

SNANTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 14th May 2018 in the Reading Room commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr L. Backhouse (Chairman); Cllr N Binks (Vice-Chairman); Cllr T.P. Abbey; Cllr P. Mainprize; Cllr D. Jeffels (NYCC & SBC); Cllr H Phillips (SBC); J Ingham CPFA (clerk).

Apologies for absence: - Cllr D. Mathewson.

Absent: - none.

679 Cllr L Backhouse opened the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance. He took the opportunity to thank the Councillors for the support he'd received during his year in office.

680 Cllr Terry Abbey was duly elected Chairman, and took office.

681 Cllr Neil Binks was elected Vice-Chairman.

682 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr D. Mathewson, who also submitted his resignation as Councillor for Snainton Parish Council, with immediate effect. In his absence he was thanked for the sterling work he had done and had contributed to during his tenure as Councillor.

683 It was resolved that the Parish Council would continue to meet on the 2nd Monday of each month, excluding August when there would not be a meeting. The meeting in June would be a week early to meet the requirements of the external auditors, and similarly in September to bridge the gap created by not having an August meeting. The dates of the next four meetings will therefore, be: - Monday 4th June; Monday 9th July, Monday 3rd September, then reverting to the standard 2nd Monday; Monday 8th October.

684 Representatives for the following bodies were appointed:-

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| i) Snainton Playing Field and Village Hall Association | Cllr T. Abbey |
| ii) Yorkshire Local Councils Association | Cllr T. Abbey; Clerk |
| iii) North York Moors National Park Authority | as required |
| iv) Northern Area Parish Councils Community and Police Liaison Group | Cllr L. Backhouse |
| v) Snainton Common Rights Charity Trust | as required |
| vi) Scarborough Borough Flood Response Group | as required |
| vii) North Yorkshire County Council - Coast and Moors Area Committee | as required |
| viii) Campaign to Protect Rural England | Cllr T. Abbey |

685 Minutes of the meeting held on 9th April 2018 were presented and were agreed as a true record.

686 Matters arising: none

687 Declarations of interest: none declared

688 Police report: - The report was noted, however the comment was made that there had been some disquiet that the Police outriders for the recent Tour de Yorkshire were travelling too fast for the local circumstances.

689 Report by County & Borough Councillors –
Scarborough BC

- Full Council had met with a very lively debate ensuing.
- The Council had approved a new Commercial Strategy to utilise its assets as security for a £30m PWLB long term loan, and use the loan to generate revenue from a new property portfolio to fund future developments in the Borough. The aim is that the property

portfolio will generate a yield of at least 7.5% to cover the cost of the PWLB loan with the surplus available for projects.

- The general view is that Snainton was a clear leader in the Tour de Yorkshire 'decorated villages stakes'
- It has been proposed that Yorkshire Coast Homes and Coast & Country Housing Associations will merge.

North Yorks CC

- Cllr Jeffels suggested that it would be unlikely that Highways would raise any objections to the Parish improving its 'gateway' by placing bigger and more attractive signs at the entrances to Snainton. There was a possibility of grant funding from the locality budgets held by County Councillors, some of which is earmarked for Highways projects.

690 Open Forum

The following matters were raised: -

- i) Scarborough had been identified as one of the 'low paid capitals' in the UK. It was noted that Scarborough BC were moving to implement the 'Living Wage' as a minimum, rather than the statutory national living wage.
- ii) Croft Lane & West Lane were suffering as a result of a) increased traffic flows using these as alternatives to Station Rd, due to extensive parking on Station Rd restricting progress along the stretch from West Lane to the A170, and b) the increased width of vehicles, causing passing problems and marked verge damage in Croft Lane. It was suggested that Croft Lane could become one way, southbound, downhill from the A170, and ideally with clear, solid passing places being installed.

691 Planning Applications

18/00768/TD; Installation of electronic telecommunications apparatus at High St. Snainton.

The Clerk reported on discussions that had been held with SBC Planning Officer(s) and on emails sent to the developer, outlining the Council's, and resident's, significant concerns, and proposing, in principle, subject to the Council's approval, an alternative location in the Cemetery.

