

Minutes of Snaith and Cowick Town Council meeting held on Monday 17 January 2022 at The Priory Church, High Street Snaith at 7pm

Present

Cllr. Laura Thompson (in the Chair), Cllr. James Hollas, Cllr. Richard Lyons, Cllr. Joanne Whiteley, Cllr. Steve Jones, Cllr. Matt Duffy, Cllr. Russ Spencer, Cllr. Gary Williams and Cllr. Caroline Fox (ERYC)

To approve the minutes of Snaith and Cowick Town Council meeting held on Monday 15 November 2021.

Copies of the minutes were circulated to council members prior to the meeting and taken as a true record of the meeting. Cllr. Gary Williams requested his offer to support with the Action Log be minuted. Proposed Cllr. Richard Lyons seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

Apologies

Cllr. Helen Miley and Cllr. Liz Sargeantson

To note declaration of Interest and the nature of such interest

Cllr. Laura Thompson

Noise – Gowdall Lane, Civic Service

Cllr. Richard Lyons

Weeland Villas

Cllr. Gary Williams

Noise – Gowdall Lane

Cllr. Steve Jones

Community Playing Field Association

All Councillors

Precept

To note dispensation given to any members of the council on the agenda

All members of the council were give dispensation to discuss and make an informed decision on Precept.

Public Participation

No Members of the public were present at the meeting.

Town Clerks Report

The Town Clerk advised the garden area of the office was undergoing maintenance.

Action Log

228 - Office Sign – Ordered– Complete

408 - Bike Repair – Follow up email sent to ERYC requesting support and advice. Noted by council members.

428 – Marios – an email from ERYC Conservation Officer advising of future actions on the property was circulated to council members prior to the meeting. Noted by council members.

444 / 445 – Bollards / Lay-by – Weeland Villas – An email from ERYC was circulated to council members prior to the meeting stating they would not install barriers or carry out any works in the area. Cllr. Richard Lyons expressed his concern regarding the issue as it has been ongoing since at least 2017.

470 – Bus Shelter, Butt Lane – The Town Clerk gave councillors figures on the social media poll regarding the installation of a Bus Shelter on Butt Lane. Cllrs requested the item be deferred to precept discussion.

494 – Road Signs – The Town Clerk advised Road Closure signs had been acquired for the Town Council use. Noted by council members.

500 – West Cowick HGV's – Cllr. Caroline Fox explained she had received numerous complaints regarding the HGV's travelling through West Cowick to the shooting school. Cllr. Caroline Fox explained she had received information regarding a second route which may be available for lorries to make deliveries. The Town Clerk advised she had been down the track and it would not be accessible for lorries. Cllr. Caroline Fox asked councillors what could be done to resolve the problem. Cllr. Matt Duffy advised he had also received complaints regarding the issue and residents just wanted to know when the works would be complete. Cllr. Caroline Fox asked the Town Council to inform ERYC of the continuous issues and upset the HGVs are causing to residents in Snaith and West Cowick. Cllr. Gary Williams proposed writing to Alan Menzies to advise of the situation and express concerns and to request a meeting with ERYC, Humberside Police, Ward Councillors and Town Councillors seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

501 – War Memorial Pole – Complete – awaiting delivery.

Covid19 Update

Figures from The Marshes Surgery were circulated to council members prior to the meeting. Noted by council members.

Town and Parish Council Charter

Information on the East Rising of Yorkshire Council Town and Parish Charter was circulated to council members prior to the meeting. All councillors present voted in favour of signing the Town and Parish Charter. Signed by the Town Mayor.

Planning Matters

Harron Homes – Works have been carried out to the area close to the play area with installation of lighting however all works had yet to be completed. Cllr. Gary Williams asked if the area had flooded due to the laying of tarmac. Cllr. Matt Duffy stated he had not seen any localised flooding. Cllr. James Hollas proposed contacting Harron Homes thanking them for the works but requesting information and a time scale on when all other works will be completed. Seconded Cllr. Matt Duffy and agreed.

Gladman / Lovell Development – Cllr. Steve Jones expressed concerns over future planning applications and developers ticking planning housing requirement boxes with leading authorities to then sell on the land for a further developer to then make changes and disregard the original planning application. Noted by council members.

Bin – Butt Lane

The Town Clerk advised a litter bin had been requested for the bottom of Butt Lane and ERYC had agreed to install at this location. Cllr. Matt Duffy proposed deferring to Precept discussions.

Play Area and Public Open Space

Joint Use Play Area – A quote for a replacement piece of equipment was circulated to council members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Matt Duffy proposed looking at other equipment which may be harder to damage in place of the spinner seconded Cllr. Richard Lyons and agreed.

