

SMEATON WITH HORNBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd October 2023 at Great Smeaton Village Hall

Present: R Goodchild, C White, P Spence, J Evans & 2 Members of the Public

- 1. Apologies:** A Wilkinson, S Ferrie
- 2. Minutes:** Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 29th August 2023 were agreed and signed.
- 3. Crime report** – Received and discussed. No crime issues reported within the villages.
- 4. Matters Arising -**

Public Open Space and Recreation Plan – Two of the three proposals are now in place (benches and interpretation boards). The third allocation of funding which amounts to £2960.00 is suggested for childrens play equipment.

Discussions are still ongoing as to how this money could be spent.

Community Infrastructure Levy – Following another payment received, Smeaton with Hornby Parish Council now have a fund totalling £16,030.26 that can be used to enhance the public areas in the Parish. It is proposed that this could be also used to help with the childrens play area, combined with the Public Open Space and Recreation Plan funding. Discussions are still on-going with Great Smeaton Primary School to investigate the potential of a joint play area. Cllr Goodchild has been in contact with the Chair of the Board of Governors and will be arranging a meeting in the near future.

Speeding – The VAS sign for Great Smeaton is now in situ and is fully operational. This has co-incided with the Police operating several speed traps in the village of Great Smeaton, with many drivers getting penalties.

Cllr Goodchild is to draft a document to Zoe Metcalfe with regards to speeding concerns, and to ask for double white lines on the bend of Great Smeaton (Northallerton end).

The VAS sign for Hornby is now in production.

Little Smeaton Bridge – Unfortunately, the repair works still haven't commenced. Cllr Wilkinson is continuing to pursue this with Highways, but unfortunately works aren't a priority due to the bridge not being on a major road. The safety barriers are now in the river – Clerk to report to Highways.

Entrances to Villages – The entrances to the villages are in need of a tidy up. Cllr Spence is still investigating 'Gateway' style entrances. The Village name signs are rather faded and need repainting. Hornby has foliage overgrowing its village signs, and Cllr Spence is

arranging help to tidy these up. We will also investigate with Highways as to why the verges around the signs aren't being maintained.

The 30mph signs on Long Lane, Hornby, are faded – Clerk to report to Highways.

Communication – Following the resignation of Cllr Thomas, who was responsible for the newsletter and website, it was agreed that priority would be given to the website initially as an important information portal for the Parish. Unfortunately, as a handover wasn't given, it's proven rather difficult to update it as the software is unique to the provider. Cllr Spence is to set up a 'website group' involving several members of the Parish Council and members of the public in order that it can be kept updated. The first meeting will take place during August.

Village Greens – Cllr White's tree contact will be looking at the trees on Hornby Village Green during October. On further study, it's been recommended that perhaps Hornby's notice board is replaced completely. Cllr Goodchild will take a second look.

Parish Council Vacancy – The vacancy for a Parish Councillor for Hornby was advertised, but unfortunately North Yorkshire Council received no applications. We are therefore able to co-opt and will approach suitable candidates.

5. Planning Applications

Erection of an agricultural building to cover existing silage clamp – White House Farm, Great Smeaton (Ref: ZB23/O1450/FUL) – (No observations) – GRANTED

Application for proposed works for repair and reconstruction works following fire damage – Mill Farm, Hornby (Ref: ZB23/O1546/FUL) – (No observations) – GRANTED

Change of use for land for a placement of a static caravan for family and friends accommodation – Staindale Grange, Hornby (Ref: ZB23/O1316/FUL) – (No observations) - REFUSED

Replacement roof structure and alterations to windows, introduction of bi-folding doors to bar and swimming pool and balcony to rear courtyard – Salutation Cottage, Little Smeaton (Ref: ZB23/O1379/FUL) – (No observations) - GRANTED

Construction of 3 highly energy efficient dwellings – Land adjacent to The East House, Great Smeaton (Ref: ZB23/OO945/FUL) - Ongoing

Conversion of Barn to form 2 dwellings - Barn Adjacent to Bon Lea House, Little Smeaton (Ref: 22/02668/FUL 23/0001/REFUSE) – NEW – APPEAL MADE TO SECRETARY OF STATE

Remove or reduce the height of a sycamore tree in a conservation area – The Green, Great Smeaton (Ref: 22/00078/CAT) –(No observations, if not in breach of TPO) - ONGOING

Application for outline planning permission with all matters reserved for 1 dwelling – Land to the South of Craig Isla, Long Lane, Hornby (Ref: 22/O1179/OUT)– (No observations) - ONGOING

6. Finance

Cheques Signed Off

£163.20 CE & CM Walker Ltd – Invoice 23245

£144.00 CE & CM Walker Ltd – Invoice 23246

£150.00 Claire Copeland – Clerks Salary

£24.00 ThenMedia – Website, Invoice TMS 15159

7. Correspondence

8. Any Other Business

Pavement, Hambleton Court, Great Smeaton - Complaints have been received that the pavement on the left to the entrance of Hambleton Court (following around into the cul-de-sac) is extremely mossy and slippery. Clerk to report to Highways.

9. Date of next meeting – 19.30, Tuesday 31st October 2023, Great Smeaton Village Hall

Signed:..... Date:.....