

CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 7th October 2024 at Cliffe Village Institute

24/239 Present: -

Councillor G Wilson (Chairman)
Councillor H Cross
Councillor J Wallinger
Councillor R Woodall
Councillor E Yates

Two members of the public were also present

24/240 Apologies: - Councillors S Gummerson, A Holman and J Jewitt
North Yorkshire Councillor K Arthur

24/241 Declarations of Interest: - None

24/242 Public Session: -

A member of the public noted that an East Yorkshire No.18 (York to Holme-on-Spalding-Moor via Wheldrake) double decker bus regularly drops one person off on York Road, Cliffe which is not on the published bus route and queried if this was permitted due to the 7.5 tonne weight limit on York Road; **clerk** to follow up with East Yorkshire Buses.

24/243 Police Report: -

Councillor R Woodall reported that the police had been in Cliffe last weekend following up on poachers.

24/244 Listen to reports from North Yorkshire Councillor: - Not present

It was noted that North Yorkshire Councillor Karl Arthur had provided the clerk with information regarding the current North Yorkshire Council boundary review (circulated to all members) and it was agreed that the Parish Council would review the draft recommendations once published in April 2025.

It was also noted that Councillor Arthur is still in the process of setting up a meeting with **Councillor Mark Crane** within the next couple of months to discuss issues relating to planning applications both current and historical within the Parish.

24/245 Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th September 2024 (reduced agenda): -

Members **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th September 2024 as an accurate record of the meeting.

It was noted that **Councillor J Wallinger** has put a link to the Parish Council minutes on the Cliffe Community Board Facebook page as requested by a resident at last month's meeting.

24/246 Matters arising from the minutes of the above meetings: -

Damaged Litter Bin outside Cliffe Village Institute

The **clerk** reported that the replacement bin had been ordered in early August and she had chased this up twice with no response however she had now been advised that Amanda Ryder is no longer our contact for litter & dog waste bins and our request had been passed on to Joanne Hall who will be dealing with these in future; it was noted that the **clerk** had followed this up with our new contact but is still awaiting a reply.

Speeding on York Road

The **Chairman** advised that due to technical problems he had been unable to download the latest data from the Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) on York Road; **Chairman** to liaise with **Councillor J Wallinger** and if still unable to connect will report the fault under warranty.

Inconsiderate/dangerous parking on York Road at the junction with the A63

It was noted that the builders' vans are no longer parking on the West side of York Road which is making the junction considerably safer however the **Chairman** has still not received a response from Stacey Preece (North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer) to our request for consideration of double yellow lines on the West side therefore forcing all vehicles to park on one side of the road only: **clerk** to follow up.

Tree stump outside school

It was noted that we are still awaiting quotes from the chainsaw sculptors; **clerk** to follow up.
Chairman still to contact a local sculptor who has recently carried out work in Bubwith churchyard.

Broken sign at Cliffe Common Crossroads

The **Chairman** reported that the broken sign has now been repaired/replaced by North Yorkshire Council.

Fading/peeling road sign outside Cliffe Village Institute

The **Chairman** reported that the road sign has now been replaced by North Yorkshire Council.

Barbed wire over the stile on Turnham Lane

Councillor E Yates advised that North Yorkshire Council Public Rights of Way had agreed to remove the barbed wire but could not give any timescale on when this would be done.

Chairman to investigate to see if the remedial work has been done and if not, **Councillor Yates** will follow up with NYC.

Cliffe Preschool

Following concerns raised at the August meeting, the **Chairman** advised that he had spoken to Cliffe Preschool regarding their security measures and if the Parish Council can do anything to help.

It was noted that the preschool is planning on carrying out a review of their security processes and will come back to the Parish Council if they need anything.

Members had a brief discussion regarding the security of Cliffe Primary School.

Faulty Streetlight on Badgers Way reported by a resident

Councillor J Wallinger advised that North Yorkshire Council are responsible for this streetlight and confirmed that he will report it to them for repair.

Outside tap at the Village Institute

The **Chairman** reported that the Committee have agreed to fit an outside tap at the Village Institute providing that it is secure and the costs are covered by the Parish Council; **Chairman** to arrange.

