

Muston Parish Council

Meeting held on 5th September 2017

PRESENT: Chair Cllr G Barnett Cllr J Walker
Cllr P Colling Cllr B Stevenson
Cllr D Walker Cllr G Allanson

County Cllr R Swiers
9 members of public
Clerk C Adnitt

17/121 The meeting was opened at 19:30 hours.

17/122 Notice of Meeting

Resolved: That Public Notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12 Para 10 (2) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

17/123 Apologies

Apology was received from Cllr K Cole and Borough Cllr M Donohue-Moncrieff.

17/124 **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations were received.

17/125 Public Comments

Residents in West Court expressed their concerns about a proposal for a holiday cottage. They also highlighted that there were seven holiday lettings in the village together with other empty properties and were concerned about the current trend.

Residents were pleased with the War Memorial cleaning.

A lengthy, detailed and robust discussion took place concerning a replacement light in West End. Some residents forcibly expressed their view that it should be located on the corner by No. 4, whilst another view was also expressed that it should be located in a different position with no clear consensus emerging apart from the fact that a replacement light was required. An email was read out from NYCC stating that they were not prepared to pay for the light. Following further discussion it was agreed that NYCC would be contacted to express the parish council's view that a light should be provided at NYCC's expense.

It was alleged that the land on the corner of West End was owned by NYCC and that it required cleaning up.

A resident complained about parking problems during the Scarecrow Festival. A councillor highlighted that residents were welcome to attend the meeting of the Millennium Committee where this matter could be discussed.

A resident highlighted that two posts were broken on the Chain Path. It was agreed that NYCC would be contacted with a view to them allowing a local contractor to

undertake the work in order to save time.

It was noted that the bench on King Hill required repair.

17/126 Police Report

A written report was circulated. No incidents were reported in Muston apart from two traffic offences.

17/127 Report from County Councillor

County Cllr R Swiers stated that the parish council should notify NYCC that they were not happy with NYCC's refusal to fund a replacement light and she agreed to follow this matter up. She also agreed to follow up on the cleaning of the corner on West End.

She highlighted enforcement issues that could be used to make drivers observe the speed limit. Councillors commented about residents using a speed gun. Cllr R Swiers agreed to provide details.

Details of the "Locality Budget" were provided and she asked that any applications for funding are sent to her by December.

17/128 Report from Borough Councillors

Cllr Allanson highlighted his role on the Yorkshire Coast Rail Community Partnership, advising that Northern Rail were to increase the train service between Scarborough and Hull. Ticket machines and disabled access issues were being discussed.

A consultation on Boundary Change has been undertaken and there will continue to be two representatives for the Hertford area.

Cllr Allanson confirmed that he has been trained to serve on the Licensing Committee.

The Borough Council was reviewing the threat presented by terrorists using vehicles to attack pedestrians.

17/129 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2017 with two minor amendments be approved and were signed by the Chair.

17/130 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

17/131 Planning Applications

One application was received.

17/01655/HS application to erect a timber shed at, The Old Chapel, Hunmanby Street, Muston. No objections were received.

17/132 Village Issues

Cleaning of War Memorial – Cleaning work has been completed. Following discussion it was agreed to ask the Vicar to rededicate the Memorial with a date and time to be agreed. Cllr Allanson agreed to liaise with the Vicar. Representatives from the British Legion and residents would be invited to attend, with suitable publicity to be

arranged.

Speeding on Hunmanby Street – Rumble strips have been provided and the road markings have been repainted. Efforts were to continue to persuade NYCC to implement further safety improvements.

Telephone Box and Defibrillator – It was agreed to accept the quotation for the phone box painting and that the work should proceed. The Millennium Committee have made a donation of £600 towards the cost of the defibrillator. A lockable cabinet will be required costing £399 plus VAT. Training courses on the use of the defibrillator and basic resuscitation were to be arranged. A suitable location was required to store the training equipment and it was agreed to contact the Village Hall Committee to seek permission to store it in the Hall.

Light in West End – This was discussed in item 17/125.

Footpath on King Hall – Concerns was raised about the safety of residents walking on King Hill due to the absence of a footpath. It was noted that the path next to the property was owned by the property owners. NYCC appeared to give a low priority to an alternative footpath. County Cllr R Swiers was asked to look into this matter with a view to NYCC making safety improvements. It was also agreed to investigate alternative solutions.

17/133 Southern Parish Cluster

The Southern Parish Cluster meets four times per year and acts as a combined voice for parish councils in this area. A precept has not been set for a number of years and it was now running out of money. A Precept was required in order for it to continue its work. Following discussion it was agreed to pay a precept of £67 for one year only to allow time for its future to be determined.

17/134 Finance

The schedule of payments for September was circulated prior to the meeting. It was Resolved that the figure totalling £4948.16 would be paid.

The following payments were received: Millennium Committee Grant towards Defibrillator £600 and Southern Parish Cluster grant towards War Memorial Cleaning £300.

17/135 Reports

Cllr G Barnett attended a meeting of the CaP committee and reported that nothing much was happening in this area.

17/136 Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

17/137 Urgent Business

Cllr B Stevenson asked if the parish council felt that weed spraying should be undertaken and it was agreed that it should be done.

A discussion took place on the grass cutting and it was agreed that two further cuts would be required for this season.

17/138 Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on 11th October 2017 starting at 1930 hours.

17/139 The meeting was closed at 2140 hours.

Signed **Date**