

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CONONLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN CONONLEY VILLAGE INSTITUTE ON TUESDAY 10TH MAY 2022 AT 19.00

Present: Cllr M. Swinden (chair), Cllr M. Dracup, Cllr A Powell (co-opted), In attendance: CDC Cllr A. Brown and The Clerk. Apologies: Cllr K. Clark

**22.015** (a) The written resignation of Cllr Clark from the position of Chair of the PC was accepted.

(b) Further to members approval, Cllr Swinden was elected to the position of Chairman for this meeting.

(c) It was resolved to co-opt Andrew Powell to the Parish Council.

**22.016** Apologies from Cllr Clark (holiday) were received.

22.017 There were no dispensations or interests declared by any Councillor present.22.018 The minutes of the March Parish Council meeting held on 8th March 2022 were accepted as a true record.

## 22.019 Communication:

a) There was no communication from residents that hasn't already been responded to.b) Public Participation- there were no members of the public present.

c) District Councillor Andy Brown gave an update to the meeting. Cllr Brown confirmed that the Moorfoot Lane PROW application had now reached the informal consultation stage. NYCC will also start to investigate the evidence for the lane being a Right of Way. Cllr Brown spoke about the Planning Appeal being turned down for the two housing applications at Meadow Lane. The reasons for its refusal are well documented. Cllr Brown stated that he had won the new North Yorkshire Council, Aire Valley Ward election with 79% of the vote although turnout was disappointing at only 41%. He will serve five years; the last year of North Yorkshire County Council and then the first four years of the new North Yorkshire Council from April 2023. The new North Yorkshire County Council will be comprised of 47 Conservatives and 43 others.



- **d**) The following correspondence was considered and noted:
- i) Government response to the report on Ethical Standards (NALC), circulated.
- ii) Ukrainian Refugee Information Sources (circulated 28/3) via Cllr A. Brown.
- iii) White Rose News Updates (YLCA).
- iiii) Cycling with Confidence Training, 18th June (via Cllr Clark).

#### 22.020 Planning

**a)** The following Planning Applications were received:

i) Ref: 2022/23780/FUL Holiday accommodation. Nethergyhll Lane. WITHDRAWN

ii) Ref: 2022/23854/FUL 27 new dwellings off Meadow Lane, Cononley. OBJECTION
iii)Ref: 2022/23888/LBC New annex, Peat Ghyll Head Farm, Cononley. NO COMMENT
iiii) Ref: 2022/23887/HH New annex, Peat Ghyll Head Farm, Cononley. NO COMMENT
iiii) Ref: 2022/23781/FULDemoltion of three garages and the build of four new garages, off
Main St, Cononley. (received after publication of the Agenda) OBJECTION.

**b)** The following decisions, withdrawals and appeals were reported by CDC:

- i) Ref: 2022/23675/CPL Beechcroft, Main St, Cononley. Lawful Development Cert APPROVED
- ii) Ref: 2022/23643/HH External door and balcony, Woodhouse Lane, Cononley. GRANTED
- iii) Ref: 2022/23774/HH Bay Window to front elevation, Cononley, GRANTED

iiii) Ref: 2021/23611/HH Demolish garage, build side extension, Meadow Croft. GRANTED
iiiii) Ref: 2022/23751/HH Flat roof rear extension, Aireside Terr, Cononley. REFUSED.
iiiiii) Ref: 2021/23214/HH Alterations to Royd House, Lingah Hill, Glusburn. GRANTED
iiiiiii) Ref: 2021/23215/LBC Alterations to Royd House/ Garden Wall, Glusburn. GRANTED. *In addition, the decision of two appeals is noted for applications numbered: APP/C2708/W/21/3288764 and APP/C2708/W/3288786 at Meadow Close. Both appeals were dismissed.*

**22.021** To receive an update on the activities of the Cononley CleanerGreener Group. The recent Composting Event was very successful with a lot of attendees and some children enjoying learning about a wormery. The DNAire litter pick at Easter had a good turnout. There is a forthcoming event at the CVI in June about energy saving. This will cover topics such as solar panels on the roofs of houses. The date will be advertised. There is also the Cycle with Confidence training on 18<sup>th</sup> June ( as advertised).

**22.022** To discuss and approve the draft changes to the allotment agreement subject to tenant consultation.

This was deferred until a later date to give Cllr Dracup and Cllr Powell sufficient time to look and comment on the proposed changes. It was felt that an inspection date also needed to be discussed to look at the plots as soon as possible.



