the application be returned, noting the need for the hall to be easily identifiable particularly in an emergency.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Walker and seconded by Cllr. Banks.

- iv. 16/04308/PLF 10 Temple Walk Change of use of amenity land to create new vehicular access and driveway

Resolved – that a response be returned objecting to the application on the grounds that it is a loss of public open space. Recent enquiries about planting trees on the grass have highlighted a problem with car parking and Council would prefer to see a scheme which benefits all residents of the road.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Walker and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- v. 17/00278/PLF 5 Hall Walk Erection of single storey extensions to front and side

Resolved – that a response supporting the application be returned.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Walker and seconded by Cllr. Gill.

- vi. 17/00326/PLF Little Wauldby Farm Swanland Dale Erection of a grain store

Resolved – that a response supporting the application be returned.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Wilde.

- vii. 16/01908/PLF C R Reynolds Construction Ltd Gibson Lane South
Erection of a workshop building with associated service yard and car parking,
erection of an office building with associated car parking and the continued use of
the site as a civil engineering business (AMENDED PLAN AND DESCRIPTION)

Resolved – that a response supporting the application be returned.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Walker.

1247. To consider whether to plant trees on Temple Walk, subject to approval by East Riding Council

Following the initial request from a resident, letters had been sent to all houses on Temple Walk. Three further responses had been received – one of support, one of objection and one asking that the view to the river was not blocked. The objection came from a house at the bottom of the road so it was agreed to go ahead and plant towards the top. The trees will be planted as a group of three and a group of two.

Resolved – that, subject to approval by East Riding of Yorkshire Council, five trees are planted on Temple Walk towards the top of the road.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Walker and seconded by Cllr. Gill.

1248. To receive an update on Brough South

Cllr. Peck reported from the first liaison meeting held 6th February.

The bridge has been started, then the relief road will be built and then Phase 1 of the housing which will be the eastern part including the primary school ie the houses that will be in Welton. It is not known who the builder will be – Redrow have dropped out. All floor levels will be 6.8m above ordnance datum to avoid flooding.

There will be 750 houses in total built over 8 – 10 years with the first being available in 2018. The school is expected to be open in Sep. 2018. A supermarket is planned for 2019 although it is not yet known which one. The liaison meetings are to deal with problems that come up. Residents can raise problems with the Chair immediately before the meetings start. The next meetings are at 7pm at the Petuaria Centre on 20th March and 19th June – the Clerk to put them on the website diary.

1249. To receive a report from the Memorial Hall Trustees

The Trustees are waiting for a quote for legal advice on the transfer to a CIO and the ownership of the building. The governing document is to remain as it is now.

The heating in the committee room is to be changed.

The group are currently short of two trustees as one has had to step down.

1250. To elect a Trustee to Welton Memorial Hall

Held over to next month.

1251. To agree to close the meeting to public and press on the grounds of confidentiality

Resolved – that the meeting be closed to public and press

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

1252. To review the employment terms of the Clerk and agree action as required

It was agreed that a meeting of the personnel committee should be held as soon as possible.

1253. To agree to open the meeting to public and press

Resolved – that the meeting be re-opened to public and press.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Rockett.

1254. To note correspondence received and agree any action required

- a. Photos for websites

It was noted that photos are needed for the new website and the ERNLLCA one.

- b. Willow tree sculpture suggestion
It was felt that this was not in keeping with the location so it was agreed to fell completely. Furthermore, the Clerk to ask the tree surgeon to grind out the stump and the roots to remove the trip hazard.

Resolved – that the felling include stump grinding.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Wilde.

- c. Planning training
Cllrs. Roberts and Wilde will attend if diaries allow – they will confirm to the Clerk.
- d. Transport Strategy Launch – no one will attend.

1255. To receive any other items for note or future agendas

- a. Date of Annual Parish Meeting
A provisional date of April 12th was agreed subject to room availability.
- b. Three coaches of football fans had been brought to the Green Dragon before a match in Hull. The Clerk to email the police to express residents' concerns and ask what police policy is for handling fans.

1256. To confirm the date of the next full Council meeting as March 21st 2017.
Confirmed.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:56 pm.