

MINUTES OF THE BYLAND WITH WASS AND OLDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 20TH MAY 2019

1. ATTENDEES

Cllr.P. Gilruth. Cllr. R. Statham. Cllr. C. Bradley. Cllr. H. Metcalfe. Mrs. J. Clarke (clerk).

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr. P. Gibson

3. NOMINATION OF CLLR. R. STATHAM AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr. P. Gilruth informed the meeting that he was stepping down from the position of chairperson of the Parish Council and proposed that Cllr. Statham should take up this position. Cllr. Metcalfe seconded this proposal.

Cllr. Statham will take up the role of chairperson of the Parish Council immediately.

Cllr. Statham thanked Cllr. Gilruth on behalf of Wass for his commitment and outstanding work for the village. Cllr. Metcalfe offered thanks to Cllr. Gilruth on behalf of the residents of Oldstead.

4. MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 21st January were accepted as a true record and signed by Cllr. Gilruth.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1. PARISH PORTAL

Mrs. Clarke informed the meeting that the NYCC Highways Department have simplified the system for reporting faults on the highways. She has been notified that all the Byland with Wass and Oldstead councillors have registered on this system so that faults can be reported with a photograph if necessary (from a smart phone). However, Mrs. Clarke is to check that all councillors have registered.

5.2. TELEPHONE KIOSK

Cllr. Bradley said that supplying bags for dog owners to remove and dispose of their pets' excrement has worked well. Cllr. Bradley and Mrs. J. Marchant have agreed to clean the telephone kiosk before Open Garden day.

5.3. FINANCE

5.3.1. BALANCE

Mrs. Clarke informed the meeting that the balance stands at £5275.74

5.3.2. ANNUAL RETURN

The Annual Return prepared by Mrs. Clarke was circulated to the Parish councillors. Cllr. Bradley proposed that this was correct and the motion was seconded by Cllr. Metcalfe.

The relevant sections were signed by Cllr. Gilruth.

6. PLANNING

MELROSE COTTAGE, WASS.

No objections were raised by the Parish Council for the creation of a new drive.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1. VILLAGE HALL ACCOUNT

Cllr. Gilruth informed the meeting that the account stands at £14, 295.28. The balance sheet (given to Mrs. Clarke) will be filed with the financial records of the Parish Council.

7.2. VILLAGE WEBSITE.

Cllr. Bradley outlined a scheme to set up a website for Wass which would hold information relevant to Wass – for example, dates of Parish Council meetings, church services, Open Garden Day.

Cllr. Statham and Cllr. Gilruth agreed that it would be a good idea but that it was a village matter, not a Parish Council matter.

8. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Parish Council will meet on Monday 21st October at 7.30 p.m. The precept for the following year will be decided on this date.

Jenny Clarke

Parish clerk