

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 11th December 2017

At

7.15 in Saint Aidan's Church

1. Attendance

a. In attendance

Councillor I Goldthorpe	(Chair)
Councillor A Walker	(Vice Chair)
Councillor I Stanley	(IS)
Councillor G Sedgwick	(GS)
Councillor F Shaw	(FS)

Mrs Stephanie Tolson (Clerk), Stephen Miller (Penistone Council), Bill Taylor (Resident).

b. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor A Mills and Councillor E Gratton-Rayson (GS, IS)

2. Prioritisation of Agenda Items.

None.

3. Community Matters.

a. Public Participation Adjournment.

- Stephen Miller spoke to the Council about his role within Penistone Council and Penistone Ward Alliance, and then spoke about the Clean and Tidy contract with TWIGS.
- He spoke about the new contract for the Clean and Tidy project and explained that they work with communities and volunteers, rather than just doing requested jobs for groups. The main focus is on environmental projects.
- The Clerk has already submitted a request for the tidying up of Castle Dam picnic area.
- He asked that Councillors spread the word of Ward Alliance Funding and the TWIGS project to all volunteer groups.

4a. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th November 2017, and Matters arising from them.

- The Chair **agreed** to sign the minutes as a true record after **agreement** by the Council (IS, AW). The Clerk had circulated action reports from the minutes and provided the latest update in addition. The Chair and other members reported on their actions.
- It was agreed at the last meeting that Cllr Barnard would ask the SNT to look out for obstructive parking around the Mayfield junction. The Clerk checked correspondence regarding the TRO made for yellow lines back in 2014. At the time the Parish Council had requested that the yellow lines were extended past Oakdene and Don Villas as was requested at the November meeting. This was turned down by BMBC due to the fact that they believed residents park here, and also that by not providing some facility for parent parking, the problem would simply be shifted elsewhere, most likely Mayfield.
- Regarding the trees overhanging the school garden, the Clerk sent Cllr Barnard a copy of correspondence with Sarah Ford for him to pursue.
- Regarding the road surface on Park Lane, it was noted that a small patch has now been repaired, but the repair is unlikely to last. The area will be monitored.
- Regarding speeding in the village and the discussion of Speed Indicator Devices, Councillor Barnard has confirmed that it is not possible to use the old ones as they are life expired. However, the Council is purchasing up to four new ones in the New Year, which will be available to use from April.
- The Clerk reported the flytipping in the playingfield carpark to BMBC and this has now been cleared.

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- The Clerk reported the full dog foul bins and general bins to Neighbourhood Services. The dog foul bin at the top of the TPT steps is still full. The Clerk will request that BMBC install another bin next to it or replace it with a bigger one.
- The Clerk reported the state of Bower hill to highways; they have stated that they will be inspecting it monthly for monitoring purposes, as it is not ready to be repaired yet.
- The Clerk reported the faulty lights at the back of the Willows bungalows to Berneslai Homes. These have now been fixed.
- Councillor Walker reported that she had spoken to Linda Barker who has taken over from Matthew Joy, and Saint Aidans have agreed that the Parish Council can have a space in the entrance hall to display items.
- Any other matters would be included in later agenda items.

5. Business Matters.

a. Neighbourhood Plan

- There is nothing to report.
- BMBC are still reconsidering their Local Plan.

b. Titivator Update

- The Titivators have put up the Christmas tree.
- Councillor Gratton-Rayson will be emptying the troughs at the Willows.

c. Path at top of playingfield

- There has been no news regarding the legal agreement between BMBC and the Landowner.
- It was noted by Councillor Shaw recently that the location is very wet and under water and may not be suitable for a footpath in the winter.

d. Fitness Equipment

- Fresh Air Fitness has installed the equipment. Maintenance requirements have been provided to the Chair and a sign regarding using the equipment safely is to be put up.

e. Community Orchard

- The fruit trees have not been delivered yet.

f. Community Allotment

- Nothing to report in the absence of Cllr Gratton-Rayson.

g. Basket Ball Court

- Councillor Sedgwick will order the nets and put them up.
- Councillor Sedgwick and the Chair will meet onsite and mark out where the lines should be painted.
- The Chair has purchased line marking paint; this will be done in the spring after the surface has been swept.
- The Clerk will inform the resident that had shown an interest in using the court.

h. Trees at West Crescent

- Councillor Gratton-Rayson has inspected the tree in question and will cut back the branches that are overhanging and thin the tree in general.

i. Castle Dam site

- It was noted that the Clean and tidy team have been requested to tidy up the picnic area and litter pick. They will request volunteers from the Parish to help them.
- It was agreed that the Chair will have a look at the hardcore and ground surface with J Mitchell to see what can be done.
- The Clerk circulated the land registry plan showing the land boundaries.

j. Village In Bloom

- It was discussed to enter the full Village in Bloom in the summer of 2019. This would give the Council more time to fulfil all the criteria as the award is more in depth than the "It's Your Neighbourhood" award

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that the Council entered this year. This will be an agenda item in January where Cllr Gratton-Rayson will go through the details.

k. Other Business

- Councillor Walker reported that the resident that looks after the planter on Back Lane is moving house and she doesn't know whether the new occupiers will want to continue with the planter upkeep. It was agreed to monitor the situation.
- Councillor Stanley reported that Mrs Langley had enquired whether her planter had been taken over by the new residents at Toll Bar Cottage. The Council stated that this was not the case and it is still hers to maintain.

6. Financial Matters

a. Payments and Receipts

The following items were presented and **agreed** for payment. (GS, IS)

Payments

Date	Ref	Name	Service/Item	Gross amount	Account
Current Account					
15 Nov 17	49/elec	Fresh Air Fitness	Fitness equip first payment	1594.20	CAPITAL SPENDING (Asset purchase)
11 Dec 17	50/102088	Barnsley College	Newsletter printing	61.20	ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY
11 Dec 17	51/elec	BMBC	Ground Maintenance 2	2060.10	MAINTENANCE
11 Dec 17	52/102089	Fresh Air Fitness	Fitness equip final payment	1594.20	CAPITAL SPENDING (Asset purchase)
11 Dec 17	53/elec	BMBC	Playarea annual inspection	406.00	ADMINISTRATION PLAY AREA
11 Dec 17	54/elec	BMBC	hanging baskets 2017	2538.18	MAINTENANCE PLANTERS
11 Dec 17	55/102090	SLCC	Membership subscription	128.00	ADMINISTRATION SUBSCRIPTI
11 Dec 17	56/102091	ALCC	Membership subscription	30.00	ADMINISTRATION SUBSCRIPTI
11 Dec 17	57/102092	Saint Aidans Church	Hall hire	187.00	ADMINISTRATION HIRE OF ROC
11 Dec 17	58/elec	JS Mitchell	#posts for banner playarea	70.00	MAINTENANCE NEIGHBOUR
11 Dec 17	58/elec	JS Mitchell	#repair wall playarea	50.00	MAINTENANCE PLAY AREA
11 Dec 17	59/102093	Windmill Nursery	christmas tree	150.00	MAINTENANCE VILLAGE GRI
11 Dec 17	60/102094	screwfix	line marking paint	24.95	MAINTENANCE PLAYINGFIEL
21 Dec 17	SO	S Tolson	Clerks Salary	544.44	WAGES, PAYE, NI, PENS., EXPENSES
21 Dec 17	SO	S Tolson	Imprest Account	15.00	BANK TRANSFERS

Deposit Account
none

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Deposit Account
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b. Balances and Transfers

- There were no transfers since the last meeting.
- The closing Balances for 30th November 2017 are c/a £1768.48 and d/a £9313.60, Imprest a/c £86.52.

c. Other Financial Matters

- The Councils standing orders and Financial regulations were signed following amendments made at the last meeting.

7. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications.

- There was one planning application to consider:
- 2017/1487 – Sycamore Farm- agricultural buildings. No objections.

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8. Administrative Matters.

a. Correspondence

- An invitation to the Mayors Civic Service at Saint Mary's was circulated. No one is able to attend.

b. Items to Report

- The Chair will offer to paint the step near the entrance to Saint Aidans with yellow paint.
- It was noted that the TDY is coming through Oxspring on the 4th May 2018. This will be an agenda item in the New Year.
- Councillor Shaw discussed putting up more dog foul signs with Cllr Sedgwick. Locations were discussed.
- Councillor Walker reported that the railings on the Bower Hill Bridge were very rusty. It was agreed to request that BMBC repaint them.
- Councillor Stanley stated that he will repaint the sign next to the new notice board at the village green.
- Councillor Walker suggested that a summer fete is held in Oxspring in 2018, with the idea of applying for funding from the Ward Alliance. This will be put on the next agenda.

9. Other Matters

a. Emergency Items

- None reported.

b. Matters for future discussion.

Neighbourhood Plan, Titivators update, Path at top of playingfield, Fitness Equipment, Community Orchard, Community Allotment, Village in Bloom, Trees at West Crescent, Castle Dam site, basketball court, Village fete,

7. Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be at 7.15pm on Monday 8th January 2018 at Saint Aidan's Church.

Signed this day _____ **2018.**