

LITTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting
held on 21st November 2022 at 7pm in Litton Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllr Robinson in the Chair
Cllrs N Gregory, T Howe & C Saxby

IN ATTENDANCE: G Turner, Clerk
District Councillor Gamble

2586 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted by Councillor Brunt, who was unable to attend due to illness and Councillor Rooke who was on holiday.

2587 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared for agenda items.

2588 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

2589 MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

There were no agenda items that required the exclusion of members of the press and public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1.

2590 MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17th October and Extraordinary Meeting held on 7th November 2022

RESOLVED: That the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes of the monthly council meeting held on 17th October as being a true and correct record.

IT WAS ALSO RESOLVED: That the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 7th November as being a true and correct record.

2591 ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

-2497 REPLACEMENT BENCHES

The Clerk reported that she had heard from the donors of the new bench for Litton Village Green and they are waiting to speak with Andrew Marper regarding installation.

Councillor Robinson stated that she had spoken with Andrew Marper regarding the second bench to be purchased for the green near Litton School and that he was willing to undertake the installation.

-2540 DEVELOPMENT OF LAND ABOVE RAVENSDALE COTTAGES

The Clerk informed members that she had chased PDNPA for an update on the development of land above Ravensdale Cottages but had still not received a response.

-2549 DEFIBRILATOR LOCATION

The Clerk informed members that County Councillor Sutton had agreed to fund the cost of the new batteries and pads for the defibrillators from the members' Community Leadership Scheme.

IT WAS RESOLVED: That Councillor Robinson will arrange for the pads and batteries to be replaced and the invoice for costs to be forwarded to the Clerk.

2592 FINANCE

(a) Accounts for payment

The Clerk submitted a schedule of payments in the sum of £960.42 for approval.

IT WAS RESOLVED: That the schedule of payments be signed and the accounts to which they relate be paid.

It was noted that the current account balance as at 21st November 2022 was £6,425.70 and the reserve account balance was £10,317.39.

(b) Budget 2023/24

The draft budget and precept demand for 2023/24 was circulated to members.

IT WAS RESOLVED: That the budget be amended in the manner discussed for final sign-off at December's full council meeting.

(c) Bank Signatories

IT WAS RESOLVED: That the Clerk will find out whether the new bank signatories have been successfully added to the bank account.

2593 CEMETERY REGULATIONS AND FEES

A draft 'deed of surrender of right of burial' was circulated to members along with revised wording for paragraph 10 of the cemetery regulations.

IT WAS RESOLVED: To adopt the 'deed of surrender of right of burial' and the revised wording for paragraph 10 of the cemetery regulations.

IT WAS AGREED: To increase the cemetery fees for 2022/23 by 5% rounded up to the nearest £1.

IT WAS ALSO AGREED: To put cemetery plot pre-purchase terms on the December agenda.

2594 PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK OFF STREET PARKING PLACES - CHARGING CLARIFICATION FOR RAVENSDALE AND UPPERDALE

It was noted that Derbyshire County Council (DCC) has confirmed that under the Peak District National Park (Off Street Parking Places) (Amendment) Order 2022, Upperdale car park will remain free.

Councillor Gamble agreed to check with DCC that this will also apply to Ravensdale car park.

2595 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY MINOR MAINTENANCE CLAIM 2022-23

IT WAS AGREED: To ask the Footpath Officer when the Council might expect his report.

2596 NEW COUNCILLOR TRAINING

IT WAS AGREED: That the new Councillors will attend the next available Councillor Essentials training by DALC.

2597 CRESSBROOK WAR MEMORIAL AND ADJACENT LAND

The Clerk informed members that she had submitted the relevant forms to Land Registry and was now awaiting confirmation that the transfer of ownership of the War Memorial to the Parish Council had taken place.

2598 PLANNING APPLICATION

Application Number - NP/DDD/1122/1418

Site address - 4-5 Dale Cottages, Litton Dale, Litton

Development Description - Proposed alterations and extension of dwelling.

IT WAS RESOLVED: To support the revised planning application.

2599 SNOW WARDEN SCHEME

Councillor Robinson stated that she was happy to act as Snow Warden again for winter 2022/23 and will complete the necessary forms.

2600 USE OF FACEBOOK

IT WAS AGREED: That the Council's Facebook page should be closed as it merely duplicates information already posted on the villages Facebook pages.

2601 COUNCILLOR VACANCY

It was noted that an expression of interest had been received in respect of the casual vacancy from a resident.

IT WAS RESOLVED: To send the interested resident the declaration of eligibility form, per the Council's co-option policy.

2602 CORRESPONDENCE

It was noted that the following correspondence had been received by the Clerk and circulated to Councillors.

An email was received from the Secretary to the Diocesan Mission & Pastoral Committee asking for the views of the Parish Council regarding the possibility of the closure for public worship of the church of St Anne in Millers Dale.

IT WAS AGREED: That the PCC of the Church of Millers Dale St Anne must do whatever

it feels is best.

It was noted that DALC's November newsletter was circulated to members via email.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm.