

## SNAINTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 in the Reading Room commencing at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllr T.P. Abbey (Chairman); Cllr H Tyson; Cllr J Harber; Cllr D. Jeffels (NYCC & SBC);  
J Ingham CPFA (Clerk & RFO).

**Apologies for absence:** - Cllr N Binks (vice-Chairman); Cllr P Mainprize; Cllr H Phillips (SBC).

**Absent:** - no-one

1162 Cllr Terry Abbey opened the meeting and thanked members present for their attendance.

1163 Apologies and the reason for absence provided by Cllr N. Binks and Cllr P Mainprize had been received prior to the meeting. *The apologies were noted, and the reasons for absence were formally accepted by the Council.*

1164 Declarations of interest: None declared

1165 Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021 were presented and were agreed as a true record.

1166 Matters arising: None.

1167 Planning applications: -

21/02565/FL; Erection of 24 residential dwellings, landscaping and associated works on land Adjacent to Wayside, Pickering Road East, Snainton.

This was one of two principal reasons for the Council meeting and accordingly the Chairman encouraged contributions from residents present, and read out the two written submissions sent to the Council. Points raised included the following: -

- Footpaths accessing the village need to be on the south side of the A170 for safety reasons.
- The 'Victorian' sewage pipes and concerns over the adequacy of present utility facilities. The site is said to have storage (attenuation) tanks for surface water, and maybe foul water too. Present sewage system is already 'at capacity'.
- Concern over insulation standards for the housing, these need to be of the highest level looking to a net carbon / zero carbon future.
- Housing should have solar panels fitted as standard, and oriented accordingly.
- Concern that Yorkshire & Humber Drainage Board are said to have 'no objections'.
- Concern that there are too many properties on the site, and the development needs a 'proper' footpath on the site, and not simply be handed over to road traffic.
- Need to move the 30mph speed limit for safety reasons.
- Need for shared ownership housing with affordable housing restricted to local residents 'in perpetuity'.

*The Council resolved that it has a number of objections / concerns about this application and the Clerk was asked to draft a response encompassing these to Scarborough BC to be submitted asap.*  
*[This has been done].*

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- 1168 Queen's Platinum Jubilee (QPJ) 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022
- The treasurer of the QPJ group (and the Village Hall) gave a briefing outlining progress to date with fundraising meeting targets.
- Activities on the day are starting to be settled, but resurgence of Covid is matter of concern to the necessary fundraising activities.
- After a discussion the Council resolved to offer a further tranche of financial support. This would be limited to £500 and subject to receiving a further report from the QPJ Cttee to the March and / or April Council meetings.
- A dedicated email address has been set up; [teamsnaintonjubilee@outlook.com](mailto:teamsnaintonjubilee@outlook.com) and facebook page; @snaintonjubilee.
- The Council considered where to place the QPJ specific bench that has been ordered. The Council resolved to place it centrally. Using the present central location by the Reading Room, with the extant bench to be re-located into the cemetery, where there is a vacant plinth.
- 1169 The Council received a verbal report from the Clerk outlining current knowledge about the creation of the North Yorkshire Council (NYC) from 1st April 2023 may cause. Specifically: -
- The Clerk reported that the much-anticipated North Yorkshire (Structural Changes Order) has now been laid before Parliament and should receive Royal Assent in March.
- It is extremely unlikely that any further changes to it would be made, which confirms that the present Parish Council will end at the end of April, and elections will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> May to both the Parish Council and the new North Yorkshire Council. Both councils will have a 5-year term from May 2022 to May 2027.
- 1170 Financial Matters
- The Clerk verbally reported on the information, and apology, received from Scarborough BC for the error in their precept calculation tool. The Clerk had previously circulated and discussed with each member personally the details of the impact and possible alternative levels of precept. The Council considered the impact of the amended calculation tool on the percentage increase in Council Tax that will show on residents' Council Tax bills in April.
- This would now show as a 6.53% increase, around £4 increase for the year in the case of Band D properties, the benchmark used.
- The Council resolved to reaffirm the precept of £23,100 which had been lawfully set at the December Council.
- The Clerk presented the Schedules of cheque payments for January 2022.
- The Council resolved to approve the schedules of cheque payments for January 2002:-
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| i) Administration etc.                          | £ | 660.44 |
| ii) Reading Room (incl. Services & Maintenance) | £ | 550.00 |
| iii) Parish (incl. Services & Maintenance)      | £ | 297.00 |
| iv) Cemetery (incl. Services & Maintenance)     | £ | 984.00 |
| v) Grants & Donations                           | £ | 0.00   |
- Non-routine accounts for authorisation & payment: - None
- 1171 The Police report was considered, and the improvement in the numbers was welcomed. The report was noted.

1172 Open Forum:-

A resident raised their concerns about the potential loss of their orchard, which they believed to be 'the last in the village'. This was refuted from the floor, and it was left that the resident would welcome help with their orchard.

1173 The Borough and County Councillors present gave a report summarising current matters at their Authorities. The following are some specific points: -

Cllr Jeffels (NYCC & SBC)

- Scarborough BC (and NYCC) and now focused towards the creation of the new North Yorkshire Council (NYC) and therefore that is the overriding priority.
- Cllr Jeffels will be meeting NYCC Highways representative shortly and will mention the following: -
  - ❖ Yorks Water Manhole covers along the A170, especially outside the Reading Room, and 79a High St.
  - ❖ The impasse with the concept of a footway provision at Barker's Lane.
  - ❖ Continuing issues with the gulleys along the A170, south side especially, west of the junction with Nettledale Lane.

1174 The Council received a report from the Clerk outlining progress made with various projects, and grounds maintenance works in the village: -

- The Oak tree east of the bus shelter, north of the A170, adjacent to the Snainton/Brompton boundary has now had its remedial work, and it was reaffirmed that the Clerk should approach Brompton Parish Council, seeking a financial contribution from them towards the costs of remedial work. *[Done and Brompton have agreed a 50% contribution]*
- A quote is being sought from the contractor who removed the Beech tree at the Millennium Green for remedial work to the oak trees, one at the Orchard, the Millennium Green, and this is proving problematical.
- The replacement of the Beech tree by a small apple/plum orchard on the Millennium Green has now been completed, with the only outstanding apple tree being the one that is proving tricky to track down.
- Additional Footpath at the junction of Barker's Lane and the A170. The distance is c.10metres. NYCC have advised the Council that they have not adopted, and will not adopt this proposal. The Clerk proposed that an alternative could be to run a footpath inside the Village Hall boundaries, subject, of course, to agreement of the Village Hall Trustees. The Council considered the suggestion, and threw it out. The matter therefore rests.
- The Clerk presented a report to consider and approve, in principle, works necessary to manage the yew hedges at the war memorial that require significant pruning back. *The Council considered the report, and resolved to approve a budget sum of £750 for the necessary works.*
- Land at Wydale Rise *No response from Beyond Housing.*

1175 Cemetery

The Clerk reported in December on the condition of the blue horizontalis conifer in the first, round flowerbed in the cemetery (area marked as 'parkland') which was 'beyond recovery', and the horizontalis conifer in the second, round bed, which could be recovered from its overgrown state. The Clerk advised the Council that it had already resolved that the second conifer be trimmed, and the first be removed, with proposals for its replacement to be considered at a future meeting of the Council. *The Council resolved to approve a budget sum of £750 for the removal of the first ('blue') conifer.*

1176 Date and time of next meetings:

Monday	March 14 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Monday	April 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm
Monday	May 9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Meeting	6:30 pm
Monday	May 9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Council following the Annual Parish Meeting.	
Monday	June 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm