

Great Houghton Parish Council

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Those present :

Chairman : Councillor LD Higginbottom JP

Vice Chairman : Councillor J Bembridge

Councillors : Councillor A Gothard, Councillor D Hanson, Councillor T Neale, Councillor D L Parkin- Coates, Councillor D Pickett

3198 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from - Cllr Y Hargreaves.

3199 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was proposed by Cllr T Neale and seconded by Cllr D P Coates that the minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 23rd January 2019 be accepted as correct.

3200 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Minute No 3147 - The Clerk informed members that he had contacted the Police Commissioners Office regarding the delay in running the Speed Watch Initiative, but was still awaiting a response. **Noted**

Minute NO 3147 The Clerk reported that the Reading Room project was due to start on Monday 18th March and that the premises would be open on a trial basis every Monday & Wednesday between 10:00am & 12:00 Noon. The project, to be run by two volunteers, has been funded by CISWO and the North East Ward Alliance
Noted

The clerk informed members that he had arranged to meet the Probation Service with nregard to them painting the Wefare Hall railings.

3201 Correspondence

The Clerk reported that he had received letters and e-mails from:

a) Barnsley MBC regarding renewing both the Commercial Waste / Recycling and Grounds Maintenance contracts. **Agreed**

Proposed Cllr A Goddard seconded Cllr Cllr D P Coates

b) The Clerk asked members to confirm the renewal / extension of the Utility Services contract with the provider Npower. **Agreed**

Proposed Cllr J Bembridge seconded Cllr T Neale

c) Fitzwilliam Wentworth Estates regarding the future use of the Chapel Lane play area

d) S W Calvert renewing his tenancy. **Noted**

e) Barnsley MBC regarding a complaint received from a resident concerned about a tree that is growing on Pleasant Avenue playing field effecting his property. **Noted**

f) Barnsley MBC's Play Area Officer regarding the inspection reports for Chapel Lane and Pleasant Avenue play areas. **Noted**

g) A resident regarding fly tipping behind No4 Edward Street. **Noted**

h) A resident regarding problems caused by water flooding on to the road from the hand car wash at the garage on Rotherham Road. **Noted**

i) A Resident complaining on how a Councillor responded to an issue raised. **Noted**

3202 Allotments

The Clerk informed members

a) Letters had been received from two tenants who wished to swop plots on Stonebridge Lane (37 & 48) Agreed

Proposed Cllr A Goddard seconded Cllr J Bembridge

b) That the Tenancy Renewal Notices would be posted by 25th March, informing the plot holders that the annual rent would be collected at the welfare hall on Saturday 6th April 2019

c) That an application to be placed on the allotment waiting list had been received.

3203 Planning

The Clerk informed members that Barnsley MBC's Planning Department had forwarded two Planning Applications for their consideration and asked that they confirm they had no issues with the applications as previously stated

a) Erection of two detached bungalows - Former Garage Site Norfolk Road

b) Erection of two storey side extension, and single storey extension to dwelling - 14 John Street

Proposed Cllr D Hanson seconded Cllr T Neale.

3204 Member's Recommendations

Cllr D Hanson - informed members that a tree on the Wescoe Ave / George Street garage site required attention. Noted

The Clerk to inform Berneslia Homes of problem.

The Chair asked that the Clerk arrange a meeting with Barnsley MBC's Cemetrys and Crematorim Officer to discuss the future plans / maintenance of Great Houghton Cemetery

Cllr J Bembridge asked what action could be taken with regard to a tree affecting the drive of No' 8 High Street

The Clerk was asked to contact Barnsley MBC's Highways department. Regarding this matter.

3205 Clerk's Financial Statement

The Clerk presented the accounts for January and February 2019

It was proposed by Cllr D Picken and seconded by Cllr A Goddard that the accounts be approved and accepted as correct and signed accordingly.

3206 Parochial Matters

The public were asked to leave the meeting whilst members discussed staffing related issues following a letter of resignation from the Welfare Hall Caretaker.

Following discussion it was agreed that the position be split between the two relief staff who had provided cover during the absence of the previous employee.

Propose Cllr D P Coates seconded Cllr D Hanson.

3207 Any Other Business

No other business was discussed.

3208 Date of next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th April at 6:30pm in the Welfare Hall.