

Minutes of the Meeting of Skirlaugh Parish Council held on 29th May 2024

Present: Cllr. McDonald (in the chair), Cllrs. Harrison, Johnston, Navier.

Apologies for absence: Cllrs. Richards, Wilson.

1. Election of Chair

- **Resolved** that **Cllr. McDonald** is re-elected Chairman.

2. Election of Vice Chair

- **Resolved** that **Cllr. Johnston** is re-elected Vice Chair.

3. Open Forum

Queries were raised about proposals for Peartree Hill solar farm around Leven and Routh and a report that the Holderness Hunt kennels are to be moved to Arnold.

4. Co-Option to Vacancies

- **Resolved** that Susan Navier is co-opted to one of the vacancies.

5. Committee Representatives and Responsibilities

Joint Burial Committee	Cllrs. Harrison, Johnston, McDonald, Navier, Wilson
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Village Hall	Cllr. McDonald
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Playing Field	Cllr. Navier
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Defibrillator Guardian	Cllr. Johnston
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Police liaison	Cllr. Harrison
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Other responsibilities remain unchanged. Vacancies will be filled at future meetings.

6. The minutes of the meeting held on 24th April 2024, having previously been circulated, were taken as read.

- **Resolved** that the minutes should be approved and signed.

There were no matters arising.

7. Playing Field Grass Cutting

The football team representative had confirmed that the contractor was agreeable to the cutting of the field to be taken over by the football team.

8. Churchyard Grass Cutting Service

Only one local contractor has been identified. Long Riston parish council will be asked about their arrangements. Cllr. Navier will look at the tender document.

9. Churchyard Maintenance

A reply has been received from the Archdeacon and ERNLLCA. It was agreed the parish council accepts responsibility for tree works. A contractor will be asked to inspect the yew tree.

10. Repair of Jubilee Wood Fence

ERYC has confirmed that the damaged fence can be replaced with post and rail fencing. New quotes will be sought from the contractors.

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11. Festive Lighting

Cllr. Johnston had met with the ERYC lighting engineer and a quote has been received for the installation of control boxes on two lampposts.

- **Resolved** that the quote for £445.62 is accepted.

12. D-Day 80 Planter

The application for a grant has been accepted. Cllr. Johnston suggested purchasing a planter made from recycled sleepers, and a commemorative plaque.

- **Resolved** that a planter as suggested by Cllr. Johnston is purchased.

Clerk to request ERYC for permission to site the planter near the soldier silhouettes. Clerk to contact Plantec about supply and maintenance of plants.

13. Planning Applications

- (a) **Plans passed:** 24/00708, single storey extension, Quinholme.
23/01989, erection of buildings, Springfield House
22/02775, solar farm west of Benningholme Grange Farm
- (b) **Appeal:** 24/00037, dormers and pitched garage roof, 80 Cawood Drive.

14. Highways and Grounds Maintenance

(a) **Salt bins:** ERYC reported that the bin at the junction of Cawood Drive and Cawood Crescent has not been installed. It was agreed there is now no need for this to be installed and it will be removed from the ERYC map. ERYC has agreed to take over maintenance of the remaining four parish council bins.

(b) **Traffic Speed A165:** Cllr. Holtby had forwarded two emails from ERYC stating that 30mph repeater signs cannot be installed; average traffic speeds are below the limit. Cllr. Holtby will be asked to find out whether a mobile electronic sign can be used and rumble strips installed at the north and south ends of the speed limit; also to find out when the improved lighting of the zebra crossing will be installed and whether the crossing can be placed on a raised shelf.

(c) **Grass cutting:** complaint received about the poor standard of cutting of the verges and the growth of grass around the newly-planted trees. Cllr. Johnston reported that he has strimmed around them and that there are mats around the trees to suppress grass growth. Clerk to ask the contractor if they can continue the strimming work.

15. ERYC Correspondence

(a) Local plan update; Boundary Commission review; annual T&PC liaison meetings; carriageway patching works.

16. ERNLLCA Correspondence

(a) Planning training sessions; LGA 1972 request for a review; energy projects.

17. Other Correspondence

(a) Lithium battery safety campaign. Agreed that the parish council will support this; details to be included on the website.

18. Reports from Committee Representatives

(a) Cllr. Johnston reported that more metal pegs are needed for the tree mats, at an approximate cost of £20. This was agreed.

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19. Annual Governance Statement 2023/2024

- **Resolved** that the Annual Governance Statement is approved with a 'yes' response to points 1-8 and signed.

20. Accounting Statements 2023/2024

- **Resolved** that the accounting statements are approved and signed.

21. Payment of Accounts

Salaries	392.70	
Tony Cook Ltd	528.00	Grass cutting
Lawn n Order	517.90	Cutting playing field
JS Accounting	65.00	Internal audit
Ionos	3.60	Councillor emails
Clear Councils	811.27	Insurance renewal
Marsh Commercial	670.00	Playing field insurance

- **Resolved** that payment of these accounts is approved.

A new HSBC mandate form was approved and completed.

22. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 26th June 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.