Broken fence on the footpath to Newhay fishing ponds – Ongoing

Councillor J Jewitt agreed to raise this with the landowner.

Condor Engineering Group

The **Chairman** advised that the Managing Director wants to buy a discussed access track to prevent them having to drive past the nearby houses and disrupting the neighbours.

Chairman to arrange date for a site meeting and inform all Councillors once confirmed.

24/247 Highways:-

Speed Bumps on York Road & York Road Gateway

The **Chairman** read out the following update received from Stacey Preece (North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer):-

“Speed Bump Removal – I have again this week chased the contractor for the final cost.

York Road Gateway – The North Yorkshire Highways supervisor has chased the lining crew as to when they have availability as to do the silent rumble strips it is a different type of machinery.

I will keep you updated when I get any further updates.”

It was noted that the Parish Council has already accepted the quote received of £13k for the removal of the speed humps (3 pairs) and the painting of ghost humps (3 pairs plus 1 triple painted) and that following permission being granted by North Yorkshire Police, the Parish Council want speed camera warning signs to be installed as part of the

York Road Gateway on the A63 (East and West), York Road (North) and York Road/A63 crossroads, next to the 7.5 tonne weight limit sign; **clerk** to follow up with Stacey Preece.

Replacing the Give Way sign with a Stop sign at Cliffe Common Crossroads due to a lack of visibility

It was noted that no response has been received from Stacey Preece (North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer) following clarification that the request was for Cliffe Common Crossroads; **clerk** to follow up.

Traffic Calming at Lund

It was noted that no response has been received from Stacey Preece (North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer) to our request for Highways to look again at traffic calming measures for Lund; **clerk** to follow up.

Turnham Lane Speed Limit Extension

The **Chairman** advised that the speed limit extension on Turnham Lane has been completed however **Councillor R Woodall** raised concern that the new signage has been put too near the road making it narrow and causing difficulties for larger agricultural vehicles; **Councillor Woodall** to follow up with Mark Lumby (North Yorkshire Council Highways).

24/248 Speeding:- Already discussed under 24/246

24/249 7.5t Weight Limit (York Road):-

It was noted that the situation has continued to improve; Parish Council to continue to monitor.

24/250 Oxen Lane:-

Councillor J Jewitt to purchase some road scalplings that have become available (as previously agreed) and **Chairman** to follow up with Andy Pulleyne with regarding to continuing work up the lane.

24/251 Water/Drainage:-

Councillor J Wallinger advised that Preschool had flooded again during the recent heavy rain despite the installation of a new impeller; **Councillor Wallinger** has reported this again to Yorkshire Water and will continue to monitor.

24/252 Village Green:-

Councillor J Wallinger reported that the new floodlight appears to be working well, and it was noted that **Councillor Wallinger** will be planting a replacement Oak sapling on the village green next month.

The **Chairman** advised that he has spoken to a local electrician regarding future electrical work on the village green; **Chairman** and **Councillor J Wallinger** to liaise.

Chairman to pass commemorative plaque on to Parish Council handyman to install.

It was noted that the next Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board meeting is scheduled for the end of October; **clerk** to follow up on the grant funding application.

24/253 Parish Council Documents:- Ongoing

24/254 Public Footpaths: - (to include any overgrown public footpaths which have been identified that do not comply with the applicable laws/regulations): -

Councillor J Wallinger reported that **Councillor J Jewitt** has not cut back any of the overgrown public footpaths going across his land.

24/255 Grass Maintenance: - Ongoing

The **Chairman** confirmed that Meticulous Gardens will be carrying out the additional clearance/edging work agreed in October/November.

24/256 Flooding of footpath at the back of William Jacques Drive: -

It was noted that **Councillor E Yates** is in the process of arranging a site meeting with Catherine Inman (North Yorkshire Council Public Rights of Way Officer) & NYC Flood Risk Engineer to discuss the ongoing problems. It was also agreed to try and co-ordinate the meeting with the Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board and Yorkshire Water as all the issues are related; Councillors to be advised of the meeting date once confirmed.