**22.023** To receive any updates from Councillors on the s106 Sub-Committee. It was noted that the new fingerpost signs for Dead Eye had arrived and they would be erected later this week. It is hoped that the work on the Playing Field refurbishment (park) can start in September, but this is yet unconfirmed.

**22.024** To receive the Action List and agree any course of action from it.

The Clerk talked through some of the outstanding tasks that need attention. These include establishing the ownership of the Street Light on the Meadow Lane snickett and some lights being out on Netherghyll Lane. There is an urgent need to find a volunteer who understands Wix to update the PC website and for more work to be done on PC Policies.

# **22.025** To receive a verbal update from Council representatives.

Cllr Dracup reported that the recent Scarecrow Festival was a big success with 40 entries. The duck race was also successful with £1,500 being raised from raffles. There will be an open day at the Pinfold in June, with the date to be confirmed.

Cllr Swinden reported that the Employment Committee had approved the Clerk's performance review for the past 12 months along with the backdated Cost of Living public sector increase for 2021. The Clerk's hourly rate is due to increase from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022 as the yearly anniversary of his employment.

# 22.026 Clerk's Report.

The Clerk stressed that this is a busy financial period with the end of year accounts, AGAR requirements and Internal Audit all looming. The Clerk still has some Annual Leave to take before the 1<sup>st</sup> June as leave cannot now be carried over. The Lengthsman suffered a delay with payment of his March Playing Field invoice and although splitting the invoices is good practice, it will be more efficient if the RFO once again processes all his invoices. There are some more allotment rents that have come in and a trip to the bank next week is required to bank some cheques. Some plot holders still prefer this payment method.

22.027 Matters for Debate and Resolution.

a) The YLCA membership subs renewal for 22/23 at a cost of £442.00 was approved.

b) The renewal of the Community First Yorkshire subs for 22/23 at a cost of £42.00 was approved.



c) The NYCC 7-day Speed Survey at a cost of £110.00 which is part of the 20mph speed appraisal was approved.

d) The Clerk's 12 months backdated pay amount of £260.70 from April 21 to comply with the Local Council sector cost of living increase was approved.

e) The payment of £118.80 to Smiths of Derby for the CVI Clock tower repair was approved.

f) The payment of £1,173.60 to LBS for waterbutts to encourage sustainable and environmentally friendly water usage on the PC allotment sites was approved.

g) The 2021-22 Year End PC Accounts and financial statement (circulated) were discussed and approved after several questions were asked.

22.028 Council Administration and Finance.

The monthly report on assets, maintenance and Council finance and budgets, timesheets and payments, was approved.

**22.029** To note the date of the next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> June. Apologies were received from Cllr Swinden for that meeting.

**22.030** There were no urgent items at the discretion of the Chairman, or items for future meetings.

The meeting closed at 20.21



# A MEETING OF THE SOLE TRUSTEES OF THE CONONLEY VILLAGE INSTITUTE & THE SOLE TRUSTEES OF CONONLEY VILLAGE PLAYING FIELD

## **Cononley Village Institute (CVIAC)**

1.To receive and/or approve:

- (a) The unsigned Minutes (circulated) of 21<sup>st</sup> March were noted.
- (b) The signed Minutes of (circulated) 17<sup>th</sup> January were noted.
- (c) The ongoing matter of the noise complaint from the Wednesday night Samba Drumming Club was discussed but there were no new developments to report. The PC Clerk updated that he had submitted an online insurance claim for the Fascia board damage caused by the HGV (at the request of the CVI Treasurer). No reply has been received yet. Mike Dracup had contacted NYCC about the possibility of a bollard being erected in front of the CVI. NYCC say this may be ok if there are no services underneath.
- (d) The finance report for the CVIAC and approve payments, receipts and estimates as scheduled therein were noted.(circulated).

## **Cononley Village Playing Field ( CVPF)**

- 1. (a) There were no recent Minutes to note.
  - (b) It was noted the new green living hedge near the beck was starting to establish nicely. The Lengthsman had removed a damaged wooden animal from the playground at the request of the PC Clerk for Health & Safety reasons.
  - (c) The repair costs for the Playground Zip wire and associated parts were confirmed as £1,361.20 and this had been approved by the Sole Trustees and signed for by the PC Clerk. An invoice to order is awaited.
  - (d) The Bowling Club had confirmed that they are planning to bring in a raft of new policies after liasiing with the PC Clerk (info to be circulated).
  - (e) The Clerk intends to contact the adjacent householder to see if a way forward



Can be worked out with regards to the coniferous trees.

(f) Payments, receipts and estimates as scheduled therein were noted.

The meeting closed at 20.47