**Dalton Parish Council Annual General Meeting**

**Record of Minutes**

Dalton Parish Council Annual General Meeting Wednesday 9th May 2024 7.30pm

**Present:** Councillors: K. Croft (Chairman)

C. Parker-Eland

D. Spence

D. Sladden

Clerk: D. Pearson-Briggs

Members of the Public: 3

Meeting opened at 7.30pm by K. Croft (Chairman)

**Meeting recordings**

Chairman, Cllr Croft announced to all that the meeting will be audio recorded as a matter of record.

**Para 1: Apologies for Absence**

Cllr. R. Balderston

**Para 2: Approve Annual Governance Statement by Resolution**

Annual Governance Statement approved by resolution and signed by the Chairman.

**Para 3: Approve Annual Accounting Statements, Sign and Date by person presiding**

Accounts will be sent to our internal auditor for checking by the end of June.

**Para 4: Election of New Officers**

Chairman Mr. K. Croft Proposed by Chris Parker-Eland

Seconded by David Spence MOTION CARRIED

Vice Chairman Mr. C. Parker-Eland Proposed by K. Croft

Seconded by David Spence

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer D. Pearson-Briggs (clerk) Clerk is tasked with being the RFO

**Para 5: Minutes of last meeting**

Minutes of our last annual meeting were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record by the Chairman and Clerk at the PC meeting on 22/06/23. Minutes of our last meeting were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record by the Chairman and Clerk at this meeting.

**Matters Arising**

**Para 6a: Playing Field**

The playing field has had a few cuts so far and is looking good. Ian Donaldson has let us know that he will no longer be able to help us out with repair work on the playing field and around the village. We’d like to thank Ian for the work he has carried out. Richard Clark has approached the chairman with regards to helping throughout the village. We have a number of seats and fences that require some work. We will get his contact details and the chairman will contact him and discuss what is needed.

**Para 6b: Public Lighting**

Lamp reported in the last few meetings by the church is still on, this will be reported again.

**Para 6c: Highway Matters**

Dalton Lane to Topcliffe has had some work carried out recently. The chairman took Cllr Sladden (present) through a brief history of our issues with Highways. Cllr Sladded will contact Cllr Spence over the next few days, and together they will cover the whole village to bring Cllr Sladden completely up to date.

Grass cutting; various spots throughout the village have been cut recently, but we are not sure by whom.

We don’t think it was SGS. Paul, from SGS, has told the chairman that it is very difficult/impossible to cut/clear the emergency road out of Harriers Croft as it is full of bikes and play pushchairs etc.

**Para 6d: Village Beck**

The beck is flowing well through the village. The bank and sides may need doing, last year it was Ben Rymer that did this for us. This will be monitored going forward.

**Para 7: Planning applications**

ZB24/00842/DCN – Shepherds Cottage, demolition of the garage, to be replaced by single story extension housing two bedrooms. And a kitchen/ and utility extension to the rear of the property. Cllr Spence declared an interest in this application and left the room for it to be discussed. No Objections.

ZB22/02156/DCN – Land west of Dalton Motors. Application for approval of details reserved by condition 28 (noise impact assessment) for previously approved application ref ZB24/00221/MRC.

22/02156/OUT – variation of conditions.

ZB24/00718/FUL – Hilltop Dalton. Revised application for a detached dwelling following outline approval. No objections.

ZB24/00643/FUL – Change of use of former public house to convenience store and 3 ground floor apartment and 2 first floor apartments. The Moor and Pheasant. We are concerned that the planning for a store in the old snug would be too small to sustain a business long term and would expect more applications to follow should this be approved. We are unable to comment on future applications at this point so currently we have no objections.

ZB24/00376/LBC and ZB24/00375/FUL - Paradise farm. Listed building consent to redevelop existing agricultural brick barn to include demolition, new openings, mezzanine floor and associated works. 2 to 1 no objections.

**Para 8: Treasurer’s Report**

The accounts have been prepared and are with Teresa Hodgson for auditing.

£110 for Ian Donaldson for works carried out.

£300 for Cleancore

£959.02 for Zuric insurance.

£154.77 for Richard Hudson (present) for the planting work carried out so far on Harriers Croft. Cllr Sladden has a locality budget which could contribute/reimburse DPC. Cllr Sladden will contact Richard H.

No payments in.

**Para 9: Clerk’s Report**

Defib at the Jolly Farmer was bleeping (low battery). The case was left open and was losing charge, this has been closed now to see if this solves the issue.

John Robinson (present) highlighted The Circuit website which allows you to register defibrillators to keep track of inspections etc. Cllr Sladden asked to be contacted if we do need other batteries/pads as he could put us in contact with a group who could help.

**Para 10: Chairman’s Report**

We have been approached regarding the trees between the village hall and the house next door. There is a concern that one of the trees has died. The chairman contacted Paul Ellis, who came out to look at them. He reports that they are not dead, they do have some dead branches, but the tree is alive. He recommends leaving it a couple of weeks to assess. Regarding the ivy, A ring will be cut around the tree so the ivy will die off. If work is to be carried out the chairman will contact the owner of the house beforehand. We also have 3 trees along the front that will need to be looked at. We need to paint the edge of the step at the bus shelter, two highlight that it’s a step. The chairman will add this to the list for Richard Clark. We recently put a notice out for a new Parish Council, as we are currently able to co-opt into this position. John Robinson, who has lived in the village for more that 6 years has applied and has been accepted to the position. The clerk will organise the paperwork for John to fill in for registration.

**Para 11: Any Other Business**

Cllr Sladden raised the issue that Sessay has been having with drainage problems, and that these have had an affect on Dalton. This is because the tankers emptying Sessay drains have been putting their contents into the pumping station on Willow Beck Lane, day and night. Yorkshire Water have acknowledged that they need to put right all the damage the have cause in Sessay to the roads etc. If we feel that damage has occurred in Dalton, we are to contact Cllr Sladden. The road condition will be looked at when he walks the village with Cllr Spence. Yorkshire Water had identified some hole in the system that has been letting in surface water and will be fixing these.

**Date of next Annual General Meeting TBC**

**Date of next council meeting 20th June and 1st August**