

MINUTES OF THE EAST WITTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11 March 2020 IN THE PARISH ROOM

Present

Mrs M Fawbert Chairman
Mrs M de Vaal Vice Chairman
Mr R Wells Councillor
Mr A Fullerton Councillor
Mrs C Dent Councillor
Mrs S Fairhurst District Councillor
3 Members of the Public

Item 1 Apologies

- a. None to note.

Item 2 To note any Declarations of Interest

- a. None declared at the time of considering Item 2, but Cllr. de Vaal declared an interest in matters raised later in the meeting, during public participation.

Item 3 Public Participation

A query was raised in respect of failure to display the agenda on the Parish Noticeboard 3 clear days before the meeting. Apologies from Cllr. Wells, who had received the Agenda late from the Clerk. Clerk to note that it is a requirement to display the Notice in a public place for a period of 3 clear days. The Agenda was placed on the website on 09 March 2020. Clerk noted apologies and omission.

The issue of the erosion of the village green adjacent to Fell View was raised and discussed. This will be an item for the next meeting, where the matter can be voted upon formally and a resolution passed in respect of what action to take. In the interim it was suggested that the Clerk should contact NYCC Highways to ask if there were any laws or bylaws relating to parking vehicles on the highway, which results in the highway width being restricted.

Item 4 Minutes

- a. The minutes of the last meeting held on 20 November 2019 were approved.

Item 5 Grass Cutting Contract

- a. Four quotations were received, from Farm & Land Services, Gareth Hastie, AG Goulthorpe and Robertsons Garden Services. Due to the need to award the contract early enough to secure a slot in the contractor's calendar, the quotes had been discussed in January at an extraordinary meeting and the contractors notified by letter/email of the outcome.

Resolved: to award the contract to AG Services, West Witton.

Item 6 Benches

- a. To discuss the design of the carved inscription and brass plaque for the hexagonal bench.

Resolved: Looked at the proof plans and agreed Option 1 for the Tour de France wording, but not happy with the Partnership Fund lettering. Clerk to request another proof from Corido Ltd.

- Item 7 Litter Bins
- a. Reviewed the issue of litter bins and thanked District Councillor Sue Fairhurst for her involvement in securing new bins for the village green.
Noted: The bin at the bus shelter had already been replaced by RDC. The two new bins on the village green have been replaced.

- Item 8 VE Day Celebrations
- a. To discuss Parish Council ideas and involvement for 08 May 2020.
Resolved: To look at providing a simple afternoon tea in the Parish Room, perhaps with an exhibition of photographs and World War memorabilia from residents. If the celebrations are to go ahead a sub-committee would be required. However, considering the coronavirus and Government advice on public gatherings, it would be easy to cancel if need be.

- Item 9 Lease of The Village Green
- a. To discuss the draft 7-year lease Agreement and agree to 50% costs with the Estate.
Resolved: Agreed to proceed on that basis. Clerk to confirm with the Estate.

- Item 10 Dog Poo on the Village Green
- To discuss on-going issue. This has been raised in the past and the dog warden had come to the village to spray paint the dog poo.
Resolved: Clerk to contact RDC and raise the issue again.

- Item 11 Correspondence
- a. To note correspondence received.

Middleham Town Council	Draft Community Emergency Plan	Wait for Middleham to adopt, and re-visit.
Diane Green	Concerns regarding 5G	Noted
RDC	Tour de Yorkshire Event Fund	No bid required this year from EWPC
NYCC	Police Fire and Crime Commission precept consultation	No comments
YDNPA	Dark Skies Reserve Status	Sent letter of support
YDNP	Local Plan – Setting the Agenda	Noted
Malton Motor Club	Notification of rally permitted by Section 13 of the Road Traffic Act 1988.	Noted
YLCA	White Rose updates	Circulated.
NY Police	Dales Police Reports – monthly	Circulated
YDNPA	Spring Parish Forum invite	R wells and M Fawbert
NYCC	Developer contributions for education consultation	Noted
YLCA Admin	VE Day invitation to service at Ripon Cathedral.	Noted
Strutt & Parker	Lease of the village green correspondence	Agree to 7 year option

- Item 12 Planning
- a. To consider planning applications received and decided.

Planning Consultations

Reference No.	Proposal	Comment	Date
R/89/103M	full planning permission for erection of agricultural building to cover an existing livestock feed area and to encompass a new area of additional space for feeding livestock at Lowthorpe Farm, Lowthorpe, East Witton	No comments	28/11/19
R/89/1D	full planning permission for creation of parking area (retrospective)	Much tidier	03/12/19

	at The Old Methodist Chapel, East Witton		
19/00825/FULL	Full PP for development of part field to form maize maze and children's play area, accessible to visitors of Brymoor Ice Cream Parlour at High Jervaulx Farm, Jervaulx	No objections.	11/12/19

Planning Decisions

Reference No.	Proposal	Decision	Date
19/00746/LBC	Listed Building Consent for a Visitors Hut for shelter and signing of Wedding Registers and demolition of existing small hut at Jervaulx Abbey, Jervaulx	Withdrawn	20/11/19
19/00593/FULL	Full Planning Permission for Extension to Form Wet Room, Inserting External Door in Existing Window Opening at The Old School House, Lowthorpe, East Witton	Granted	16/10/19
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19/00565/FULL	Full Planning Permission for Proposed Single Storey Extensions to an Existing Dwelling to Create Further Living Accommodation and Attached Double Garage with Associated Landscaping to the Existing Yard and Garden Area (Amended by Revised Plan Received 22.10.19) at Harkerbeck, Jervaulx	Granted	12/12/19
19/00745/FULL	Full Planning Permission for a Visitors Hut for shelter and signing of Wedding Registers and demolition of existing small hut Jervaulx Abbey, Jervaulx	Granted	08/01/20
19/00825/FULL	Full Planning Permission for development of part field to form maize maze and children's play area, accessible to visitors of Brymoor Ice Cream Parlour at High Jervaulx Farm, Jervaulx	Granted	28/02/20

Item 13

Finance

a. To approve payments as detailed below

Payments		
20.11.19	The Royal British Legion	£16.50
25.11.19	Farm & Land Services	£234.00
13.12.19	S L Sayer (stamps)	£30.50
13.12.19	S L Sayer (clerks salary)	£266.59
20.12.19	HMRC	£66.60
19.02.20	A Fullerton (bench fixings)	£26.97
25.02.20	TSOHOST (domain and hosting)	£49.18
28.02.20	S Sayer (bench order)	£1,294.99
02.03.20	Prices Paving and Tile Ltd	£189.00
Receipts		
	None	

b. To note budget situation as detailed below

	Budget Situation
Income to date (£3641.41) including balance b/f from 2018/19 and petty cash	£6,431.981
Expenditure to date 2019/20	(£4,696.87)
Balance	£ 1,735.04

Item 14

To note matters for information and items for next meeting agenda

- Coronavirus – If East Witton parish residents self-isolate – PC to offer telephone numbers to help with shopping, collecting prescriptions etc. Put in Bridge Magazine, on Noticeboard and on website.
- R Wells to do a Parish Council update article for Bridge magazine in relation to new grass cutting contract, bins and bench replacements.
- R Wells supported moves by Middleham TC to have a volunteer day for a town clean-up and thought East Witton could join up and do a village/riverbank clean up on the same day. Normally just before the Stables Open event.
- R Wells had heard that Leyburn Police Station was to close with staff moving into the Fire Station offices. EWPC have not been consulted.

Item 15

To confirm date and time of next meeting

Date of the next meeting is 13 May 2020 at 7.30pm in the Parish Room.
The annual meeting will precede the Parish Council meeting.