

## SMEATON WITH HORNBY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 at Great Smeaton Village Hall

**Present:** R Goodchild, C White, P Spence, J Evans & S Ferrie

- 1. Apologies:** A Wilkinson
- 2. Minutes:** Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 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 will be relocated from its current position in the near future to help avoid motorists becoming complacent and it losing its impact. The initial change will be the sign being rotated to target traffic leaving the village, then in approximately eight weeks time, it will be moved to the opposite end of the village, and then to the middle.

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 and this has been reported to Highways as a safety issue.

**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 do need replacing, with exception to the traditional sign (approaching Great Smeaton from Hornby) which needs repainting.

Clerk to contact Highways to obtain an approved contractor list, and also to investigate whether we can simply replace the signs themselves.

**Village Greens** – Cllr White’s tree contact will be looking at the trees on Hornby Village Green during November. On further study, its been recommended that perhaps Hornby’s notice board is replaced completely. Cllr Spence is looking into costings.

**Parish Council Vacancy** – The vacancy for a Parish Councillor for Hornby was advertised, but unfortunately North Yorkshire Council received no applications. We have been able to co-opt for one vacancy, which will be filled by Simon Tuer. Clerk to submit the necessary paperwork.

## 5. Planning Applications

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) – Ongoing – 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

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

Precept to be carried forward to the next meeting.

- 7. **Correspondence**
- 8. **Any Other Business**
- 9. **Date of next meeting – 19.30, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023, Great Smeaton Village Hall**

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