Princess Diana Play Park – Bench Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed placing a new picnic bench in the Princess Diana Play Park seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

Community Playing Field – A full copy of the lease agreement was circulated to council members prior to the meeting. The Town Clerk explained the history of the playing field and the Town Councils Commitment. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed the lease includes a request for the Town Council to be invited to annual trustee meetings and the Town Council then accept the agreement seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

Traffic and Parking

Highways Response

A copy of an email from Paul Robinson ERYC was circulated to council members prior to the meeting regarding several Highways Issues in the Parish. Cllr. Richard Lyons expressed concern with the number of points outstanding with Highways on the Action Log. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed writing to Paul Bollotti (ERYC Portfolio Holder) requesting an investigation into all outstanding issues seconded Cllr. Matt Duffy and agreed.

Cowick Road – Residents Letters

Several letters from concern residents requesting a pedestrian crossing on Cowick Road near to Saffron Drive were circulated to council members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed writing to ERYC Highways again and requesting the installation of a pedestrian crossing seconded Cllr. Matt Duffy and agreed. Councillors requested a Poll be put out on Facebook asking for residents thoughts.

Car Park – East Cowick

The Town Clerk advised an application had been submitted to the Goole Wind Farm for funds to support the project.

Community Led Housing

Town Councillors confirmed they would deliver the Community Led Housing leaflets across weekend of 28 – 31 January 2022. All councillors will deliver to their designated area. With the Town Council requesting a drop box is placed in various locations around the parish for return. Noted by council members.

Items from Council Members

Overgrown Bushes – Cllr. M. Duffy

Cllr. Matt Duffy requested a letter be sent to the property whose boundary is on Lodge Lane, West Cowick requesting they remove debris after cutting back the hedge. Proposed Cllr. James Hollas seconded Cllr. Matt Duffy and agreed. Cllr. Gary Williams advised he had also received complaints regarding the same issue.

Chainsaw – Cllr. Steve Jones

Cllr. Steve Jones proposed the Town Clerk look at equipment to trim back dead wood etc. when necessary.

Noise, Gowdall Lane – Cllr. L. Thompson

Cllr. Laura Thompson played a video to councillors expressing concern with noise coming from a yard on Gowdall Lane. Cllr. Gary Williams stated he could also hear the noise. Cllr. Steve Jones proposed writing to the Environment Agency to complain about the noise and investigate seconded Cllr. Gary Williams and agreed.

Villa Fields – Cllr G. Williams

Cllr. Gary Williams advised a resident had made a complaint regarding fence damage and a request for the fence to be repaired. Cllr. Gary Williams was advised this was a personal issue to the resident and they must discuss with the adjacent land owner. Noted by council members.

Town Plan – Cllr. G. Williams

Cllr. Gary Williams asked if anything was being done with the Town Plan document. Various discussions took place regarding projects taking place or due to start in the parish. Cllr. Gary Williams asked for permission to peruse tree planning at all entrances to the parish. Agreed by all councillors.

Grant Funding – Community Advertising – Cllr. S Jones

Cllr. Steve Jones asked for claiming dates to be placed in the Goole Times for future events such as Heritage Day. Noted by council members.

Weeland Villas Footpath – Cllr. R. Lyons

Removed from the Agenda. Noted by council members.

Events

Remembrance Parade – Memorial on Beast Fair – Service / Additional memorial Bench request

It was agreed for the Town Council to place information prior to the next Remembrance Parade that a wreath will be laid at the Memorial however a service would not take place due to safety issues relating to the road closure and attendees.

The Town Clerk advised a request had been made to install a second memorial bench on Beast Fair. Councillors were happy for the installation of a bench the same as the existing bench. Noted by council members.

Christmas Market

Very well attended, points raised – residents liked the one-way system, mapex security excellent, entertainment excellent. Cllrs. wished to thank staff for their organising of the event.

Civic Service

Date change due to covid to 13 March 2022. The Town Mayor advised confirmation from Rev. Robertshaw has still to be received. Noted by council members.

Freedom of Snaith

It was agreed to set up an Events Committee meeting to agree points regarding the Freedom of Snaith. Noted by council members.

Summer Market / Jubilee Celebrations

It was agreed to set up an Events Committee meeting to agree points regarding the Summer Market and Jubilee. Noted by council members.

Grass Cutting Tender

Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed adverting the Grass Cutting Tender seconded Cllr. Matt Duffy and Agreed.

Office Reorganisation / Meeting Space

The Town Clerk requested Councillors attend the Town Council Office to look at storage and meeting options. Noted by council members.

Accounts

A full list of payment were read to council members for approval. Proposed Cllr. Joanne Whiteley seconded Cllr. Russ Spencer and agreed.

Precept and Budget

Information regarding the 2022/2023 Budget was circulated to council member prior to the meeting. Cllr. James Hollas expressed his concerns of overall inflation and pressures on the community. Various discussions took place by councillors regarding cost savings. Cllr. Laura Thompson asked each councillor for their views on 2022/2023 precept. All councillors voted for 0% increase in the precept for 2022/2023. Proposed Cllr. Joanne Whiteley seconded Cllr. Richard Lyons and agreed.

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