

# CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at Cliffe Village Institute**

### **24/089 Present: -**

Councillor G Wilson (Chairman)  
Councillor H Cross  
Councillor S Gummerson  
Councillor A Holman  
Councillor J Wallinger  
Councillor R Woodall  
Councillor E Yates

Two members of the public were also present

**24/090 Apologies: -** Councillors J Jewitt and P Maw

**24/091 Declarations of Interest: -** No interests declared.

### **24/092 Public Session: -**

Mr Brian Whittaker clarified the financial position of Cliffe Playing Field Association and advised that they will be doing a leaflet drop around the village later in the year to raise interest as they are struggling for committee members.

**Councillor J Wallinger** volunteered to put a post regarding the history of Cliffe Playing Field on the Cliffe Village website; Cliffe Playing Field Association to forward the information to Councillor Wallinger.

It was noted that the Parish Council have previously covered the cost of the Playing Field insurance when requested and the **Chairman** encouraged Mr Whittaker to contact the Parish Council when the association receive their insurance renewal later in the year.

### **24/093 Police Report: -**

#### Youth related Anti Social Behaviour

The police have received a number of reports regarding youth related anti-social behaviour in the Hemingbrough area including stone throwing.

PC Richard Wood has been conducting visible, mobile patrols around Hemingbrough and the R&R Country store and reports have significantly reduced over the past 2 weeks however he would encourage people to continue to report any anti-social behaviour to the police.

### **24/094 Listen to reports from North Yorkshire Councillor: -**

Councillor K Arthur was not present at the meeting and no report received.

#### Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park

The **Chairman** advised that **Councillor Arthur** has contacted North Yorkshire Council Planning Enforcement on behalf of the Parish Council as requested but has not addressed any of the concerns raised. **Chairman** will email the Enforcement Officer directly and ask them to investigate.

It was also agreed that the **Clerk** is to ask North Yorkshire Council for clarification regarding residents that are living permanently at either Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park or The Ranch and are not paying Council Tax.

### **24/095 Confirmation of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024: -**

Members **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 as an accurate record of the meeting.

### **24/096 Matters arising from the minutes of the above meetings: -**

#### **Police Drop in Session (PC Richard Wood)**

The Chairman expressed his disappointment that no residents had attended the police drop-in session held at Cliffe Village Institute on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March despite this being widely advertised on social media. Another drop-in session will be arranged later in the year, possibly on a mid-week evening in the New Inn.

It was noted that the Chairman had reported a number of issues on behalf of residents including speeding through Lund and inconsiderate/dangerous parking on York Road at the junction with the A63.

Members discussed the possibility of requesting double yellow lines on York Road opposite Cherry Tree Stores to prevent cars parking on both sides of the road near the junction; **Chairman** to contact Highways in the first instance.

**PC Wood** will continue to monitor parking following the installation of double yellow lines on Oxen Lane (near the tennis courts) and Badgers Way.

The Chairman advised that PC Wood has also suggested creating a leaflet that can be put on the windscreens of any vehicles that continue to park on the double yellow lines similar to the one produced by Riccall Parish Council following a problem with cars parking in Riccall and getting the bus through to York; **clerk** to contact Riccall Parish Council.

#### Tree stump outside school

The **clerk** reported that **North Yorkshire Councillor Karl Arthur** had provided the contact details for Peter Murphy - Groundworks and she has contacted him for advice on any potential grants that may be available for the wood carving project; awaiting a response.

It was also noted that our new grass cutter has provided the **Chairman** with contact details of a wood carver.

#### Green Bin Collection

**Councillor A Holman** raised confusion over the new green bin collection charges and it was noted that Keir Mather MP has highlighted this in a letter sent to Councillor Carl Les – Leader of North Yorkshire Council.

It was also noted that Keir Mather has raised concern regarding the lack of representation for the Selby area on the Councils Executive as not a single Councillor represents the Selby District.

