

# Scagglethorpe Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Councillor Maureen Danby-Smith.

Councillors present: Linda Waslidge(LW), David Ackroyd(DA), Paul Prichard(PP), Paul Douthwaite(PD), Janet Bates(JB), Ben Harris. Also present clerk David Sonley(DS) and, for part of the meeting, Bridget Scaife, RDC Community Officer

### 2. Minutes of the last meeting

Accepted and signed by the chairman

### 3. Matters Arising

Road Cleaning (minute 3.2). RDC had cleaned a section of the road outside Scagglethorpe Manor as this had been specifically requested, but the meeting thought it strange that they had not attempted to clean other areas in obvious need of attention. The storm drain cover had been replaced in the old A64.

Dog Waste Bin(3.3). This had been purchased and is now in place. The clerk has not yet contacted the person who offered to sponsor it to recover the costs.

Electricity cables fouling trees at Southwood(8.). The cable had been inspected and a shield had been fitted.

### 4. Correspondence/Clerk's Report

**4.1** An email had been received from a nearby resident regarding the purchase of a defibrillator for the village. The resident had requested approval from the PC to hold fund raising activities. The meeting felt that the event should receive approval, and that the PC should make and maintain contact as it would have to assume responsibility for the installed equipment. There will be ongoing costs such as a continuous power supply and battery replacement. It was resolved that JB will contact the organiser and report back to the Council.

**4.2** NYCC had created a portal for use by Councils to report road issues. The Clerk will pass on login details to the Councillors once he has it working for himself.

**4.3** Following a suggestion from Settrington PC, Emails had been exchanged with Kean Duncan, the RDC councillor for our ward, regarding the suggested Beverley Road (B1428) to A64 link which would bypass the bottle neck in Norton. This initiative appears to have stalled. The PC was concerned that the route through our village will become the alternative B1248 access route instead.

**4.4** The clerk read out an RDC communication regarding the Chairman's charity fund. It was resolved that the PC would not make any donation to this fund.

**4.5** Plunket foundation. The Clerk had received a notice from this Charity which provides assistance for community co-operatives. As it was unlikely that there would be any community funded enterprises in this area, the Council expressed little interest in this organisation.

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## 5. Planning applications

There were no planning applications for consideration.

## 6. Financial Statement

The Clerk presented the financial summary which was approved by the meeting. It was noted that the installation of energy efficient bulbs had reduced the annual street lighting electricity bill by about £270.

## 7. Presentation by Bridget Scaife, RDC community Officer

Bridget described the structure of the team and that her department covered a wide range of activities previously handled by several different parts of the organisation. By allocating community officers serve specific geographical areas it would be possible to build up more detailed knowledge of each area, provide a channel to resolve issues and therefore more visibility of the council to the community. For Parish Councils it would provide one point of contact for all interactions with RDC.

## 8. Any other Business

NYCC had sent a poster for our noticeboard advertising a consultation period for alternative means of disposing of hazardous household waste. Rather than the councillors taking a collective view, It was suggested that we should each complete the online questionnaire.

## 9. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November in the Village Hall at 7.30.

*D R Sonley, Parish Clerk*

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*Signed by*

*Chairman of the November 2017 Meeting*