

DEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Deighton Parish Council held in Escrick Village Hall on
10th January 2022 at 7.30pm.

22077 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

22078 Attendance/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Hardcastle (Chair), Brack, Fletcher, Henshall, Chambers, Bartram and Dixon,
All signed the attendance book. No members of the public were in attendance.

22079 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Hardcastle declared an interest in planning item at Ivy Dene, Main Street, Deighton.

22080 Public Forum

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to take Parishioners' Questions/Comments

Several questions were put by members on behalf of Parishioners' after which the meeting was reconvened.

A Notice Board Crockey Hill

The board was suffering from condensation making it hard to read the notices. On inspection it was found that the seals were still in place and it was felt that the particularly inclement weather had been the cause. The front of the board which is perspex had now been irreparably scratched and some hard to remove tape still remained on the surface. It was agreed that Cllr Brack would try to contact the original supplier to see if they could offer a solution.

B Footpath at Crockey Hill between Howden Lane and traffic lights

It was reported that there were a lot of weeds and dead leaves on the footpath A19 (West side) which is in Naburn Parish. The concerns would be passed on to Naburn PC.

C Café on east side of A19 next to Farm Shop

Concerns had been raised about the new barriers that had been installed at the Café which were causing access problems for clients of the Farm Shop. This being in Fulford Parish the matter would be passed on.

D Waste Recycling

There were concerns that the new recycling vehicle could no longer access properties on Forge Lane and the bins would have to be brought up to the Forge. Cllr Chambers asked why people had to sort their waste into three different bins when it appeared to be all tipped in together in the truck.

E Ward Councillors Report

The Chairman had received a report from Cllr Vassie. He is still chasing the light for the bus stop and the A19 road crossing and is looking into the problems with the recycling collection in Forge Lane.

F Village Christmas Tree

The Chairman thanked Cllrs. Brack, Henshall and Bartram for sourcing, erecting and decorating the tree which had once again been well received. It was agreed that additional lights would enhance the tree and the Council authorized expenditure for more lights to be purchased

22081 Minutes of last Meetings

The Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 8th November 2021 and the extraordinary meeting held on 22nd November were accepted as being a true and correct record and were duly signed.

22082 Clerk Vacancy

No applications had been received. It was agreed to advertise the vacancy via YLCA at the earliest opportunity.

22083 Finance

The following accounts were approved for **Payment:-**

Escrick VHC (extra meeting) £15.30

Cllr Brack, reimbursement for village Christmas tree £45.00

NB. CYC, contribution to speed signs. £5,115.98 – Invoice awaited. Not yet paid.

Balance as at 01September 2021			18147.45
Add receipts		0	
CYC Ward Grant	4000.00		22147.45
Less Payments			
S Hardcastle - reimbursement	PC laptop		403.94
Balance as at 31 December 2021			21743.51

Receipts

City of York Council, Ward grant towards cost of VAS sign £4000.00

22084 Precept

It was unanimously resolved to set the precept for 2022-23 at £3697 which was a 25% reduction on the previous year. This had been possible due to economies made including not having a paid Clerk for the majority of the last financial year. The figure includes a Council tax support grant of £113. The charge to a Band D property will be £26.16.

22085 Planning – New

Having previously declared his interest Cllr Hardcastle left the room at this point.

Ivy Dene, Main Street, Deighton (21/02702/FUL)

Single storey side extension for indoor swimming pool and facilities

A previous application was granted under permitted development. The amended plan was for a slightly smaller extension but a slightly higher roof which was why full planning was now required. The Parish Council decided that it had no objection to the new proposal provided that

archaeology and drainage were taken into consideration by the planning department when determining the application.

Cllr Hardcastle rejoined the meeting.

22086 Dealing with Planning Applications between meetings

It was agreed that a Protocol was required for how planning applications that arrived between meetings would be handled. It was agreed that the Clerk contact YLCA for their most recent advice. The item would be included on the agenda of the next meeting.

22087 Outgoing Correspondence/e-mails

As the Chairman has ultimate responsibility for correspondence that goes out in the name of the Parish Council it was resolved that all correspondence be forwarded to him and sent out by via the Parish Clerk.

22088 ONGOING MATTERS

A Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor Brack gave an update. He said that the Council was pleased with the number of responses. Around fifty-five questionnaires had been returned which was 40% of the number distributed. This was much higher than other Councils' were reporting which showed a will for the plan. The Council resolved that it was satisfied that everyone had had the opportunity to engage and it was time to move on to the next step. It was not proving easy to find professional help to carry out an analysis of the survey but the Council hoped to be able to produce an interim report. Cllr Brack asked for a separate account of monies spent from the £3,000 grant be regularly recorded in the minutes. Currently expenditure totals £681.12.

B Speed Monitoring - Wheldrake Lane

No progress by CYC as yet.

C Bus Stop Lighting/crossing point

Cllr. Vassie is pursuing these matters

D Crockey Hill Junction

Cllr Vassie had been approached for help. No further progress to report.

E Parking in the Village

The Council was pleased overall with the results following its letter to the residents of Deighton although there were still a few cars parked in such a way as to cause problems for others. This would be followed up.

F Emergency/Disaster Plan

It was resolved to adopt the plan which would be put on the website. The Chairman thanked Cllr. Henshall for all his hard work and achievement. It was confirmed that the Plan would be updated annually.

G Website

The Chairman had received information from a web design company specializing in Parish websites and it was hoped that he and the Clerk could have a demonstration before the next meeting. The Chairman said that the most important thing was that the website must be much more user friendly.

H Broadband/Wi-fi/mobile phone strength

Cllrs Hardcastle and Chambers had met with a company that offered to install fibre optic ultrafast broadband should sufficient members of the community be willing to take up a contract. They were fairly impressed with what was being offered and it was noted that grants may be available. It was agreed to ask other neighbouring Councils for any recommendations.

I Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration and Jubilee Trees

Due to the short timescale, it was agreed that any event be organised by a village Committee rather than the Parish Council. Several Councillors said that they were interested in forming a group and members of the public would be invited to join.

The Council resolved to purchase a tree and a plaque for the village green. Cllr Henshall agreed to source these and a planting ceremony would be held at the Village Green on Sunday 6th February 2022 at 11.00am to mark the 70th anniversary of Her Majesty's accession to the throne. Should a suitable location be found the Council would be happy to provide a tree at Crockey Hill.

22089 Items for Next Agenda

Review of Standing Orders , Financial Regulations & Risk Assessment
Equal Opportunities Policy
Privacy Policy,
Record Management Policy
Neighbourhood Plan
Protocol for dealing with planning applications
Broadband strength
Website
Bus stop lighting and A19 crossing point
Jubilee celebrations
Charging point for electric cars

22090 Date of Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting will be held on Monday 14th March 2022

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21.45

Minutes taken by Cllr Fletcher (Acting Interim/Temporary Clerk)

Signed by Chairman

Date: