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Minutes of the Meeting of Fulford Parish Council at 19:30 on Tuesday 9th November 2021 in the Old Library, Fulford Social Hall

Present: Cllr. Juliet Koprowska (Chairman); Cllr. Keith Aspden (Vice-Chairman); Cllr. Simon Marsh; Cllr. Mary Urmston; Cllr. G Walker and the Clerk. Cllr. de Vries attended online by Zoom as a member of the public.

21075. Chairman's welcome

Pending the arrival of the Chairman, Cllr. Aspden chaired the meeting and welcomed all present.

21076. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

Apologies for lateness were received and approved from Cllr. Koprowska. Apologies for absence from Cllr. Clare, Cllr. de Vries and Cllr. Dumoulin were received and their reasons for absence were approved.

21077. To receive any declarations of interest

Cllr. Urmston declared a non-pecuniary interest in Items 21086.a.iv) and 21086.c.iv) and Cllr. Aspden declared an interest on City of York items in his capacity as Ward Councillor and Leader of City of York Council.

21078. To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th October 2021 It was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes as a true record.

21079. To receive and consider Parishioners' Questions:

[Public Participation – Members of the public who wish to speak regarding an item within the remit of the Parish Council may do so. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes and the maximum time for this item is 15 minutes]

It was noted that a parishioner had emailed in connection with a neighbour dispute. It was RESOLVED to forward the information (with personal data removed) to the local PCSO and the housing association and respond to the parishioner to inform them of the action taken.

21080. To note correspondence listed at Appendix 1 and decide on any necessary action

a. Copied original and supplementary correspondence on Battle of Fulford Archaeology from Chas Jones to CoYC

It was noted that the Clerk had responded with thanks for keeping the Parish Council informed, no further action was deemed necessary.

- b. Environment Agency Butcher Terrace Consultation Information Pack Noted.
- c. NALC
 - 20211109 NALC Information on new guide to website accessibility.pdf
 - 0 20211109 NALC Chief Executive Bulletin 20211008.pdf
 - 20211109 NALC Chief Executive Bulletin 20211022.pdf
 - 0 20211109 NALC Chief Executive Bulletin 20211029.pdf
 - 20211109 NALC Newsletter 20211015.pdf
 - 20211109 NALC Newsletter 20211020.pdf
 - 20211109 NALC Newsletter 20211026.pdf
 - 20211109 NALC Publication Report on Climate Change.pdf

All NALC correspondence was noted.

d. YLCA

- 10 20211109 YLCA WR Bulletin 29 October 2021.pdf
- VLCA Electronic Training Programme November 2021.pdf

All YLCA correspondence was noted

e. Consultation Responses

- 0 20211109 CoYC Traffic Regulations Orders Proposed Amendments Consultation Resident Response 1.pdf
- 20211109 CoYC Traffic Regulations Orders Proposed Amendments Consultation Resident Response 2.pdf

The consultations were noted and consideration deferred to Item 21086.

21081. To consider and confirm any decisions listed at Appendix 2 made under the delegated powers It was RESOLVED to confirm the following decisions made under the delegated powers:

- a. Decision dated 26th October 2021 to facilitate the Sports Club's instructions to the contractors to commence the works for the redesign and planting of the Pavilion Area of the Parish Field, it is resolved to transfer the Ward Grant Funding in the sum of £3,800 to the Sports Club.
- b. Decision dated 2nd November to contact Persimmon Homes in connection with the recent works that have begun at the Germany Beck site allocated to the 12 bungalows, to seek assurance that the ground is being thoroughly inspected for hedgehogs or other mammals before an excavator moves in for the groundworks and if not, that work will cease until appropriate safeguards are in place.

Cllr. Koprowska joined the meeting at 19:48 during discussion of Item 21082.

21082. To receive and consider a report from the Ward Councillor and decide on any necessary action to include:

a. Consideration of email re e-scooter provision

Cllr. Aspden reported that a request for E-Scooter provision on Main Street had been made. The proposed site was considered and following discussion, it was RESOLVED to respond that there were safety concerns on the proposed location due to the road crossing but that a location closer to Fordlands Road or Germany Beck might be more suitable. It was noted that a minimum of a provisional driving licence was required for use of e-scooters.

b. Any Ward Grant Application update relating to remaining funds for the Fordlands Road defibrillator. Cllr. Aspden reported that the Ward Grant for the remaining funds had been awarded and the funds would be received shortly. Cllr. Aspden expressed thanks to the fundraiser for their community spirited achievement and it was noted as soon as the funds were available, the Clerk would submit an application to the Yorkshire Ambulance Service 999 Scheme for the defibrillator and cabinet for installation at Cemetery Lodge on Fordlands Road.

Cllr. Koprowska chaired the meeting from this point.

21083. To receive and consider any report from the Police and decide on any necessary action The reports for October have been circulated and were noted.

21084. Financial Matters

a. To approve the payments presented for authorisation

The following payments were approved for authorisation.