The Council resolved to approve the Clerk's initiative in offering the Cemetery as an alternative site and authorised the Clerk to continue with negotiations as required.

692 Highways Matters

- i) Foulbridge Lane, excess field waste on the highway. The Clerk had visited the site, and whilst it was now dry, it was clear that there was still a copious quantity of mud on the highway. It was agreed that the Clerk should bring this to the attention of NYCC highways to find out what progress they have made with the landowner and the parties responsible.

693 Parish Matters; Village Maintenance

i) Tour de Yorkshire 2018

- The overwhelming view was that the village had done a terrific job, and it was generally accepted that the village had won 'first prize' for decorated villages in the locality.
- £610 had been raised by the WI refreshments for Yorkshire Air Ambulance the main charity partner for the Tour.
- The Council was particularly grateful to the Parishioner who had donated the 'big prize' for the decorated house competition. It is believed that this did stimulate extra impulse to the competition. Thanks were also made to Cllr Jeffels for undertaking the herculean task of judging the best decorated house.
- The Village had been promoted through a radio interview on the morning of Race Day.
- The Village Hall also organised an extremely successful mini Tour de Snainton at short notice and had around 40 participants.

694 Financial Matters

The Annual Governance and Accountability Report (AGAR) was reviewed, together with the Annual Accounts, and Financial Statements.

It was resolved to approve the AGAR, the Financial Statements, and the Annual Accounts.

Routine Payments April 2018

i) Administration etc.	£	473.92	
ii) Reading Room (incl. Services & Maintenance)	£	236.58	
iii) Parish (incl. Services & Maintenance)	£	1,482.47	(T de Y £1,463)
iv) Cemetery (incl. Services & Maintenance)	£	0.00	
v) Grants & Donations	£	672.00	
vi) Loan repayment	£	1,059.81	

Non-routine accounts for authorisation & payment: -

The Annual Insurance renewal quotation was received. *The Council resolved to award the insurance for the forthcoming year to Came & Co. The Council resolved to pay Yorkshire Water by Direct Debit.*

695 Administration

The Clerk reported on the recent publication by NALC of the national pay award for Clerks, of 2%. *The Council noted and approved the award for the Clerk.*

The Clerk reported on the present situation with the implementation of GDPR, and specifically on the legal requirement for Parish Councils to appoint a Data Protection Officer (DPO). The Clerk advised members that this could not be the Clerk, nor any of the Councillors, as this would not provide sufficient separation from the day to day operations of the Council. YLCA have offered to set up a DPO service for Parish councils. The Clerk advised members that this would be a very cost effective solution. The Clerk also advised that Government had tabled an amendment to its own legislation removing the requirement for Parish Councils to appoint a DPO. However, until that became law the Council must appoint a DPO. *The Council resolved, subject to the requirement remaining in force when the GDPR legislation receives the Queen's assent, to appoint YLCA as its DPO.*

The Clerk reported on the need to move forward with renewing the Council's website, and to implement the use of .gov email addresses, as a minimum, for the Clerk, Chairman, and Vice-Chairman. This would provide future continuity and better meet the requirements of the GDP regulations. The submission from WJP Software was considered. *The Council resolved a) accept the quotation from WJP Software, and b) to authorise the Clerk to work with WJP software and undertake any necessary tasks, including attending meetings if required, at their offices in Bedale to get the website up and functioning as soon as may be practicable.* It was noted that this would require additional overtime hours to be worked by the Clerk which would need to be paid as these would be beyond their normal contractual hours.

696 Attendance at outside meetings:

Report Back: None

Scheduled: -

- i) YLCA Scarborough Branch Annual Meeting; 31st May; Whitby, Pannet Park Museum; Cllr T Abbey; The Clerk
- ii) Northern Villages CaP group; 13th June; 7pm Village Hall, Sawdon; Cllr L Backhouse (tbc).
- iii) Northern Villages CaP group; 12th September; 7pm, Seamer & Irton Village Hall,

697 Matters raised by Parish Councillors;

- i) The Bus Shelter at Brompton, on Snainton PC land north side of the A170, needs some attention, and the Clerk was asked to examine and make suitable arrangements for any necessary work to be undertaken,

698 Date and time of next meeting; - Monday 4th June 2018 at 7:30 pm