

Minutes of the Meeting of AUSTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Monday 22nd May 2017

Councillor's present: Lesley Cox; Sandra Crawford; John Goodall, Chris Beckett and Matt Kallaur.

Public Participation: 2 member of the public attended the meeting. Susan Hughes from Austerfield Study Centre attended the meeting to advise the Council of a heritage project which is being developed. The project looks at the heritage of the village; including William Bradford and how the village has developed. A village trail is part of the project and local school children have been invited to produce art work. Workshops will be held and hopefully there will be an interactive board in the Church. Information boards and signs will be placed around the village; any input from the Parish Council is welcomed. Henry Bagilhole attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of Bawtry under 9's football team using the recreation field for training and matches. The team currently use the Memorial Sports Ground but the ground is unavailable from April to October. The team also use facilities in Harworth but it is often overcrowded. The team would require storage for the goal posts and a pitch would need to be painted for the matches.

1. **Election of Chairman:** Cllr Crawford nominated Cllr Cox for the position; Cllr Goodall seconded the proposal. Cllr Cox accepted the position of Chairman.
2. **Election of Vice-Chair:** Cllr Beckett nominated Cllr Goodall for the position; Cllr Kallaur seconded the proposal. Cllr Goodall accepted the position of Vice Chair.
3. **Signing of Acceptance of Office Forms:** Chair Cox and Vice Chair Goodall signed the acceptance of office forms.
4. **Signing of Members Register of Interest Forms:** All Council members were provided with a ROI form and the Clerk requested that they complete and return them at the next meeting.
5. **Apologies:** None.
6. **To receive any Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary & Non Pecuniary Interests:** Cllr Kallaur declared an interest in item 11 (Drainage issues with 11 South View).
7. **To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting: 24th April 2017:** The minutes were signed and approved by the Council.
8. **To note matters arising from minutes of the last meeting not on the agenda:** The Clerk advised that DMBC had confirmed that they would re-paint the road markings at the top of Newington Road.
9. **Matters Arising from Public Participation:**
 - **Heritage Project:** Cllr Beckett questioned which buildings other than the Church, school and Manor House would be part of the heritage trail; SH advised that the trail also included the village green and the brick patterns of the different buildings within the village. Cllr Beckett requested a copy of the trail which is used by the school groups. Cllr Crawford advised that lots of descendants of William Bradford visit the village and leave comments in the guest book at the Church. Cllr Beckett advised that there is a need for the project. Cllr Crawford advised that the project would be beneficial to the village but is not sure of what involvement is required of the Council. SH advised that signs would need to be displayed throughout the village and she would like input from the Council with regards to the design and location.

Chair Cox advised that the project would be supported by the Council. Cllr Blake advised that DMBC would need to grant permission for the locations of the signs.

- **Football Team:** Cllr Beckett questioned where the cars would be parked; Cllr Kallaur suggested contacting the factory owners to see if they would give permission for the team and visitors to use their car park. Cllr Beckett agreed that using the factory car park is a good idea providing the team members and visitors did not cause an obstruction. The main issue would be the extra cost for the maintenance of the field. Chair Cox advised that there are lots of rabbit holes and mole hills on the field and the public liability would also need to be checked. Cllr Crawford advised that DMBC could be asked to carry out extra maintenance work on part of the field to enable it to be used as a pitch. HB advised that the team train on a Saturday and matches are played on Sundays and they would require use of the field for approximately one and a half hours. Cllr Beckett questioned how large the storage unit would be; HB advised that the unit would need to store two FA regulation goal posts. Cllr Blake advised that she could speak to Streetscene with regards to the field maintenance. Cllr Kallaur questioned whether it would be possible to use the field for parking on; Chair Cox advised that there are issues with the field becoming boggy. HB advised that there would be approximately 21 cars used by the teams. Cllr Beckett advised that plastic mesh could be installed on an area of the field to allow cars to park. Cllr Kallaur advised that if the request is viable then the Council and football team need to work through the requirements step by step; the maintenance of the pitch area needs to be arranged and then look at the possibility of providing a parking area. Chair Cox advised that the Council would contact Bawtry Carbon to see if they have any issues with their car park being used; the grounds would be reviewed and the insurance will be checked before further discussions take place.

10. **Ward Councillor's Report:** Cllr Blake attended the meeting to advise that the Mayflower floral display is ready to be relocated; DMBC had questioned how the Council would prefer the display to be positioned. Council resolved for the display to be positioned in the centre of the roundabout to enable drivers entering the village via High Common Lane to have a view of the Mayflower. Cllr Blake advised that DMBC would like to hold a welcome home event and will advise the Council once a date has been arranged. Cllr Blake also advised that the 30mph speed sign had not been moved yet. DMBC had advised that there are no issues with the drainage to the rear of 11 South View; Vice-Chair Goodall advised that he had recently visited the site and it is obvious that the structure built in the garden has moved and is at risk of falling into the drain. Cllr Blake advised that she would arrange for a drainage engineer to visit the site with Vice Chair Goodall. Speeding continues to be an increasing problem throughout the ward and Cllr Blake advised that she had requested a meeting with the Police Commissioner to discuss the issue.

