

MUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8th January 2020

Present: Cllr. G Allanson, Cllr. G Barnett, Cllr. G Owen, Cllr. F Warters, Cllr. S Chalmers, Cllr. J McMillan. Borough Cllr. P Riley, County Cllr. R Swiers. Mrs B Williamson (Clerk). Police volunteer representative David Platts. 1 members of the public.

Notice of meeting:

20/367

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.

Apologies: Cllr. J Walker

20/368

Declarations of Interest:

20/369

Cllr. G Barnett – King Hill footpath

Cllr. G Allanson - Beech tree in Church grounds

Open Forum:

20/370

No issues as no members of public present at this point in the meeting.

Reports:

20/371

Police – Presented by David Platts. Report circulated prior to meeting. No reports of theft, drug issues, violence or criminal damage issues. Vehicle seized for having no insurance. Damage only in RTC near White Gate Hill. One report of anti-social behaviour in Carr Lane with oil being poured over a car windscreen. Projects being sort for Community Payback Scheme. New way of recording statistics of incidents. Anyone seeking feedback on an incident will require crime reference number. Volunteers required to establish a new Rural Watch team in the area reporting wildlife & rural crime. Fraud continues to be a major issue & all incident should be reported.

County Cllr. Swiers – The need for savings in the county continues. Public consultation on both positive & negative aspects of the County Council is to be extended to identify areas considered value for money. Confirmation that Scarborough A & E will remain open 24 hours per day, three new Doctors starting in January & recruitment continues to be promoted. Lobbying for improvements to the A64 continues & is now looking more positive. New County highways company to be established when current contract expires. Parish Portal responses not as speedy as in the past.

Cllr. Allanson commented that communication with officials in County was not easy as demonstrated with local issues – King Hill footpath & Badger Bends.

Borough Cllr. Riley – Recent vote of no confidence in SBC Council leader, Steve Sissons, overturned. Looking at ways of working collaboratively within the community. Public consultation strategy to be developed. Review of Futurist sight to take place. Tourist hub / bureau being developed in Town

Hall, video / audio links for tours to be developed. Climate change task group being developed, aim to make Borough carbon neutral by 2030.

Clerks Report –

- Thanks to Cllr. Riley for exploring the installation of solar panels in a conservation area for a resident, £25 fee to check. Issue of replacement streetlamp would need to be raised with Martin Pedley, Asset management @ SBC & paid for by MPC.
- Communication received from resident in Hunmanby over felling of tree in Church Yard & establishment of community wood. Letter sent informing not on Parish Council land & to contact Church.
- Request made to fell diseased tree in village. Put into contractors' schedule of work.
- Next steps on Vas signs & community Speed watch needs to be decided. Town Pond, Hunmanby Street, King Hill, Sand Pit Green – next to Village Hall sign & outside the Ship pub. Clerk will contact Community Speed Watch to action. Poster requesting volunteers to assist to be requested.
- Letter of thanks sent to residents at Mount Pleasant.
- Chevron replacement requested.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

20/372

Circulated prior to meeting. Pages 311, 312, 313, 314 & 315 accepted as an accurate record. Proposed to accept Cllr. G Allanson, seconded Cllr. J McMillan. All in agreement.

Finance Report:

20/373

Monthly Finance report January 2020

Accounts to be approved this month £1670.65. No income.

Proposed to accept Cllr. Chalmers. Seconded Cllr. Warters. Vote taken all in agreement to accept.

Parish Precept – SBC Calculator circulated to show comparisons of any possible increases. Proposed not to make any increase in the precept this year by Cllr. Chalmers, seconded Cllr. Chalmers. Vote taken to accept – all in agreement to accept. Clerk to inform SBC.

Planning:

20/374

Hunmanby Substation – 19/02799/FL Circulated. No objections.

Grass Cutting Contract:

20/375

Cllr. Chalmers presented a comparison report between two different contractors. General discussion. Item deferred to February meeting. Cllr. Chalmers will update Cllr Walker.

Badger Bends:

20/376

Clerk reported missing chevron signs on Parish Portal. Highways, MP, & Police contacted. Response from Police is that it is not an issue – no major incidents. Highways – similar, would involve road closure, no major incidents reported. MP will be contacted again now that purdah dissolved. Clerk will continue to report, Cllr Chalmers will take photographs to support replacement. Letter & photos to be sent to Highways, MP, Cllr Swiers, Richard Marr & David Bows requesting action & meeting to resolve the matter. Proposed – Cllr. Owen, seconded Cllr McMillan.

King Hill Footpath:

20/377

Letter of thanks sent to residents for recent support.

No recent developments. Clarification on ownership needed of land in front of properties as possible dispute. Proposed by Cllr. Swiers to contact MP, NYCC legal department, Richard Marr & Highways stating need for footpath for safety of all pedestrians. Request for a meeting in order to establish a resolution to the ten-year issue. Cllr. Swiers will be included in the communication. All in agreement. Clerk will action & also explore the Freedom of Information Act on the land ownership. Proposed – Cllr. Chalmers seconded Cllr. McMillan.

Village Issues:

20/388

VAS Signs & VE Celebration - deferred to February meeting.

Emergency Plan – Copy of suggested agencies to be involved circulated to all. Meeting to discuss with locals will be held on February 5th. Clerk will supply letter head & Cllrs. Chalmers & McMillan will compose letter to be delivered to all residents. Request for Community Speed watch volunteers

Items for February & March Agendas:

20/389

Items for Extra ordinary February meeting – Emergency Plan, Grass cutting contract.

Items for March Agenda -

- Spring clean
- Maintenance - Quotes for seat refurbishment. Cllr. Allanson will action.
- Bridge repair.

Dates & Times of Next Meetings:

20/390

FEBRUARY 5TH – Open meeting to discuss Emergency Plan @ 7.15.

8..30 – Extra Ordinary PC meeting to discuss grass cutting contract & any issues related to Emergency Plan.

Cllr. Barnett expressed his thanks to everyone who had been involved in the recent Christmas celebrations around the Christmas tree & Village Hall. The evening was a huge success & enjoyed by the community. It is hoped this will become an annual event. Thanks to all who helped decorating the tree & taking it down. It was the most attractive tree in recent years.

March 11th Parish Council Meeting @ 7.30

Meeting closed @ 10.25