

## Draft Minutes

The Meeting of Bellerby Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on

**Monday 20th March 2017 at 7.30pm**

## Minutes

The meeting was attended by the clerk Lynn Watkinson

Councillors Hutchinson, Chilton, Rycroft, Scriven & Travell.

## Procedural Matters

## 1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Chilton had sent his apologies as he would be late.

District Councillor John Amsden had sent his apologies.

## 2. "To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

None.

## 3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting

All present agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting and the Chair duly signed them.

## 4. Public questions, comments or representations (limited to 10 minutes)

None.

**Business Matters**

## 5. Matters arising from previous minutes and clerks report and approve actions required

To receive an update on obtaining landowners signature on agreement to progress Footpath Works

Written consent has now been received from all landowners however the maximum grant available from Lafarge has reduced to £20,000. Cllr Rycroft asked the clerk to inform both Brian Mullins and Neil Linfoot of North Yorkshire County Council. Sustrans & Rishi Sunak MP would be contacted to determine any available funding streams and suggest a meeting.

The clerk would prepare a letter for circulation to those groups that have previously offered funding to update them and request confirmation of funding available. A letter would also be prepared to circulate to groups to request funding for the project.

To receive an update on the Matrix sign application.

Cllr Hutchinson had contacted Darren Griffiths to clarify the process for sharing the Matrix sign. Harmby and Middleham would again be contacted as they had previously expressed an interest in sharing. Leyburn had also expressed an interest in sharing.

**CONFIRMED: agreement to proceed with the application.**

To discuss the request for a permanent Christmas Tree on the Village Green from Bellerby Open Gardens and Events group.

Concern was expressed that a planted tree would become the responsibility of the Parish Council in the future. Also as there are various utilities running under the green and there was a concern that the tree may affect them or servicing the utilities may result in damage to the tree.

**RESOLVED: that the clerk write to David Miller to decline permission for a permanent planting.**

To discuss progressing the Parish Council website towards compliance with the Transparency Code.

The clerk reported that a meeting had been arranged to progress the website and confirmed the attendance at the Transparency Code Compliance meeting on the 21st March 2017.

To consider the tenders for Parish Insurance following the closure of the Small Parish Insurance Scheme.

Tenders were considered from Came and Company and Zurich Insurance.

**RESOLVED: to proceed with insurance cover with Zurich Insurance for 2017.**

To consider the proposed dates for meetings 2017 – 2018.

**AGREED.**

To consider a request of purchase of a double burial plot.

**GRANTED.**

To sign the Transfer of funds letter from HSBC to the Co-op

**SIGNED.**

To consider feedback to the change to Electronic Planning Applications

It was accepted that the change to the planning process was inevitable and would be taken into account when the Parish Council laptop was purchased. The Memorial Hall Committee would be approached to see if they would consider seeking a grant to install Broadband in the Hall.

To consider the quote for the Telephone Kiosk

It was decided that the clerk should contact Patrick Brompton Parish Council to enquire about their funding source and who had completed the work.

**BOGEG Website**

The Parish Council was concerned that a second website gave the appearance of a divided community. They felt that as the village had received funding for a website it would give a better appearance for grant applications if the sites were linked.

**6. Clerks report on meetings attended and training undertaken**

YLCA Richmondshire Branch Meeting – please see Clerks Report

**7. Correspondence received since last meeting and approve actions required**

The Rotary Club of Richmond were again running the Best Kept Village Competition. It was agreed that Bellerby would take part.

North Yorkshire County Council had sent out an update re the Common Land Register for the land held by the Bellerby Freeholders Association. Len Scott to be notified.

**8. To consider planning matters**

None

**9. Authority to pay**

Opening Balance General Account: £6022.49 (including £1275.30 ring fenced grant money).

Jane Travell	£17.24	135	100009	Speed signage
Richmondshire District Council	£20.00	136	100010	Garden Waste Collection Service
Richmondshire District Council	£174.72	137	100011	Play Park Maintenance