11. Council and Village Items:

- **Playground Equipment Maintenance:** Cllr Crawford advised that the maintenance of the cableway and removal of the logs had not taken place. The Clerk advised that she would contact DMBC. The Clerk advised that 2 quotes had been received for the outdoor exercise equipment; consisting of: Skier; Chest Press; Pedal Cycle. Wicksteed had quoted £9,127 plus VAT plus £456 carriage; Sovereign had quoted £5,563.02 plus VAT. Council resolved to seek funding from BCI and Robin Hood Airport and consider the quotes further once replies had been received from both businesses.
- **Speeding Issues:** Discussed under item 10.
- **Village Notice Board:** Vice Chair Crawford advised that the noticeboard design is ongoing.
- **Facebook:** Cllr Kallaur advised that 2 messages have been received through the page; one message was a query from a member of the public who is trying to trace a house that a family member lived in and another was in support of the adult exercise play equipment.
- **Adoption of Telephone Box:** The Clerk advised that BT had confirmed that the electricity supply will remain connected to the telephone box; but BT have the right to remove it at any time; although this is not envisaged in the foreseeable future. Council resolved to sign the contract to adopt the phone box.
- **Drainage Issues 11 South View:** Discussed under item 10.
- **Purchase of Defibrillator:** The Clerk advised that the defibrillator would require checking once a week; the pads require replacing every 2 years and the batteries need to be replaced every 4 years. Pads cost approximately £30 and the batteries are approximately £150.

12. **Bawtry Carbon International:** No updates received. The Clerk advised that a reply had not been received with regards to the site visit.

13. **Fracking:** Vice Chair Crawford advised that there were no updates as the Section 106 agreement had not been finalised.

14. Account and Financial Matters – To Receive and Approve:

- **Bank Statement as at 22nd May 2017:** The Council reviewed and approved the statements.
- **Cheques/Online payments:** Council resolved to approve the following invoices for payment:

Cheque 300202	BT Payphones	£1.00
Online:	S Youngman	£154.84
Online:	MB Gardens	£130.00
Online:	AFSC	£20.00
Online:	Viking	£58.92
Online:	Today Publications	£60.00

Cllr Beckett agreed to authorise the online payments.

- **To Approve Part 1 of the Annual Return:** Council resolved to approve and sign part one of the annual return.
- **DMBC Grant: Memorial Garden:** The Clerk advised that the 2 quotes had been sent to DMBC; who had advised that they would request Streetscene to visit the site and provide a quote for the work.

15. Planning:

- **To Note any Planning Decisions:**
- **Muirfield Newington Road:** Erection of a side a rear ground floor single storey extension: Approved.
- **2 Sunny View High Street:** Erection of single storey rear extension (extending beyond rear wall of the original dwelling 5.93m, height to eaves of the proposed extension 2.50m and maximum height of the proposed extension 3.79m): No objections; prior approval not required.
- **Misson Sand and Gravel:** Installation of Terex washer/grader and enclosed settlement tanks: Granted.
- **To Comment on Planning Applications:**
Bawtry Park Development: Hybrid planning application comprising:
(1) Full planning permission for the erection of a new pro shop, changing suite, formation of car park, driving range, sports bar and academy zone/centre of excellence. Including complimentary supporting uses of a hotel with adjoining conference venue, main reception and health & fitness suite together with a bar and family dining restaurant.
(2) Outline application for the erection of 18 dwellings and associated infrastructure being all matters reserved. Cllr Kallaur advised that if the park was developed as per the plan then it would be asset to the village. Chair Cox advised that she has issues with the plans to develop a residential area as it could set a precedent and expand onto the adjacent field. Council resolved to invite the developers to a meeting on 3rd July to discuss the application in further detail.
- **To Note any other Planning Matters:** None.

16. To Receive Correspondence:

- DMBC: Email to advise of a Doncaster Local Plan update meeting at the civic office on 26th June at 5pm.
- YLCA: Email advising of information sessions taking place throughout Yorkshire regarding the Transparency Code.
- YLCA: Email to remind Councils that they need to appoint representatives to attend the branch meetings.
- YLCA: White Rose Update.
- SYPTE: Email advising of the closure of the Brightbus business.
- YLCA: Email advising that the 2017 copy of The Good Councillor's Guide is available to purchase.
- SYPTE: Email regarding the proposal to extend the 16-18 student pass scheme which will enable 16-18 year olds (including apprentices) to access discounted travel throughout South Yorkshire.

17. To Identify Newsletter Items:

- Chairman and Vice-Chair nominations.

Meeting Closed: 21:00

Next Meeting: Monday 19th June.