

## MUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022 in Muston Village Hall.

**Apologies:** Cllr. P Riley.

**Present:** Cllrs. G Owen, F Warters, G Allanson, S Chalmers, J Bailey, J McMillan, Cllr. McCluskey (part meeting), Mrs B Williamson, (Clerk), NY Cllr. M Donohue – Moncrief, Police volunteer Alan Skillbeck (part meeting), 4 members of the public (3 part meeting).

**Notice of meeting:** Cllr. Owen declared public notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Public Notice 1972 schedule 12 para 1-(2) of the Local Government Act.

**Declarations of Interest:** Cllr. Allanson – War memorial.

**22/147**

**Open Forum:**

**22/148**

Agenda adjusted to allow property owners to explain the reasons for recent work undertaken on their property on Carr Lane and allay rumours that a commercial riding stable was going to be developed at the site.

- The green lane in the area had been improved and repaired to make the surface safer at the owner's expense and desire, purely voluntary action.
- There was no intention to develop any residential housing or a commercial riding school at the property.
- Mains electricity has been installed to the stables for personal owner use.
- All agencies, including police, NYCC & SBC have been consulted for advice and permissions, no concerns have been raised and all guidelines respected and followed.
- Anyone wanting further information are requested to contact the property owners who are happy to explain what they have done and reasons for the action. All work has been completed voluntarily and at their own personal expense.

Cllr. Owen thanked the residents for attending and explaining their actions which was much appreciated. They left the meeting.

A second resident raised several concerns:

- He felt the resurfaced green lane was difficult to walk on. Advised that this was a green lane, and the surface was adequate. It was suggested he speak to the owners direct as suggested earlier in the meeting. It was not a Parish Council issue to deal with.
- Request that future minutes in the noticeboard be placed so as they are not obscured by door uprights.
- Request for notices be placed lower down.
- Request that additional pins be purchased so the board looks tidy.
- Chain link footpath – why had nothing happened – This is in the North Yorkshire Highways schedule of work for later in the year and will be actioned.

- Verge required cutting further up the road. This will be inspected by Cllr. Chalmers who will report back &, if necessary, the contractor will undertake this work not councillors due to Health & Safety requirements.
- Hedge on chain path encroaching onto path – Cllr. Chalmers will inspect as above.
- It was confirmed that permission to walk on the footpath in front of the houses next to the chain footpath has been granted until the new footpath has been installed.
- Resident did not see parking on the verge near Harry's diner as a problem. MPC are working with Highways, so the issue does not arise again in future.

Nick Harvey attended to express his views and opinions on the Wolds Way consultation for the area to be designated an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. MPC wish to be consulted in future on any possible developments. Cllr. Donohue Moncrief confirmed that Ryedale DC are interested in this project and will keep MPC informed especially in relation to planning & development. MPC has responded wishing to be kept informed.

#### **Reports:**

**22/149**

- a) **Police** – circulated as received. Alan Skillbeck reported that fraud and scams continue. Violence against the person were all related to holiday camp incidents in the area and not residents. 21st August is Local Emergency Services day. Community messaging is available. Police can attend local events and set up the alerts on individuals' phones if requested.
- b) **Cllr. Donohue – Moncrief:**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> April 20223 new North Yorkshire Council will be launched.
  - Likely to see changes in Council Tax discount schemes with a new scheme for second homes likely to be revised with changes.
  - No decisions reached on Town and Parish Council meetings or models of working practice.
  - It is likely that there will be area planning & licensing committees, yet to be confirmed.
  - Model Agreement will continue for one year, no decision beyond this.
- c) **Clerks report** – circulated in advance.
  - Confirmed war memorial is owned by the Church.
  - Detailed response received from Highways addressing all the local issues. All are being addressed as previously discussed and are on schedules of work.
  - Hogwart reported as spreading from farmers land into residents gardens. Cllr. Warters declared an interest and did not participate. Clerk will consult SBC and Conservation Officer to see if any action is allowed. Concerned residents can also do this.
- d) **Other reports:**
  - Cllr. Chalmers stated he had attended the recent Village Hall AGM & introduced himself as the representative for MPC.

#### **Approval of Minutes from meetings held on 14th June 2022:**

**22/150**

Circulated in advance & assumed as read.

Amendment made – Cllr. Chalmers is the Village Hall representative not Cllr. Allanson. Proposed to accept Cllr. McMillan, seconded Cllr. Chalmers. All agreed – carried. Signed by Chair.

**Finance Report:** Circulated in advance.

**22/151**

Income – Nil.

Outgoings - £501.57.

Proposed to accept – Cllr. Chalmers, Seconded Cllr. McMillan. Vote taken, agreed. Carried.

**Speed Watch – A165:**

**22/152**

Cllr. McMillan had once again sent the entire application. Apology received for delayed response. Representative will attend to assess the location on 13<sup>th</sup> September with Cllr. Bailey to assess and identify suitable areas for implementation. Training will be provided, documentation to be completed, volunteers have been identified. Cllr. Bailey will be the MPC representative for this project & will be liaising with Jamie Smith from Speed watch.

**A1039 / A165 Junction:** No update

**22/153**

**Purchase of VAS Sign:**

**22/154**

Cllr. Chalmers has completed required paperwork. Relocation of pole awaited prior to installation of VAS sign. Attempts to confirm a date unsuccessful due to annual leave.

Unannounced the VAS installer arrived on 25 July to install on the original pole. Resident intervened and action halted. The solar unit and power box has been installed. Cllr. Chalmers is attempting to have the pole moved as requested before final installation of VAS. Will report back to next meeting.

**Planning:** No planning applications received.

**22/155**

**Grants Policy:**

**22/156**

Amendments made to policy as requested.

Proposed to accept – Cllr. McClusky, seconded Cllr. McMillan, vote taken all in agreement. Carried.

**Asset Register:**

**22/157**

It has been confirmed by the War Graves Commission that the memorial is owned by the Church. Asset register to be adjusted.

**Date & Time of Next meeting:**

**22/158**

**TUESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2022 @ 7.00pm @ 7.00PM**

**Meeting closed @ 9.00pm**