#### Station Lane

**Councillor S Gummerson** reported that Network Rail's boundary is the fence line and they have no interest in the land that runs on the southern edge of Station Lane. The Parish Council will continue to cut this area.

**Councillor J Wallinger** advised that he has reported the blocked drain that runs under Station Lane and is awaiting a response.

#### Safety concerns regarding vehicles parking on York Road

**Councillor S Gummerson** reported that he had raised the safety concerns regarding vehicles parking near the railway crossing with Network Rail but as this is beyond the single white lines that run continuous to the carriageway this is outside their remit.

Members discussed the concerns and it was agreed that the Parish Council will continue to monitor.

#### Bike Marking Event

It was noted that Rural Watch had been unable to arrange a bike marking event to coincide with the police drop in session held on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March but it is hoped that this can be rescheduled for a later date.

#### Fly tipping alongside the A63 at the back of the garages on William Jacques Drive

It was noted that the fly tipping has still not been cleared; **clerk** to follow up with North Yorkshire Council.

#### Broken sign at Cliffe Crossroads

**Councillor R Woodall** to follow up with Mark Lumby – North Yorkshire Council Highways as the broken sign has still not been replaced.

#### Selby Energy Park

It was noted that **Councillor J Jewitt** is still in the process of arranging a site meeting with Howarth Estates to discuss the crash barrier that has been erected in front of our gate restricting access to the Parish Council Pond, along with the trench that has been dug and the trees that have been planted.

#### 24/097 Highways (incl York Road traffic calming measures): -

##### Speed Bumps on York Road

The **clerk** advised that she has placed the order as per the plan supplied by the Chairman – speed bump removal (3 pairs) and the painting of ghost humps (3 pairs plus 1 triple painted); awaiting response.

##### York Road Gateway

It was noted that Stacey Preece – North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer has placed the order as agreed with silent rumble strips due to the proximity of houses nearby but no update has been received; **clerk** to follow up.

##### Village Entrance Signs for South Duffield

**Councillor R Woodall** advised that he has spoken to Mark Lumby – North Yorkshire Council Highways and unfortunately due to health and safety the Parish Council cannot install the signs themselves.

#### **Red Anti-Skid Lining**

It was noted that a road lining team were in Cliffe a couple of weeks ago but the red anti-skid lining was not put down on either side of the pedestrian crossing point (A63) as promised; **clerk** to chase up with Stacey Preece – North Yorkshire Council Highways Project Engineer.

#### **No Right Turn Sign**

It was noted that the sign to be placed opposite the exit (Whitemoor Mine) in the grass verge for no right turn due to the 7.5t weight restriction has still not been installed; **Councillor R Woodall** to chase up with Mark Lumby – North Yorkshire Council Highways.

#### **24/098 Speeding: -**

The **Chairman** advised that he had spoken to PC Wood about putting up speed camera warning signs on York Road to try and slow vehicles down and it was noted that North Yorkshire Council Highways will not put these up without permission from North Yorkshire Police; **PC Wood** agreed to chase up permission on behalf of the Parish Council.

It was also agreed that the **Chairman** would speak to PC Wood about getting permission to put speed camera warning signs on the A63.

#### **24/099 7.5t Weight Limit (York Road): -**

No further responses have been received to the letters but a reduction of HGV's using York Road was noted.

#### **24/100 Oxen Lane:**

It was noted that the **Chairman**, **Councillors S Gummerson, J Wallinger** and **R Woodall** and Andy Pulleyne had met with the (Malkiln Pond) landowner prior to the Parish Council meeting to discuss scraping back Oxen Lane and installing a French drain. Andy Pulleyne to provide a quote for the work required.

#### **24/101 Water/Drainage: -**

**Councillor J Wallinger** advised that his contact at Yorkshire Water is arranging a site meeting with their engineers on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April to discuss the ongoing issues.

