Cold Ashby Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6th September 2023 at 7.30pm at Cold Ashby Pavilion.

Minutes

Present: Councillors Roper (Chair), Harpham, Peel, RDWilliams, RLWilliams, Bailey. 6 members of the public.

This meeting was recorded by multiple attendees.

Meeting started: 19:30 Meeting ended: 21:37

Interests: No pecuniary interests were declared.

23.9.1 – Apologies: Councillor Taylor – approved.

23.9.2 - Minutes: it was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held 2nd August 2023

23.9.3 - Matters arising: Councillors to sign the August accounts transaction sheet, omitted at the last meeting in error.

23.9.4 - Open forum: representations were made in reference to the Planning Application Appeal APP/W2845/W/23/3318780. During these observations the chairman of the meeting highlighted a breach of standing order 10a - Disorderly conduct. **It was resolved** to exclude the member of the public from the meeting. The member of public refused to leave the meeting and as a result the meeting was adjourned at 19:40. Councillors eventually left the meeting room and the Clerk attempted to contact the Police.

Meeting resumed: 20:02 – public attendees: 3

23.9.5 – Accounts: it was resolved to approve the accounts for September.

23.9.6 – Performance against budget: update was positively received, no additional comments or observations.

23.9.7 - Planning Application Appeal:

APP/W2845/W/23/3318780: Councillor Roper refrained from comment due to pecuniary interest. Cllr Harpham had no additional comments but took to re-iterate previous comments made. Cllr RD Williams challenged the appellants position regarding the lack of support for a public house

Cllr RD Williams challenged the appellants position regarding the lack of support for a public house within the village, questioning how this could be known as the appellant has never opened it as a public house.

Cllr RD Williams shared that the value/status of the pub should be questioned as the asking price is c. £125k more than it was advertised for by the previous owner (as an operational pub) and items have been stripped out/removed potentially devaluing the pub.

Cllr RD Williams expressed the survey results referred to in the appeal should not be relied upon as it was conducted and analysed by the appellant with no independent oversight.

Cllr RD Willams highlighted the information referenced in Annex C is out of date and does not necessarily represent current conditions.

Cllr Bailey explained that significant changes have been made already and most points raised have been highlighted previously.

- **23.9.8 Grass Cutting: it was resolved** that the contractor would mow in October. **The clerk** to advise the contractor.
- **23.9.9 October Parish Council Meeting: it was resolved** that the meeting would go ahead on 4th October. Cllr Harpham to take the minutes.
- **23.9.10 Parish Online Subscription: it was resolved** to renew the subscription.
- **23.9.11 Grant Application: Church Council/Friends of St Denys Church: the clerk is to** request more information from the applicant, particularly relating to the engagement being over the winter months.
- **23.9.12 Insurance 2023-2024: it was resolved** to accept the insurance quote. **The clerk** will request information relating to the increase.
- 23.9.13 Memorial Inscription: it was resolved to approve the inscription.
- **23.9.14 Highways meeting 8**th **September:** Councillors will address validity of the survey and what steps can be taken to alleviate the impact the traffic has on Cold Ashby.
- **23.9.15 Community Governance Review:** CAPC are focusing on changes within the current parish boundaries. **The clerk** will communicate this to WNC.

23.9.16 – Environment:

Bus Shelter – Quotes will be obtained for the bus shelter repair.

Cemetery Wall – The chairman will liaise with the company who own the tractor identified in CCTV,

Footpaths – A member of the public reported to Cllr Peel an issue with one of the footpaths in the village opposite the cemetery on the bend. **The clerk** to investigate and report to WNC.

- 23.9.17 Verbal Reports: none
- 23.9.18 Post: Planning Application 2023/5923/OUT Demolition/Removal of mobile home and erection of two timber log cabins no observations.

Natalie Heath 20th September 2023