

New Earswick Parish Council
Minutes
15 April 2019
Business Commenced at 19.00 hours

Attending Councillors: Don Crawford (Chairman) (DC)
Fiona Crawford (FC)
Darren Newton (DN)
Audrey Steel (AS)
Carol Runciman (CR)
John Young (JY)

Apologies: Vic Atkins (VA)
Christine Durrant (CD)
Sue Glenton (SG)

Visitors: Two Police Representatives

Clerk/Minute Taker: Sally Bruckshaw

19.04.01 **Notices of the Meeting**

These had been posted on all notice boards and the web site.

19.04.02 **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 March, 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

19.04.03 **Police Matters**

The two Police representatives were welcomed to the meeting. They were able to give additional information relating to the March report which had been received, including the use of dispersal orders. These related to incidents of anti-social behaviour and vandalism and it was confirmed that arrests had been made.

The York and North Yorkshire Road Safety Partnership had confirmed (18.3.19) that the speed data for the area between Station Avenue and White Rose Avenue had been obtained. Further information (5.4.19) had determined that the location would be suitable for Community Speed Watch (CSW), which allowed communities to monitor speed themselves and report the information back to the Police. Members were concerned about the response they had received.

The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner had issued a questionnaire relating to future priorities for the Fire Service. Notification had also been received that the present Commissioner would not be seeking re-election.

There had been publicity relating to TV Licence fraud.

19.04.04 **Parish Council Elections - 2019**

COYC notified on 4.4.19 that there were to be no contested elections within the York area. Declarations of Acceptance of Office were circulated to Members to complete.

19.04.05 **Chairman's Business/Correspondence Received**

Meetings

27.3.19 - Community Walkabout.

28.3.19 - Meeting with JRHT Deputy Director.

29.3.19 - Photographic Society event - DC.

30.3.19 - SLCC training event - SB.

The defibrillator had been used twice since the last meeting.

Correspondence

11.4.19 - YLCA - A Guide to the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) for Parish and Town Councils.

12.4.19 - YLCA - Annual audit - Procedures for Local Councils with gross income or expenditure not exceeding £25,000 .

CPRE North Yorkshire - Annual Review.

River Foss Society - Programme of Events for 2019.

19.04.06 **New Lodge Development - External Lighting**

DC had met representatives from JRHT to discuss the concerns raised by Members and residents of White Rose Avenue. This related to concerns about the type of external lighting being used on the development and the loss of privacy. A detailed plan was to be provided to the Parish Council. Members asked when open days for the development would take place, DC to follow up.

19.04.07 **Lime Tree Avenue**

Repairs to Potholes

JRHT had confirmed that the contractor would confirm a date for the work to be undertaken shortly. Members were unhappy with the overall standard of the road and pavements in this area.

Replacement Notice Board

No further details had been received from JRHT.

19.04.08 **Review of Internal Financial Controls and Remit of Internal Audit**

It was confirmed that the effectiveness of the internal financial controls and remit of the annual audit had been considered by Members of the Finance Committee at the meeting held on 14.3.19

RESOLVED: That the internal financial controls and remit of the internal audit be accepted.

19.04.09 **Consultation on the New Code of Audit Practice**

YLCA had issued information (25.3.19) relating to the new code of audit practice.

19.04.10 **Annual Insurance Renewal**

SB was to seek quotations for the annual insurance prior to renewal.

19.04.11 **Yorkshire Local Councils Associations - Membership Renewal**

RESOLVED: That the annual membership of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations be renewed at a cost of £698.00.

19.04.12 **Grant Applications (Section 137)**

Grant applications had been received from the following two organisations:-

A **Friends of New Earswick School** - To support the activities of the annual Summer Fair to help finance the installation of outdoor active play equipment. An update on the grant awarded previously had been received (27.3.19).

RESOLVED: That a grant of £500 be awarded towards the costs of the Annual Summer Fair.

B **Friends of New Earswick Swimming Pool** - To assist with the start of the detailed improvement works required at the pool.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £1500 be awarded to towards the improvements to the pool building.

19.04.13 **Finance**

A Autela Group Limited (Payroll)	47.00 (26.3.19)
B Joseph Rowntree Foundation (Room Hire)	750.00 (1.4.19)
C Huntington Parish Council	163.20

RESOLVED: That the above payments be accepted.

The financial statement and bank reconciliation for the period to the end of March was circulated to Members.

19.04.14 **Items for the Next Meeting**

Update on new In Patient facility off Haxby Road.

Parking by contractors in resident's bays.

The next meeting would be the Annual Meeting of the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.17 hours.

Signed _____ Chairman, 20 May, 2019