A MEETING OF ASKHAM RICHARD PARISH COUNCIL was held on WEDNESDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2020 at 7.30 pm.

Due to the current COVID-19 outbreak, and in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales)

Regulations 2020 this Meeting took place remotely.

PRESENT COUNCILLOR R RIPPON Chairman

COUNCILLOR MS R ABEYSEKERA

COUNCILLOR R MONEY

Mrs Diane Greenwell Clerk

Councillor Anne Hook City of York Council

Mr Garry Bowman

Before the business of the Meeting began the Chairman reported the sad death of Mrs Mary Baldwin. Mrs Baldwin was Askham Richard's oldest resident and will be a great loss to our community. The Clerk has sent a card of condolence on behalf of the Parish Council to Mrs Baldwin's daughter. It was AGREED that the Parish Council will pay for a memorial plaque to Mrs Baldwin, and her late husband, to replace one to him which currently stands on the roadside at the northern end of the village.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Mrs E Bartram Councillor Mrs L Gallery

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. OPEN FORUM

Mr Garry Bowman asked if there would be a village Christmas tree this year. It was AGREED that, as in previous years, the Parish Council will fund this.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 2nd September 2020, having been previously circulated, were PROPOSED by Cllr Money as a true and correct record of that Meeting. SECONDED by Cllr Mrs Abeysekera. ALL IN FAVOUR.

5. ACTION REVIEW

Due to Covid-19 restrictions it has not been possible to meet with the Prison Governor.

There has been no further progress with CYC re the School 20 mph zone, and no consultation on the proposal for single yellow lines . However the parents have been informed of the purpose of the new white lines and these, together with staggered drop-off and pick-up times due to Covid-19, appear to be helping with the parking problems along School Lane. A better assessment of their effectiveness can only be made when conferences at the prison recommence.

Standing Orders have yet to be reviewed.

6. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Clerk has purchased a wreath, which Cllr Rippon will lay on behalf of the village on Sunday, 8th November. The Church service, at 10.45 am, will take place via Zoom.

7. DISCUSSIONS WITH ASKHAM BRYAN COLLEGE

On 28th September Councillors Rippon, Money and Ms Abeysekera met with John Mawson who has special responsibility for farm and estate matters at the College. The matter of farm traffic coming through the village was discussed and Mr Mawson was sympathetic to the problems this causes, but it was pointed out that harvesting traffic was coming through for eighteen hours a day, often late into the evening, with resultant mud on School Lane and Buttacre Lane.

The possibility of opening up some of the permissive footpaths across College lane was discussed, and Councillor Rippon will follow this up. Some stiles and signage will be needed.

8. RURAL WEST WARD

Councillor Ms Hook reported that CYC Covid-19 helplines have been open since the beginning of lockdown.

There are plans for a new forest to be planted on land between the A59 and the B1224.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

The head teacher at the School is leaving at the end of this term. The Clerk will write and thank him for his work with the children, and for his contribution to village life and willingness to engage with the Parish Council.

10. PLANNING

An application for a garden room at The Old Dovecote is received. No objections.

The applications at Red Barn, and at the Prison for some tree works, are approved.

11.ACCOUNTS

The balance at the bank is £10,048.63.

Invoices to pay are: Clerk's half year salary - £300, and PAYE - £75, and reimbursement of the cost of the wreath - £19.97. AGREED.

Section 106 monies which we are holding may be used for stiles and signage for the footpaths.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6th January 2021 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Signed	Date