

Minutes of Snaith and Cowick Town Council held on
Monday 21 February 2022 at The Priory Church at 7pm

Present

Cllr. Laura Thompson (in the Chair), Cllr. Steve Jones, Cllr. Richard Lyons, Cllr. Gary Williams, Cllr. Joanne Whiteley, Cllr. Russ Spencer, Cllr. Helen Miley, Cllr. Caroline Fox and 1 member of the public.

Apologies

Cllr. James Hollas and Cllr. Matt Duffy

To approve the minutes of Snaith and Cowick Town Council meeting held on Monday 17 January 2022

Copies of the minutes were circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting and were taken as a true record of the meeting. Changes were made in line with an email from Cllr. Gary Williams. Proposed Cllr. Richard Lyons seconded Cllr. Russ Spencer and agreed.

To note declarations of interest and the nature of such interest

Cllr. Gary Williams – Cowick Road

Cllr. Joanne Whiteley – Butt Lane

To note dispensations given to council members

None

Public Participation

None

Town Clerks Report

Report of Anti-Social Behaviour in George Street. Youth on Motorbike. Humberside Police are dealing with the situation.

Flood Alert Issued for Lower Aire Catchment. All councillors given an up to date copy of the Emergency Plan.

Dog Fouling Bags - The Town Clerk advised cheaper bags were to be purchased.

Noted by Council Members.

Action Log

Grass Cutting Tender

Councillors were advised the Tender had been advertised and 5 application forms had been requested. Noted by Council Members.

Noise Complaint – Saw Mill, Gowdall Lane

An email from ERYC was circulated to Council Members at the meeting from ERYC Officer Richard Lavarack. Councillors were informed work had not taken place on site since November 2021 as the owner was waiting on new equipment. The owner has stated he wished to work with the council if any further issues arise. Noted by Council Members.

Pedestrian Crossing

Letters from concerned residents were forwarded to ERYC requesting a Pedestrian Crossing on Cowick Road. A reply from ERYC has been received stating the crossing has been listed with Traffic Management for assessment in 2022-2023. Councillors were informed of the Facebook poll which is in support of the pedestrian crossing. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed contacting ERYC thanking them for the update but include the results of the poll and the damage to the crossing on Pontefract Road, seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

HGV's through West Cowick

Cllr. Laura Thompson stated that she was becoming increasingly concerned with the lack of movement from ERYC regarding the issue. Cllr. Laura Thompson invited a resident of West Cowick to speak to the council regarding the situation. Mr Moore stated that on 21.02.2022 33 lorries travelled through to the site which is 66 trips through the village. The resident informed the councillors of a waste company working from this site is Greenscape Yorkshire Ltd. The resident informed the Town Council of various facts relating to the site. Cllr. Caroline Fox proposed writing to the following individuals at ERYC; the Leader of the Council, the Chief Executive and Portfolio Holder for Environment and Regeneration Cllr. Richard Meredith and she would hand deliver on behalf of the council. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed writing to ERYC to express the councils concerns again seconded Cllr. Steve Jones and agreed.

Completed Actions

Princess Diana Play Area

The Town Clerk advised a new bench had been installed at the Princess Diana Play Park. Noted by Council Members.

Bus Shelter

The request for a Bus Shelter on Butt Lane has been closed out due to lack of support from local residents. Noted by Council Members.

Town Charter

The Town Charter has been signed and sent to ERYC. Noted by Council Members.

Playing Field Association Lease Agreement

The Lease Agreement has been completed and agreed by council. Noted by Council Members.

Lodge Lane Debris

The Town Clerk advised the debris had been cleared away and a road sweeper was also used. The Town Clerk thanked the resident for carrying out the work.

Covid19 Update

77 Positive cases last week; 111, 111, 197 across the previous 3 weeks. Noted by Council Members

Correspondence from Residents

Grass Verge Damage – Pontefract Road, Snaith

A letter from Mr Barr was circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed Cllr. Steve Jones attend a site visit with the resident to discuss issues with the grass verge outside his property seconded Cllr. Gary Williams and agreed.

