

CROPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 28 July 2020 by Zoom.

Present: Tony Warnock-Smith (Chair), Moira Taylor, Melanie Bailey, Richard Maher.

1 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting on 26 May 2020 were approved.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3 MATTERS ARISING

- i. There had been a continuing level of complaints about the nuisance caused by HGV parking in Cropton Lane when delivering to the Brewery and damage to grass curbs when turning. NYCC Highways had been contacted and had advised that the NYMNPA which was the planning authority had contacted the Brewery in respect of the enforcement of the planning condition which required the Brewery to make provision for proper access down to the Brewery site and for vehicles to be able to turn there before returning to the roadway. RM agreed to follow up with NYMNPA and to develop a log of complaints as evidence of the ongoing problem. RM
- ii. MB reported that she was following up the repair or replacement of the broken water hydrant and had contacted another foundry and was awaiting an estimate. TWS had been in touch with the PC's insurers who had set out the information required to support a claim. It was noted that the excess was £400 per claim. MB
- iii. RM reported that NYCC Highways had declined to act on the complaint about the location of the 40mph sign near the garage unless or until they had evidence of accidents in the area. RM to respond to the complainant accordingly. RM
- iv. MT reported that the Back Lane steps had been repaired satisfactorily. TWS
- v. The Woodlands Creation project by the NYMNPA required further investigation to determine the location of the proposed planting areas and TWS to follow up. TWS
- vi. MT reported that the ancient stone cross in the churchyard was in good order and TWS agreed to advise the NYMNPA to that effect.
- vii. Although it was planned to invite to the next meeting of the PC the villagers who had expressed an interest in being co-opted to the PC to fill the current vacancy it was agreed not to do so until a live meeting could be held.

4 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved to ratify the No Objections decision concerning the proposed repair of the Lastingham Seven bridge.

5 PLANNING DECISIONS

It was noted that the refusal of permission to a change in a planning restriction at Paddock House (NYM/2019/0681/FL) had been appealed to the Secretary of State.

6 COUNCILLORS MATTERS

- i. MB had pointed to the overgrown nature of the paths from the High Street to the Church and from the Church gate to the Rosedale road and it was agreed that MT would seek an estimate of the cost of clearing work. MT
- ii. A complaint had been received about the state of a paddock off Back Lane which had been left untouched for some years and was causing a nuisance to neighbours. It was not clear who was the owner or had

responsibility for the paddock and for any sort of enforcement action. TWS
TWS to take this up with Ryedale DC. TWS

7 FINANCE

- i. The External Auditor had confirmed that the filing of the Annual Governance Statement including the Certificate of Exemption for the year ended 31 March 2020 had been duly received. Members asked that there be formally recorded a vote of thanks to Andrew Collinson for his work in producing the Internal Audit Report for that year.
- ii. Updated financial statements for the current year were received and considered.
- iii. TWS reported that following discussions with NYCC the grass cutting precept for 2019 was agreed to be outstanding and due and payment had now been duly received. Members asked that all those in the village who were involved in the cutting of grass areas be formally thanked. TWS
- iv. Resolved to authorise payment of £24.99 to Spanglefish for annual website rights and to authorise payment of £29.99 to Calico for domain name rights.

8 NEW CORRESPONDENCE

- i. Resolved to send a letter of support in connection with the NYMNPA's application for accreditation under the Dark Skies Lighting Import Scheme. TWS
- ii. Resolved to prepare an application for road safety funding under the AJ1 project road safety fund. MB
TWS
- iii. Resolved to respond to the NYMNPA traditional finger post survey. TWS
- iv. Resolved to support the position proposed by Ryedale DC in respect of the proposals to reorganise the levels of local government structures in North Yorkshire.

9 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be on Tuesday 6 October 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall if permitted then, otherwise at 5.00pm by Zoom.

[Note: It would be necessary before holding a live meeting in the Village Hall to prepare a Covid 19 risk assessment.]