**HILLSIDE PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Hillside Parish Council held at Boltby Village Hall on Tuesday 12th March 2024.**

**Present**: Cllrs Colin Mather, Tracy Thompson, Shiela Ashby, Dorothy Fairburn; Cllr Baker (NYC)

**Clerk**: Siobhan Hunter

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| 24/11 | **Welcome and apologies –** No apologies received |
| 24/12 | **Approve minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 9th January 2024 and 23rd January 2024 as a true and correct record –** approved and signed by the chair, Cllr Mather |
| 24/13 | **Matters Arising –** * Cllr Fairburn update regarding the commemorative tree to be planted in regard to Cllr Furness’s long service as chair to the Parish Council has been agreed as a Red Oak. The position and planting of the tree is to be confirmed.

**ACTION** – clerk to check minutes regarding length of service * 24/08 SNECK yet car park – Siobhan Hunter had approached North Yorks national park but has received no response.

**ACTION** – clerk to chase NYMNP  |
| 24/14 | **Update from Cllr Baker** 1. NYCC will not be collecting Xmas trees this year as part of green bin collection.
2. Reminder that ID will be required to present at polling stations at the election being held on 2nd May 2024
3. Increase in NYCC council tax. Hambleton area will see the biggest rise in the NYCC area.
4. Surgery at Easingwold will be held on 5th April 2024
5. Crosby Road bridge closure has been moved to April 2024

*Questions** *Is NYCC saving any money with the amalgamation of the district councils?*  Yes money is being saved and the buildings owned by NYCC are being reduced but the process is slow.
* *Cllr Mather queried a planning application which was still showing in the system as awaiting decision but has been in the process since May 2022.* Cllr Baker will look into this*.*

V1**. Felixkirk village sign** – the cost of repairing or replacing the sign is the responsibility of the Parish Council although this can be funded from the Councillor Locality Budget which runs from April 2024 – March 2025. Some quotes were produced to repair the sign or to rebuild the sign more in accordance with the status of the village. Siobhan Hunter asked if the sign was to be replaced with a stone-built sign would planning permission be required? The sign currently is quite unstable and potentially poses a risk to traffic. **ACTION** – Cllr Baker to report back to the parish council regarding the risk to traffic posed by the current sign and whether a stone sign would need planning permission from NYCC.  |
| 24/15 |  **Consider the financial position:*** Barclays mandate has been approved. The Parish Council require 2 signatories so it was agreed that a further signatory would be added to the mandate. Cllr Fairburn agreed to be the further signatory.

**ACTION** – clerk to contact Barclays and have Cllr Fairburn added to the mandate* A PAYE account has been registered with HMRC they had responded that they were very busy but to not delay any payments to employees. Employers liability insurance is required from any employer so clerk to continue to investigate the liability of the Parish Council.

ACTION – clerk to continue to obtain quotes for any insurances needed.  |
| 24/16 | **Consider planning applications and decisions:** **ZB23/01365/FUL** Construction of car port with store and additional area of hardstanding as amended by revised plans received 31 October 2023 and 8 November 2023 1 Church View Felixkirk Thirsk North Yorkshire Applicant: Mr Michael BreareyDecision – Granted |
| 24/17 | **Update regarding Boltby Reservoir:*** The land is currently owned by the Place family (or family trust). A local business had been approached by the family’s solicitors, Latimer Hinks, to seek interest to purchase. Siobhan Hunter produced a typed note relaying a telephone call with Lisa Wilson from NYCC. The request to have the land around and including the reservoir marked as an asset of community interest was discussed with Lisa and the typed note was detailing the process required to have the land earmarked.
* Cllr Baker made some suggestions as to how the land could be utilised by the community in an effort to obtain grants to be used for the purchase.
* No further information is available at this present time regarding purchase costs or the extent of the land for sale etc
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| 24/18 | **Consider any correspondence –** none received |
| 24/19 | **Any other business** * Data North Yorkshire is now up and running. The agenda has been uploaded to the site.
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| 24/20 | **To confirm date and time of next meeting** **Tuesday 14th May 2024 at 7pm Boltby Village Hall**  |

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:50pm minutes prepared 19/03/24