Court Road Parking, Snaith

An email from a resident regarding irresponsible parking on Court Road was circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed contacting Humberside Police and ERYC to advise of the situation and request they investigate seconded Cllr. Helen Miley and agreed.

Anonymous Correspondence

The Town Council noted they could not deal with anonymous correspondence. Noted by Council Members.

Feedback from Recent Meetings

Two Ridings Community Foundation

The Town Council have received an email regarding the community foundation fund and confirmation that the email had been distributed to community groups to apply. Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and Cllr. Richard Lyons will represent the council on the panel. Noted by Council Members.

Meeting with Community Footpath Representative

Cllr. Gary Williams stated the meeting with Mr Clarke was very productive and the council have gained some very useful information. Mr Clarke has agreed to join the Footpath Committee. Noted by Council Members.

Planning Matters

Lovells Development

Information regarding the recent Planning application deferred by ERYC was discussed. The Town Council thanked Cllr. Caroline Fox and Mr Lyons for speaking at the ERYC Committee Meeting. Noted by Council Members.

Bellway Development

Information regarding the proposed development was circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Laura Thompson asked councillors who are not on the planning committee if they had any questions on the applications. None were received. Noted by Council Members.

Play Area and Public Open Space

Information regarding the termination of the Joint Use Play Area Agreement was circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting. An email from Rebecca Valentine was circulated to council members at the meeting. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed contacting ERYC and asking them where they will give council land due to the removal of the public open space seconded Cllr. Helen Miley and agreed. Cllr. Steve Jones proposed asking for full ownership of the remaining land or the council will consider terminating the contact fully, seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

Joint Use Play Area – Replacement Equipment

Information regarding costs for a new piece of equipment was circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed removing the damaged equipment and trying to repair it, seconded Cllr. Steve Jones and agreed.

Community Led Housing Questionnaire

Information regarding the Community Led Housing was read to Council Members. The Town Clerk advised a 14.75% return on the questionnaire at this time. Noted by Council Members.

Items from Council Members

Cllr. Caroline Fox suggested that the Town Council write a Thank You to the ERYC for replacing the footpath to The Priory Church, which has been done as a gesture of goodwill following the floods in 2020. Proposed Cllr. Steve Jones seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley.

Community Land Purchase – Cllr. Gary Williams

Cllr. Gary Williams proposed investigating grant funds available for the purchase of agricultural land between the River Aire and Snaith which could be developed for community use/recreational space, seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley and agreed.

WhatsApp – Cllr. Gary Williams

It was agreed that the Town Council use the WhatsApp group for information and media purposes only and any points requiring formal actions are discussed by email. Noted by Council Members.

Footpath – Cowick Road – Cllr. Gary Williams

Cllr. Gary Williams requested the Town Council investigate flooding of the footpath on Cowick Road. Cllr. Gary Williams proposed contacting the ERYC to investigate and look at clearing gullies in the area, seconded Cllr. Joanne Whiteley.

Trip Hazard – Cllr. Gary Williams

Cllr. Gary Williams advised of a trip hazard on Footpath 23. Cllr. Richard Lyons proposed contacting Samantha McGivern to investigate seconded Cllr. Gary Williams and agreed.

Events

Civic Service

Cllr. Laura Thompson advised Town Councillors she believed now was not the right time for the Civic Service and requested councillors consider donating some of the Mayors Civic Allowance to the Mayors Charity, Young Minds.

Freedom of Snaith

Cllr. Steve Jones proposed contacting RAF Waddington and asking them for a new date for the Freedom of Snaith due to availability concerns in light of current international issues, seconded Cllr. Richard Lyons and agreed.

Jubilee Celebrations

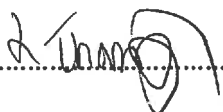
It was agreed for the Events Committee to meet 22.02.2022 to discuss. Noted by Council Members.

Office Premises

Cllr. Steve Jones proposed looking into extending the Town Council office again, seconded Cllr. Helen Miley and agreed.

Accounts

A full list of accounts was read to Council Members. Proposed Cllr. Joanne Whiteley seconded Cllr. Steve Jones and agreed.

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.....21/03/2022..... Date

