

## CARLTON MINIOTT PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of Carlton Miniott Parish Council held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in external classroom to the rear of Carlton Miniott CP School**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs C Ridsdale, M Nickson, J Nickson & M Porteous

C/Cllr G Dadd & D/Cllr J Watson

**1) COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

No members of the public present.

**2) TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr A Colls (Cllr C Ridsdale chaired the meeting in her absence)

**3) TO RECEIVE COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**

**D/Cllr Watson** – advised that the **Dog & Gun** application would be heard at the next planning committee meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> March – if anyone attends and wants to speak they need to register prior to the meeting, Cllr Porteous said that he would attend on the PC's behalf.

**Railway Station** – she had spoken to Network Rail re having a skip placed ready for a litter pick. They weren't keen on this in respect of Health & Safety issues plus a Risk Assessment would have to take place. Apparently they will bring in a contractor once their budget is sorted at the start of their year.

**P/Liaison meeting 31<sup>st</sup> March** – an Environment Agency rep will speak.

**Council Tax** – there will be a £5 rise in the annual rate – the figures are due to be set on Thursday.

**LHAG** – the prospects of it re-opening are not looking good – a letter has been sent to South Tees Health and reply is awaited.

**C/Cllr Dadd – LHAG** a letter has been sent to South Tees asking for an open meeting to be arranged so that the Trust's new head can talk to the public. Not looking too hopeful as only 6 staff would be needed to man the hospital. Can understand specialist care patients being sent to James Cook but end of life/palliative care would be better carried out locally.

**Tour de Yorkshire** – meeting being held today to discuss how the area will approach this. Cllr M Nickson raised the issue of the **Thistle Dhu** application and the letter sent to HDC by Joplings (included a comment re the district council suggesting the applicant put in an outline application). He was concerned that a wedge is being placed between the district & parish councils.

C/Cllr Dadd responded that this might have been because the applicant had asked a lot of questions about what they could do on the land. It's possible the application could go to appeal.

**County Council** – when provisional settlement came out would have had to use reserves managed to get an adjustment to the settlement. Will still need to find savings each year. 4% council tax – 2% for Adult Social Care and 2% for county. Will need to re-visit the services being provided and review them. Will do their best to protect the care given to the vulnerable. Increase in tax is a reluctant rise.

**District council** - £5 per rise is needed to maintain services (approx. 5.6%)

Pay policy set last year – for majority of staff offer of 2% if sorted out locally which decided not to take up. A small number were offered 10% fixed for four years – voted against this as doesn't send a good message out as living in times of austerity. Independent review panel recommendation was set before the last election – all allowances for councillors to be set for a full term of office – possibly didn't know that the top nine staff could have their pay rise decided by the district council.

Cllr M Nickson raised the question of gritting on the A61 recently – it was like an ice rink at around 6.30 in the morning – still the same a couple of hours later. Cllr Dadd will raise this with highways.

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### 4) TO RECEIVE MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2016 had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr M Nickson and seconded by Cllr Porteous that they be signed as a true record and agreed thereupon.

### 5) MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING

- a) **Parish Notice Board** – paperwork has been received from the Church regarding the faculty – this has to be displayed in the village for a period of 28 days to allow for any objections then returned to York for a final decision.
- b) **Busby Stoop Roundabout** – still waiting to hear from Highways
- c) **Clean for the Queen** – it was agreed that this would take place on 5<sup>th</sup> March between 10am & 12 noon
- d) **Any other matters arising** – None

### 6) TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **Hambleton Parish Liaison Meeting** – will take place on 31<sup>st</sup> March at Stone Cross in Northallerton
- b) Any **other items received** - none

### 7) PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

None received

### 8) PLANNING APPLICATION NOTICES RECEIVED FROM HDC

- a) **Plot 40 Kingfishers Way & 14-26 Kingfishers Way Trees** – Granted
- b) **Thistle Dhu, Sandhutton Lane** - Refused

### 9) TO RAISE ANY HIGHWAY MATTERS

Nothing raised

### 10) APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS

- a) S Almack – for cleaning the bus shelter - £7
- b) NYCC CMCP School – Room hire - £12
- c) Parish Clerk - Salary - £95.51

Approval proposed by Cllr J Nickson and seconded by Cllr Porteous and agreed by all present.

### 11) TO RECEIVE CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Cllr Porteous – said that Virgin trains were reported to be adding another four trains a day to their timetable, he was wondering if they might be persuaded to have one or more stop in Thirsk.

### 12) TO RECEIVE OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST.

- a) **Defibrillator at Carlton Lodge** – Cllr Ridsdale advised that there would be a demonstration in April for anyone to attend and see how it works.
- b) **Scarecrow competition** – discussion took place about perhaps changing the format of the competition and perhaps making it a Christmas theme at the end of the year. Proposed by Cllr Ridsdale that the format be Christmas lights and take place in December, seconded by Cllr J Nickson and agreed by all.

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**13) DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016**

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cllr A Colls (Chairman)**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_