

MUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th November 2021 @ Muston Village Hall.

Apologies: Cllr. M Donohue Moncrief.

Notice of Meeting:

21/57

Cllr. Owen declared public notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Public Notice 1972 schedule 12 Para 10(2) of the Local Government Act. Covid measures in the Village Hall outlined. Adjustment to the agenda – Cllr. Allanson would make a statement at the start of the meeting.

At the end of the agenda (item 14) the public would be asked to vacate the meeting for the Council to discuss a confidential item.

Statement from Cllr. Allanson (additional):

21/58

Cllr Allanson thanked the Chair for being given the opportunity to make a statement of fact. Due to Mrs Allanson's illness, he was not able to stay for the entire meeting but considered it important that it was clear to all that throughout his fifty years of service as a local Councillor his intentions had always been honourable, his priority was to serve the community which he was devoted to. Due to recent correspondence and accusations received by the Parish Council and naming him he considered it very important that he respond in person the accusations. He stated that at no time had he acted in a manner which was not legal, honourable or outside any legislation. His conscience is clear, and he considers himself an honest and reliable individual who wishes to always serve his community to the best of his ability and listen to everyone's point of view. He thanked all for listening and left the meeting.

Declarations of Interest:

21/59

Cllr. Warters declared an interest in any matters related to West End Maintenance issues & would not participate in any discussion or decision.

Open Forum:

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All members of the public were invited to contribute and express their thoughts. All declined and stated they were present to observe and listen.

Open Forum Response:

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Chairman Cllr. Owen thanked all for attending. No issues raised.

REPORTS:

21/61

Police: Report circulated as received. No future Teams meetings currently arranged.

County Cllr. Swiers:

- Will be attending Transport & Scrutiny meeting to explore 20/20 issues looking at reducing speed limits.
- Unitary Authority update – likely to be 90 County Councillors, wards will be larger covering all aspects of service & local hubs will be established.
- Scarborough is still the second highest Covid infection area in the county.
- Concerns about double jab policy for care home workers leading to a shortage of staff in the sector.
- Police Commissioner elections in November after resignation of previous incumbent.
- Cllr. Swiers requires a total figure for the cost of a VAS sign purchase. Cllr. Chalmers is dealing with this. Clerk will notify once cost & supplier determined.
- Cllr. Swiers confirmed that NYCC do not have to install a streetlight in West End. Residents had been surveyed and a demand was not evident, they will not be installing a new one.
- Potholes in West End had been surveyed on 22/10/2021 – they were not at a depth for intervention however as a gesture of goodwill they had been filled.
- NYCC expressed no concerns on vegetation overgrowth in the area other than several branches being lower than 5 metres, NYCC will contact the landowner.
- New bollards at the junction have been installed which has greatly improved visibility.

Borough Cllr. Riley:

- Pavilion House & Comet Corner now purchased by SBC.
- Argos site development previously agreed in principle in 2019. New plans go to planning committee in December.
- Confirmed donation towards Christmas lights purchase from Locality budget.

Clerks Reports: Circulated & assumed as read.

- Second request for litter bin to SBC refused again. Considered dangerous for operatives to empty. Area being monitored for litter and not currently considered an issue.
- Letter received from Highways related to junction. Response will be sent once considered by all.
- All correspondence received acknowledged.
- Christmas lights ordered & paid for – in transit.
- Noticeboard supplier identified.
- Vexatious Policy adopted by MPC.
- Poppy Wreath donation sent – Cllr. Allanson was to collect. Confirmation required.

Chairman's Report:

- Lights ordered & tree delivery arranged.

Approval of October minutes: Circulated.

21/62

Amendment – Cllr. Warters will liaise with Cllr. Allanson on Trott's Charity not Cllr. Owen.

Proposed to accept – Cllr. Warters, seconded Cllr. McMillan. Vote taken all in agreement. Carried.

Finance report:

21/63

November Finance report – Income – nil. Outgoings - £860.30 which includes payment for lights. Proposed to accept – Cllr. Owen seconded - Cllr. Warters, all in agreement. Accepted.

Planning: 21/64

21/01834/FL – The Old Chapel, Hunmanby. Application now withdrawn.

21/0211/LB – 8 Hunmanby Street. Installation of UPVC windows. Application circulated in advance for consideration by Councillors. No objections raised. Clerk will notify SBC.

Speed Watch Survey A165, results & next steps: 21/65

Cllr. McMillan presented a summary of the findings into a usable format. It confirmed the huge volume of traffic going through the area & the large number of cars exceeding the speed limits at different points & times. Cllr Chalmers expressed that the findings identified the need for a speed reduction & extending the speed reduction area. The data will support future attempts to achieve this. Cllr. McMillan was thanked for his work on this project.

The data will be published & information sent to Highways, Police, Police Commissioner to highlight the speed issue. Proposed to accept this action – Cllr. McMillan, seconded Cllr. Chalmers. Vote taken all in agreement. Carried.

The letter received from Highways requires a response. Cllr. Chalmers suggested a working group to develop a strategy on this. Seconded Cllr. Warters. All in agreement. Carried. Date to be arranged. Cllr. Swiers requested that Cllr. McKenzie be included in any response who has responsibility in this area.

Purchase of VAS signs – next steps: 21/66

Cllr Chalmers has been considering the comparisons into the two options. After discussion it was considered that the preferred option would be NYCC. Cllr. Chalmers will liaise with D Griffiths of NYCC to confirm costs & details & report back to the MPC. It was confirmed that Cllr. Swiers will contribute £2000, MPC £2500 & Millennium Committee be asked for a donation toward the purchase.

New Notice Board: 21/67

Cllr Frodin has identified a local firm to make the desired noticeboard at a cost of £1500 + VAT. Discussed. Preferred wood would be oak. Proposed to accept quote made in oak Cllr. McMillan, seconded Cllr. Warters. All in agreement. Cllr. Frodin will action

Christmas Arrangements: 21/68

- Cllr. Owen confirmed that Father Christmas will be attending on 3rd December.
- Mr Marsden will assist in delivery of the tree.
- Millenium committee asked to contribute towards purchase of gifts for children.
- Covid issues discussed & numbers / restrictions in the village Hall. Concerns about spreading the virus & it was felt all the event should be held outdoors.
- Tree will be decorated on 28 November.
- Cllr Warters will wrap the boxes.

Parish Issues: 21/69

- Missing streetlight – Information given to Highways, awaiting a response.
- West End Maintenance – correspondence received & circulated with full explanation. Branches will be attended to in near future.
- Parking on A165 junction area – residents complained. Police not responded.
- Bench now back in situ – thanks to Cllrs. McMillan & Chalmers.

Meeting closed @ 8.30

Date of Next Meeting:

TUESDAY 11th JANUARY 2022 @ 7.00PM IN MUSTON VILLAGE HALL

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE