

WITHERNWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of a Meeting of Withernewick Parish Council
Held in the School room on 28th March 2012 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT: - Parish Councillors: Mr N Wilkie (Chair), Ms D Dickinson (Vice Chair), Mrs D Carr, Mr C Sharp, Mr J Mann and Mrs E Grove. ERYC: Cllr A Hodgson and Ms R Blackburn for minute 159 only.

CLERK: - Mr P L Wilson

159. COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

The representatives from ERYC summarised their work to date and commented as follows on Withernewicks 3 main concerns

- i.** Provision of a community building – funding opportunities were discussed and Ms Blackburn agreed to send details to the Clerk.
- ii.** Fly-tipping of tyres in the village – the Council assured the ERYC representatives that the issue is the dumping of the tyres. The reaction from ERYC when incidents had been reported was excellent. Ms Blackburn and Cllr Hodgson agreed to discuss with the police, potentially concerning the use of CCTV.
- iii.** Traffic management in the village - Ms Blackburn and Cllr Hodgson agreed to discuss with the police with a view to collecting evidence of problems and to investigate the possibility of extending the 30mph speed limit to past the burial ground and/or the introduction of traffic calming measures.

The Council **unanimously agreed** to these decisions and thanked Cllr Hodgson and Ms Blackburn for their attendance, understanding and suggestions.

160. PARISHIONERS QUESTIONS

There were no parishioners' questions.

161. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr M. Grove. The Council **gave consent** for Cllr Grove to be absent from this meeting.

162. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

None.

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163. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 15th February 2012 were **approved** as a true and correct record.

164. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising.

165. COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL

The Council considered the verbal report of the Clerk concerning the 2 vacancies on the Council. Parishioner Mr Stephen Croft, who was sat in attendance, asked to be considered for co-option onto the Council. This was proposed by Cllr Dickinson and seconded by Cllr Carr and **unanimously agreed** by the Council. The Council **unanimously resolved** to continue advertising the remaining vacancy.

166. FUTURE OF THE SCHOOLROOMS

The Clerk reported on the latest position, specifically on the failure to acquire the schoolrooms, the preferred choice of venues for future meetings and the issue of a permanent long-term answer. The Council **unanimously agreed** to

- i. Use the Church for meetings in the short –term, subject to cost implications,
- ii. **Instruct** the Clerk to ask Mr P Oxley to attend the next meeting to discuss the Councils representation on the Poors Charity and the possibility of the acquisition of the Charity land in the village,
- iii. Ask Cllr M Grove to investigate the leasing of the old village hall site for a new facility.

167. FINANCE

- i. The following payments were **approved**:
 - i. HAPS – Grass-cutting for March £120.80
 - ii. P. Wilson (Clerk) net pay for February - £218.49.
 - iii. HMRC (via Post Office) for PAYE deducted from February pay - £54.40.
 - iv. SLCC training day on 21 March for Clerk - £5.00.
 - v. Withernwick Methodist Account for use of premises for meetings - £91.50.
- ii. The Council **considered** the latest budget report for 2011/12 circulated by the Clerk and **noted** the estimated surplus at the year-end of £220, the variation from last month being predominantly the decision of ERYC not to charge £300 for the posts on Aldbrough Road. The Council also **instructed** the Clerk to enquire whether or not the £1,000 severe weather grant could be used for other uses such as grit bins.
- iii. Following a discussion concerning the plan for year-end closure, and in the absence of the consideration of various policies planned for at the annual parish council meeting, the Council **unanimously agreed** that the basis of accounting for the Councils accounts should be “receipts and payments”.

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168. OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION

The Clerk reported on a range of correspondence that he held details for reference. **The following decisions were made**

- i. The Clerk reported on the receipt of a letter of thanks from the church for the installation of the new steps. The Council **noted** the letter. Cllr Sharp asked for the Council to consider the potential ingress of water into the steps causing problems during cold weather. The council **requested** Cllr M Grove to consider.
- ii. The Clerk reported on a request from ERYC to attend a Street Scene walkabout in the village on 3 May 2012. The Council **unanimously agreed** that Cllr Wilkie and the Clerk would attend **(Note – subsequent to the meeting, the date was changed by ERYC to 30 April at 9.30am.**

169. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i. In consideration of a representative on the Poors Charity, the decision at minute 166(ii) was **confirmed.**
- ii. Following a verbal report of the Clerk ,the Council **considered** potential dates for the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting. It was **unanimously agreed** that they were both to take place at the Church on 30th May 2012.

170. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed that the date of the next meeting is 25th April 2012, 7.00pm.

Meeting closed 8.40pm

Signed (Chair)

Date