



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4 November 2024

Commenced: 07.35pm

Ended: 09.00pm

Present:

Cllr White (Chair)
Cllr Black
Cllr Buckland
Cllr Dickinson
Cllr Hainsworth
Cllr Illingworth
Cllr Jordan
Cllr Pritchard
Cllr Towns
Cllr Wright

2324/121

Introduction from the Chair

Cllr White welcomed all to the meeting. Members expressed their condolences on the passing of Cllr Hainsworth's wife.

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Public Participation

Alwoodley Climate Action Hub circulated a leaflet in which some of their projects highlighted. Ward Cllr Lyn Buckley questioned where the tree planting will be and that LCC would be consulted. Part of the presentation is to enlarge the garden area around the memorial on the grass verge on King Lane. Concern raised as to if the garden becomes an eyesore in the future who would put it back to how it is now. It was felt as long as it had LCC permission they would take responsibility for this.

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To receive any apologies and approve reasons for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Jennings and reason approved.

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Declaration of Interests

a) To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
b) To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation
None noted.

2324/125

To confirm and ratify the minutes of the council meeting held on Monday 7th October as a true and accurate record.

Resolved to approve the full council minutes held on Monday 7 October.

2324/126

Financial matters

a) To approve the schedule of payments (Appendix 1)
Resolved to approve the schedule of payments

2324/127

To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary:

a) To receive an update re the planting project (DT)
Deferred



- b) To discuss 8 step process for Alwoodley to become a Parish of Sanctuary (HK)
Discussions as to what is the next step the Parish Council needs to take bearing in mind we do not have a clerk at the moment. A small working party might be the way forward. It was also stressed that the sanctuary offered is to all people.
- c) To receive an update on the Community energy project
Request to use the ACA as a postal address. There is a meeting on the 5th November with the ACA to discuss / approve this.

2324/128 To consider matters requested by Councillors and agree any necessary action

- a) To receive financial update
This will be circulated to councilors when available.
- b) To consider grant applications as required
None reported
- c) To consider the financial limit for grant awards
The current limit is £1000. It was proposed the £1000 limit remained but that the council might consider one off larger grants if they can show a greater benefit to the Parish. So the greater the grant the more information will be required. Only one grant per financial year was possible.
- d) To consider additional playground equipment (RH)
Cllr Hainsworth suggested a traversing wall. Concerns were raised on it being a wooden structure which may be costly to maintain and may also not meet safety requirements.
- e) New addresses are ready to go. Cllr White advised that details would be circulated later.

2324/129 To receive updates from the Parish Council's working parties and agree any necessary action including the following:

- a) To receive an update from Environmental and Bio-Diversity Working Party
There had been a meeting with LCC footpaths officer Bob Buckingham to request an improvement to the Crag Lane footpath. It was agreed this could well be done but LCC would want probably want financial support from the Parish Council.
- b) Any other working party
Staffing: Lengthsman/Ranger role to be advertised as a self employed role. Advert for a new clerk to be agreed and advertised through the Yorkshire Association and National Association. It was agreed the successful candidate should have experience of being a clerk and must have, or be actively working towards, a qualification.

2324/130 To receive an update from the Ward member

It was reported the bin outside Cooplands on King Lane needs renovating. Cllr Lyn Buckley agreed to look into this.

2324/131 To receive an update from members representing external bodies.

None reported

2324/132 To receive an update from the Planning Committee

Cllr Towns reported there were no planning applications requiring action by the Plans Panel.

324/133 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

None

2324/134 Chair's remarks and correspondence



The Chair had nothing to report.

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To confirm the date of the next meeting on 6th January 2025 at 7.00pm
Resolved that the next meeting will be held on 6 January 2025 at 7.00pm.