



Acaster Malbis Parish Council

Minutes of the virtual meeting of Acaster Malbis Parish Council held on Monday 12 October 2020 at 7:30 pm. Under the temporary procedures permitted by “The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020” the meeting was held online.

Open Forum – No members of the public attended.

Present: Councillor G Taylor (Chairman).

Councillors: C Booth, P Harlington, B Hawkins, R Jones, J Smith, D Walker.

Councillor: J C Galvin (City of York Council - Ward Member) presented apologies.

Clerk: M G Davies.

The chairman opened the meeting at 7:34 pm

MINUTES

1. **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.**
Apologies were received from Ward Cllr Galvin.
2. **2.1 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the council’s code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.**
There were none.
2.2 To receive and consider any applications for dispensation.
There were none.
3. **To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14 September 2020 as a true and correct record.**
Cllr Smith asked that the Minutes be amended (para.4.2 “volunteers” should read “volunteering”, the clerk also reported that in para.6 “proved” should read “provided” – acceptance of the amended minutes was proposed by Cllr Harlington, seconded by Cllr Hawkins and agreed by all.

4. **To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary.**
 - 4.1 Lakeside Dyke – in the absence of Cllr Galvin this item was deferred until the next meeting.
 - 4.2 Village Volunteers – Cllr Booth reported that he has arranged to borrow a strimmer from City of York Council to tidy the overgrown areas of Intake Lane and Mill Lane after he has received appropriate training from them. He also asked if the Parish Council would consider funding training to permit him to use weedkiller spray where other means of weed control was not appropriate. The formal training will cost in the region of £445 and is to be considered further at the next meeting of the Parish Council. Cllr Taylor agreed to cut the vegetation around the four village boundary signs. Cllr Jones commented that, as Cllr Booth and others were giving up a considerable amount of time to move the project forward the Parish Council should support the expenditure. Formal approval is to be considered in November when Cllr Booth has confirmed the costs and available training dates.
 - 4.3 Mill Lane bench – it was reported that the new bench is at Brunswick Organic Nursery but continued staffing issues are delaying installation.
5. **To consider the following planning applications(s):**
 - 5.1 20/01607/FUL – 17 Lakeside, Acaster Malbis. Conversion of the first floor above garage into a habitable space.
Following discussions it was resolved:
“C. We do not object but wish to make comments or seek safeguards.
As this dwelling is in a very prominent position at the head of the cul-de-sac, the Parish Council is of the opinion that the roof light on the front elevation would be more in keeping with the surrounding properties if it were changed to dormer style windows”
6. To receive the following planning decision(s) / information:
Cllr Smith reported that the application at 31 Lakeside has been approved.
7. Matters requested by councillors or clerk:
 - 7.1 To Receive Reports from Councillors who have attended training events and meetings of outside bodies.
Cllr Booth has attended the second of three planning webinars, the third is to take place later in October.
 - 7.2 To discuss Mount Pleasant Defibrillator.
Residents are raising funds to provide a defibrillator within Mount Pleasant Park, There are issues regarding finding a suitable location and power supply, the Parish Council is keen to support such initiatives and the amount of grant aid will be agreed at their meeting on 9 November 2020.
 - 7.3 To notify that the date of the clerk’s annual appraisal is to be held at 2 pm on Tuesday 17 November 2020.

8. **Financial matters:**

8.1	29.09.20 – City of York Precept 2 inc. CTS grant £115.00 received	£2210.50
	13.10.20 – Transfer from deposit to current to cover payments below	£ 72.48
	14.10.20 - YLCA Inv 652-2021 Planning webinar (CB)	£ 22.50
	14.10.20 - First Aid kits for village emergency team (reimburse clerk)	£ 49.98

Approval of the financial matters was proposed by Cllr Walker, seconded by Cllr Smith. The control sheet will be signed as soon as circumstances permit. Cllr Booth will, as usual, sign and return the control sheet after verification against the online bank statements.

8.2. To receive a bank reconciliation report to **31 October 2020**.

8.3 To receive a budget / actual comparison to **31 October 2020**.

The bank reconciliation and budget reports listed at 8.2 and 8.3 had been circulated by email as usual.

9. **To consider the following new Correspondence received and decide action where necessary:**

Clerk's and Councils Direct for the month, received after the agenda was issued, is to be circulated.

10. **North Yorkshire Police local PCSO Crime reports.**

The Community Policing reports are still suspended as the civilian volunteer at NYP is not deemed an essential worker.

11. **To consider matters raised with/by the Ward Member – Councillor J.C.Galvin.**

This item was deferred as Cllr Galvin was not present.

12. **To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.**

12.1 Funding for weed control safety training and equipment.

12.2 Grant aid for Mount Pleasant defibrillator project.

13. **To confirm the date of the next meeting as Monday 9 November 2020.**

As usual, the Parish Council does not meet in December.

..... **Chairman**

Date approved