It was noted that no response had been received from Keir Mather MP and it was agreed that **Councillor Wallinger** would follow this up and invite him to attend the site meeting.

#### **24/102 Village Green: -**

The **Chairman** advised that the contractor has been to measure up and the new fence panel should be installed by the next Parish Council meeting (Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May).

The **Chairman** advised that he now has the contact details for the new manager that has taken over from Nathan Culpan (Ouse and Derwent Drainage Board).

It was noted that **Councillor J Jewitt** has spoken to Andy Pulleyne and Wrights of Crockey Hill regarding the headwall; **Councillor Jewitt** to take some video footage during the next heavy rainfall and send this on to Wrights of Crockey Hill to investigate.

The **Chairman** advised he had been unable to contact the Parish Council handyman to arrange for the plaque to commemorate the Village Green opening to be fitted; **Councillor R Woodall** to ask him to get in touch with the **Chairman**.

**Councillor J Wallinger** reported that the new floodlight has been fitted but unfortunately water has got into the box and none of the floodlights are currently working; **Councillor Wallinger** to contact local electrician.

It was noted that no new mole hills have been seen.

**Chairman** to liaise with Amy Wilson regarding the commemorative plaques for the Coronation Bench.

**Councillor H Cross** to forward supplier details to the **Chairman**.

#### **24/103 Parish Council Documents: -**

A new meeting date to access the Parish Council safe was arranged for Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

**Chairman** to provide photographs of the sealed folders in advance of the meeting and **Councillor H Cross** to forward to the Parish Councils solicitor so they can establish what type of seal has been used and advise accordingly with regards to accessing the contents.

**24/104 Public Footpaths:** - (to include any overgrown public footpaths which have been identified that do not comply with the applicable laws/regulations): - Ongoing

**24/105 Grass Maintenance:** -

It was noted that our new contractor has started the grass cutting but has had to abandon it due to heavy rain.

**24/106 Flooding of footpath at the back of William Jacques Drive:** -

**Councillor E Yates** to liaise with Andy Pulleyne and Catherine Inman – Public Rights of Way Officer (Southern Area) to arrange a site meeting to discuss the flooding.

**24/107 Damaged Litter Bin outside Cliffe Village Institute:** -

The **clerk** read out the following correspondence that **North Yorkshire Councillor Karl Arthur** had sent to Amanda Ryder – North Yorkshire Council regarding the damaged litter bin:-

*“ I understand that Cliffe Parish Council has been in touch with you about replacing a damaged bin outside Cliffe Village Institute. I understand that you do not provide replacements but have been advised that they can purchase a replacement.*

*Would you be able to advise how this is done and also they may wish to move the bin slightly so that it does not get hit by oncoming traffic again, are there any restrictions on this and finally would the authority continue to empty any replacement bins?”*

It was noted that Amanda Ryder has already provided the clerk with the price list and order form however **Councillor Arthur** was meant to be fighting the Parish Councils corner as the bin belonged to Selby District Council and therefore as it was not installed by the Parish Council it should be replaced by North Yorkshire Council free of charge.

**Clerk** to follow up with **Councillor Arthur** concerning funding of the replacement bin.

The **Chairman** advised that Andy Pulleyne will be digging out the remaining plinth/debris, filling the hole and levelling it off on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

**24/108 Path Maintenance:** -

The **Chairman** advised that the new Parish Council grass cutting contractor is certified to spray weeds and has agreed to provide a quote for the work required; **Chairman** to follow up.

**24/109 Broad Lane Wood:** - Ongoing

**Councillor J Jewitt** to remove the pole that is blocking Clay Lane when the weather is drier.

**Chairman** to arrange a site visit for all councillors next month once the weather improves and the ground dries out.

**24/110 Parish Paddock:** -

Cliffe Parish Paddock Rental

The **Chairman** reported that he had received a request from a resident to rent out the paddock to graze horses and he had sent her a draft copy of the Tenancy Agreement in advance of the meeting.

Members discussed the request and concern was raised that the grass is not good quality however the potential tenant is aware of this and still wants to rent the paddock and therefore this was unanimously agreed.

**Chairman** to provide the clerk with contact details for the new tenant; **clerk** to complete the tenancy agreement and forward to the new tenant for signing.

**24/111 Little Library:** -

**Chairman** to ask the village handyman to secure the slab underneath the little library and move it higher up the post.

**24/112 Planning:** -

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

i. (ZG2024/0168/FUL) Erection of a manager's dwelling at **Four Acres Caravan Park, Cliffe Common, Cliffe Object**

- The dwelling is outside the building line
- The plans do not reflect what is perceived to be a "managers dwelling" as the proposed property is a large family house.

- The proposed dwelling is completely out of character

Reconsultation

ii. (ZG2023/1272/FULM) Development of up to 10,800sqm open storage (Use Class B8) together with associated highways works, site-wide hard and soft landscaping works, boundary treatment and associated works at **Selby Energy Park, Cliffe Common, Cliffe** Comment Only

The Parish Council reiterated the comments below which were raised previously in response to the original planning application:-

- There is no mention in the Transport Statement regarding the 7.5 tonne weight limit on York Road. HGV's are **not** permitted to turn right on to York Road and go through Cliffe village. Infrastructure must be put in place to prevent emerging HGV traffic from turning right.
- The development will result in an increase of vehicles accessing the site therefore a vehicles emerging warning sign must be installed before the bend in the interests of safety.

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

c) Note Planning Applications Granted: -

i. (ZG2023/1289/REM) Reserved matters application of approval 2020/1211/OUT Outline application for demolition of existing dwelling and redevelopment of site for up to 2 dwellings with all matters reserved at **The Laurels, York Road, Cliffe**

d) Note Planning Applications Refused: -

i. (ZG2023/1237/FUL) Replace 5 of the approved tourer pitches with static lodges at **Cliffe Meadows Holiday Park, Turnham Lane, Cliffe**

e) Note Planning Applications Withdrawn: - NIL

f) Note Planning Appeal Against Refusal: - NIL

g) Consultation on the Pre-Submission Revised Publication Selby Local Plan 2024 (Circulated to members)

It was noted that no changes have been made and it was agreed to reiterate the previous comments raised by Cliffe Parish Council.

**24/113 Finance: -**

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

i. J Leighton-Eshelby (Clerks Salary – April)	£ As Agreed
ii. Cliffe Village Institute (Meeting Hire 2024 & Police Clinic)	£ 372.40

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

i. Ouse & Derwent Drainage Board (Rates)	£ 7.72
ii. Paul Clifton (Tree work at Turnham Lane & Oxen Lane)	£ 750.00
iii. Autela (Payroll Services)	£ 78.33 (Gross) £ 13.05 (VAT) £ 65.28 (Net)
iv. HMRC (PAYE)	£ 109.40

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

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

e) Confirm appointment of Internal Auditor for Cliffe Parish Council Accounts 2023/2024

It was unanimously agreed to re-appoint Chris Phillipson as the internal auditor for 2023/2024.

24/114 Correspondence Received: - None Received

24/115 Representatives Report: -

It was agreed that **Councillor S Gummerson** will temporarily stand in as representative for Cliffe Playing Field Association and the **Chairman** will temporarily stand in as representative for Cliffe Village Institute.

**Councillor H Cross** gave an update on the Mary Waud Foundation and the schools academy status application.

**Councillor A Holman** raised the possibility of installing warning "lorries turning" signs on York Road and **Councillor R Woodall** volunteered to speak to Mark Lumby – North Yorkshire Council Highways regarding this.

24/116 Confirm date of next meeting: - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 commencing at 7.00pm in CLIFFE VILLAGE INSTITUTE.

24/117 Parish Council owned land: - Ongoing.

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