

MINUTES OF THE EAST WITTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17 May 2017 IN THE PARISH ROOM

Present

Mrs Mary Fawbert	Chairman
Mrs Michele De Vaal	Vice Chairman
Mrs Christine Dent	Councillor
Mr Richard Wells	Councillor
Ms Sarah Sayer	Clerk to the Council

Item 1 - Introduction and Apologies

Apologies received from Alan Fullerton and District Cllr. Fairhurst

Item 2 – Re-election of Members

The Chairman stepped down from the Chair and asked the Clerk to seek nominations for the post of Chairman. Cllr. Wells Cllr. Fawbert and this was seconded by Cllr. Dent. Councillor Fawbert accepted the position. The Clerk then asked for nominations for the post of Vice Chairman. Cllr. Wells proposed Cllr. De Vaal and this was seconded by Cllr. Dent. Councillor De Vaal accepted the position.

Item 3 Public Questions

None

Item 4 – Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

Item 5 - Matters arising from Minutes

Potholes

No real progress has been made following our communication since March. Richard Wells to report the issue again via NYCC website.

BT Kiosk

An enquiry was submitted to YDNPA to ask if there would be any restrictions in relation to the PC proposal to apply an external adhesive 'wrap', showing a graphically designed image of the countryside, to the lower half of the kiosk. The response advised against this without planning permission, but encouraged the Information Point use of the kiosk, and advised that internal decorative panels could be installed without pp. Going forward the PC propose to **re-paint the exterior red, board it out and look at how to present the information.**

Item 6 – Correspondence

- YDNPA – Ash Tag Project – 2 tags have been provided with instructions on monitoring.
- YDNPA – Letter regarding the BT kiosk.
- NYLCA –Transparency Fund, invitation to apply for next round of funding 2017/18
- EW Parish Room – Confirmation of booking for 08 July 2017.
- RDC – Alterations to the electoral register.
- NYCC – Richmond Area Committee – Vacancies for co-opted members. Alan Fullerton has expressed an interest.
- NYCC – Footpath Consultation – No comments as the diversion appears to regularise the line which has been taken for several years.
- St Johns Community Centre – Request for funding support. Resolved not to allocate any funds in line with the current PC policy on requests for money from charities and other bodies not directly involved within the Parish.

- Norman F Brown – Best Kept Village competition. Resolved not to nominate East Witton as a participating village. **Clerk to email Norman F Brown.**

Item 7 – Planning

Consultations:

R/89/1C – Siting of oil tank to side and oil fired boiler to rear of the Methodist Chapel, East Witton – No Comments.

Decisions:

R/89/1B – Variation of Condition 9 of R/89/1A, in respect of existing windows at the Methodist Chapel, East Witton. Conditional Approval 27.04.17

Letter sent to YDNPA regarding removal of the picket fencing outside No.46. It was concluded by YDNPA that planning permission would not be required for the owners to remove the fence. No further action can be taken by YDNPA.

Letter sent to YDNPA to enquire if the proposed graphics for the phone kiosk would require permission. Yes, if we were minded to externally wrap the image around the box, PP would be required and probably not supported in the Conservation Area. Internal shelving and use as a TIC would not require PP.

Item 8 – Accounts

The Statement of Account was read, approved and signed by The Chairman.

Expenditure (Since March Meeting)

Farm & Land Services	£ 54.00
J Harron - Accountant	£ 61.00
YLCA Membership	£118.00
S L Sayer	£219.13
HMRC	£ 54.60
Alfie Read	£ 20.00
Farm & Land Services	£153.60
YDNPA	£ 15.00
Zurich	£411.27

Receipts

YLCS	£430.71
Parish Precept	£1625.00

The balance stood at **£3,959.73**

Item 9 – Any Other Business

Tree Report Quotes

One quotation was received following an invitation to quote sent to the following 4 companies: Farm & Land Services Ltd. Aboretum Tree Services. Dryad Arbor-artists and Mr Allen, Tree Works, Gayle.

This was from Alastair Downie – Farm & Land Services. The cost of the report was quoted at £300.00. Resolved to accept the quote and go ahead with the survey.

Halloween Charity Event

The PC has received a letter from Janie Molyneux seeking permission to use the village green on 28/10/2017 from 11am to host an event in aid of the Dogs Trust.

Resolved to approve the request subject to the event being dismantled at 9pm, and the event organiser to ensure that the village green is left in a good state. R Wells to respond verbally to Janie Molyneux.

Item 10 – Date of the next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 20 September 2017, commencing at 7.30pm in the Parish Room.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY PUBLIC QUESTIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE CLERK AT LEAST 3 WORKING DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING.



Signature.....

Date.....