

MUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mrs B Williamson, High Hal, Yedmandale Road, West Ayton, YO13 9JP.

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 8th November 2022 in Muston Village Hall.

Apologies: Cllr. Chalmers

Present: Cllrs. G Owen, F Warters, G Allanson, J McClusky, J Bailey, Mrs B Williamson (Clerk), Police volunteer Alan Skillbeck, Borough Cllr. P Riley, 1 members of the public,

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: None declared

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Public Open Forum:

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Resident from Mount Pleasant attended to express opinions and concerns about Highways proposal to paint double yellow lines if the proposed new footpath is created after the consultation period. It was considered important to express to the Parish Council the impact the proposal would have on residents.

- There would be restricted access to tradesmen and Open Reach.
- There are no other double yellow lines in the village of Muston.
- 1, 2 & 4 properties already have limited parking and access to their properties.
- Alternative suggestions proposed to NYCC. Awaiting a response.
- The footpath in front of properties 1 & 2 is part of private land.

Councillors were reminded by the resident that it is important to always consider how council business is conducted outside meetings and that topics should not be discussed in public, or state specific items will happen. All councillors and staff should always refrain from this type of conduct and follow due protocol.

Cllr. Owen thanked the resident for attending and contributions made which is appreciated.

Action on Public Open Forum:

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- Cllr. Owen suggested that the resident contact NY Councillor Donohue Moncrief to also express her concerns.
- Clerk will make Cllr. Donohue Moncrief aware of the concerns.
- Police Volunteer Skillbeck will report back the concerns expressed to his manager.

Reports:

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- a) **Police** – Circulated as received.
- Violence against the person mainly occurred at the holiday parks & is likely to decline over the winter period.
 - There has been an increase in theft which is a result of the financial crisis. Supermarkets greatly affected.
 - WhatsApp scams increased & likely to be more during Black Friday period.

- Poster informing of units of alcohol related to different drinks circulated & will be put in the noticeboards. There is likely to be a drink drive campaign during the Christmas period.
- b) Cllr. Riley:**
- Last six months of Scarborough Borough Council and things winding down with an exodus of staff.
 - Projects are being reviewed by NYCC.
 - A member of the Cost of Living Crisis group looking at initiatives to support residents.
 - Muston in Bloom are seeking support from his Locality Budget which he hopes to be able to support to purchase planters.
- c) Cllr. Donohue Moncrief:** In response to the Community Network, she has suggested a meeting to develop a considered local response. Cllrs. Owen, Warters & Allanson would be interested in participating in this. Clerk will inform Cllr. Donohue Moncrief.
- d) Clerks report – circulated in advance.**
- No suggestions for Memorial for Queen Elizabeth II received.
 - Permissions applied for to undertake tree maintenance.
 - Drainage Board have areas for maintenance on their schedule of work.
 - Highways workshops offered – Cllr. Allanson will attend. Clerk will inform.
 - National pay award for clerks.
 - Clerk informed the current website is no longer fit for purpose due to its age and compatibility with new and current technology. Legally one is required. Clerk requested to ask for it to be rebuilt. All in agreement.
- e) Reports from other councillors:** None attended.
- f) Chairman's Report:**
- Engineer did not attend to repair the VAS sign on 28 October – no explanation offered. Next available date is 1st December. Complaint registered. Payment withheld until issues rectified.
 - All white road signs now disappeared off the road surface @ Cross Keys corner. Clerk will request action with Highways.
 - Mr Wells has agreed to donate a Christmas tree for the village. Cllr. Owen will go and select one. Transport to be confirmed.
 - Christmas celebrations – mince pies, mulled wine, lantern making & parade will be held on Friday 2nd December from the Village Hall. Hall booked from 3.00pm (setting up) – 8.00pm. children to assemble at 5.30 to start decorating lanterns. Parade @ 6.00pm & light switch on @ 6.30. Cllr. Warters will donate and pay for the mince pies and mulled wine personally. She was thanked by all the Councillors for her generosity.
 - Resident enquired about pond maintenance & silt clearance. Contractor being explored by Cllr. Allanson. Cllr. Owen declared an interest during the discussion whilst explanation given. The following people will be approached to see if they are able to undertake or advise on the work and have the relevant equipment – M Newland, D Robinson, B Blackburn, P Steel.

Circulated in advance & assumed as read.

Proposed to accept Cllr. Owen, seconded Cllr. Warters. All agreed – carried. Signed by Chair.

Finance Report: Circulated in advance.

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Income – Nil.

Outgoings - £93.64

Proposed to accept – Cllr. Owen, seconded Cllr. McClusky. Carried.

Clerk circulated details of the proposed income from SBC Model Agreement for 2023 – 2024. Dhe will acknowledge with SBC Finance department.

Further information is expected on the setting of the Parish Precept for the forthcoming year which will be circulated to all & a decision will be required at the January meeting. All requested to use the calculator to see the impact of all scenarios.

Planning: No applications received.

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Parish Issues:

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- **Trott's Charity** – Decision will be made in a closed meeting.

Date & Time of Next meeting:

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TUESDAY 10th JANUARY 2023 @ 7.00pm

Meeting closed @ 8.05pm