24/257 Damaged Litter Bin outside Cliffe Village Institute: - Already discussed under 24/246

24/258 Path Maintenance: - Ongoing

24/259 Broad Lane Wood: -

Chairman still to arrange a walk around within the next few weeks and confirm date with members.

24/260 Parish Paddock: -

The **Chairman** advised that he has not heard back from Askham Bryan College about arranging an educational site visit; **Chairman** to follow up.

24/261 Little Library: -

The **Chairman** advised that Amy Wilson is painting the children's library which will be put back higher up the post and the Parish Council handyman will extend the slab underneath and repair the roof.

24/262 Village Institute Centenary

The **Chairman** advised that the Village Institute Committee are planning a centenary celebration and reiterated that the Committee are in the process of applying to the Imperial War Museum for Cliffe Village Institute to be included on the official War Memorials register.

24/263 Planning: -

a) Councillors considered the following Planning Applications received: - NIL

b) Consider Planning Applications Received not listed on the agenda: - NIL

c) Note Planning Applications Granted: - NIL

d) Note Planning Applications Refused: -

i.(ZG2024/0761/FUL) Erection of a self build manager dwelling at **Four Acres Caravan Park, Cliffe Common, Cliffe**

e) Note receipt of planning appeal against refusal of an application: -

i. (ZG2024/0567/FUL) Replacement of 5 No. approved tourer pitches with static lodges at **Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park, Turnham Lane, Cliffe**

Members discussed the refused application, and it was agreed that the Parish Council are happy with the comments already submitted and have nothing further to add; **Clerk** to reiterate the Parish Councils comments to the Planning Inspectorate

24/264 Finance: -

a) The following payments were proposed, seconded, and unanimously agreed: -

i. J Leighton-Eshelby (Clerks Salary – October) £ As Agreed

b) To approve payments not listed on the agenda: -

i. Meticulous Gardens (Grass Cutting) £ 492.00

ii. HMRC (PAYE) £ 109.40

c) To ratify payments made in between meetings: - NIL

d) Note receipt of income, as listed below: -

i. North Yorkshire Council (2nd half of precept) £ 12,545.00

e) Cliffe Playing Field Association (CPFA) Insurance Renewal: -

The clerk advised that she had received a copy of the Cliffe Playing Field Association insurance renewal (£808.08) via Councillor S Gummerson, but no financial statement has been provided as requested at the August Parish Council meeting; **Chairman** to speak to the CPFA Chairman.

f) St Marys Church, Hemingbrough Financial Contribution Request:-

The **clerk** advised that following agreement at the September meeting, she had been advised that the Parochial Church Council (PCC) can only claim VAT back on repairs to the church and not for any other services or purchases therefore the Parish Councils share of the cost has increased from £126.67 to £152.00 and this is unanimously agreed.

24/265 Correspondence Received: - NIL

24/266 Representatives Report: -

The **Chairman** advised that Cliffe Village Institute need to replace their heating system and are in the process of obtaining quotes.

It was also noted that a new noticeboard has been fitted to the exterior of the Village Institute.

The **Chairman** advised that a resident of The Maltings had raised concerns regarding inconsiderate parking. It was noted that the **Chairman** had spoken to Mark Lumby (North Yorkshire Council Highways) in the first instance who has recommended that the Chairman send in an official report to North Yorkshire Council Highways online so this can be fully investigated.

Councillor J Wallinger spoke about the Parish Council Vacancy and Policies; **clerk** to instigate the required procedures.

Councillor H Cross gave an update on the Mary Waud Foundation and the primary school's move to academy status.

Councillor E Yates spoke about road surface noise from the A63 which now seems much louder and **Councillor J Wallinger** suggested reporting the issue to North Yorkshire Council Highways.

Councillor Yates also raised the possibility of a village/boundary "Please Drive Carefully" sign for Cliffe-Cum-Lund; **clerk** to raise request with Stacey Preece (North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer).

24/267 Confirm date of next meeting: - Monday 4th November 2024 commencing at 7.00pm in CLIFFE VILLAGE INSTITUTE

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