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				Checklist - PAYMENTS	LIST between 20211012 & 20211109		
Vch	Vchr. date	Cde.	Nam e		Description		Amoun
366	08/10/2021	8,017	Ryman S	Stationery	Till Rolls for Cemetery Chip & PIN Machine		10.99
367	05/10/2021	3,703	Martin &	Co	Cemetery Lodge Apartment Rent Guarantee Fee		31.20
368	05/10/2021	3,703	Martin &	Co	Property Management Fee		75.60
369	10/11/2021	3,230	Sleightho	Sleighthom Landscapes Grass & Hedge Cutting - Fordlands Rd		588.60	
370	10/11/2021	3,243	Sleightho	Sleighthom Landscapes Grass & Hedge Cutting - School Lane		441.60	
371	10/11/2021	3,260	Sleightho	Sleighthom Landscapes Grass & Hedge Cutting - Village Green		196.20	
372	14/10/2021	8,003	Fiserv (F	First Data)	Chip & PIN Machine Service Charges & Fees		52.76
373	15/10/2021	8,402	City of Y	ork Council	Commercial Waste Charges - Cemetery		445.62
374	15/10/2021	3,503	City of Y	ork Council	Commercial Waste Charges - Social hall		55.75
375	11/10/2021	8,022	Yorkshire	e Water	Water Rates Payment - Cemetery		73.29
376	25/10/2021	8,019	Plusnet		Broadband and Phone Payment - Cemetery		74.2
377	25/10/2021	3,501	Plusnet		Broadband and Phone Payment - Social Hall		29.54
378	12/10/2021	8,202	Fuel Gen	nie	Cemetery Vehicles Fuel Charges		231.31
379	20/10/2021	3,506	CNG Ene	ergy Ltd	Gas Charges - Social Hall		53.94
380	13/10/2021	3,015	HP Instar	nt lnk	Monthly Subscription Payment		9.99
381	08/10/2021	3,018	GiffGaff	Ltd	Monthly Subscription Payment		6.00
382	10/11/2021	3,511	Advance	Fire Services	Bi-Annual Inspection of Fire Precautions - Social Hall		104.70
383	27/10/2021	3,201	Raw lins	ade Paint & Coatings Superstore Graffiti Cleaning Chemicals & Play Equipment Paint - Open Spaces		196.5	
384	27/10/2021	3,221	Raw lins	Trade Paint & Coatings Superstore	int & Coatings Superstore Graffiti Cleaning Chemicals & Play Equipment Paint - Open Spaces		99.8
385	22/10/2021	8,006	British G	as	Electricity Charges - Cemetery		30.3
386	22/10/2021	3,504	British G	as	Electricity Charges - Social Hall (3 months - DD had to be reset following bank switch)		87.24
387	26/10/2021	1,009	Fulford C	Community Sports Club	Ward Grant - Redesign and planting of the Parish Field near to the pavilion		3,800.00
388	26/10/2021	3,007	Microsof	t Ireland Operations Ltd	Monthly Subscription Payment		22.56
389	22/10/2021	3,012	Expend L	Limited	Monthly Subscription Payment		16.78
390	10/11/2021	3,502	Smart Cle	eaning Group Limited	Commercial Cleaning Charges		360.00
391	12/11/2021	8,202	Fuel Gen	nie	Cemetery Vehicles Fuel Charges		181.88
392	10/11/2021	3,008	Aubergin	ne 262 Ltd	WCAG New Website Set Up & Associated Costs		1,016.64
393	10/11/2021	8,011	Aubergin	ne 262 Ltd	WCAG New Website Set Up & Associated Costs		254.16
394	10/11/2021	9,014	Clerk		Home Working Allow ance Payment		26.00
395	31/10/2021	8,521	Employee	es	Net Salaries		9,207.08
401	10/11/2021	9,012	HM Reve	enue & Customs	Monthly HMRC Payment		2,759.98
402	10/11/2021	9,013	North Yo	orkshire Pension Fund	Monthly NYPF Payment		3,175.3
403	10/11/2021	3,020	Yorkshire	e Local Councils Association	Webinar Training - 2 Part new councillor webinars x 2		120.00
404	10/11/2021			house Environmental Services	Rabbit control contract 01.11.21-30.04.22	340.8	
405	10/11/2021	-,		nes Roofing & Building	Roof Repairs		2,650.00
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b. To note the receipts presented The following receipts were noted.

6,001	CEM1 Cemetery Fees - Burial Rights Purchases	£	733.00	
6,002	CEM1 Cemetery Fees - Interments	£	13,554.00	
6,006	CEM1 Cemetery Fees - Memorials	£	1,723.00	
	Subtotal for Cost Centre:	£	16,010.00	
1 Parish	Council Income			
1,016	PC1 Rents - Social Hall	£	567.00	
9,006	VAT Payments and Receipts	£	2,142.1	

c. To approve the bank reconciliation

It was RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation

d. To note the Statement of Reserves

The Statement of Reserves was noted.

e. To note the Net Position to date

The Net Position to date was noted.

21085. To consider appointment of the Internal Auditor for 2021/2022

It was RESOLVED to continue to appoint Janet Bennett of Yorkshire Internal Audit Services for 2021/2022.

21086. To consider the report on the following planning applications and questions considered by the Planning Working Group and decide on any further action:

a. New applications

- i) 21/02232/FUL | Erection of pumping station | Germany Beck Site East of Fordlands Road York It was RESOLVED to delegate the final comments to the Planning working group to be made as follows:
 - More information is required in order to fully respond. For example, the reasons why the pumping station is necessary and whether it relates to foul or surface water drainage.
 - · Query the lack of any drainage details or flood risk assessment.
 - Query the loss of public open space and whether it will be replaced elsewhere.
- ii) 21/02271/TCA | Fell 1no. Beech tree in a Conservation Area. | Half Acre 135 Main Street Fulford York YO10 4PP

No objections.

iii) 21/02340/TPO | Crown reduce Sycamore by 30% - protected by Tree Preservation Order no. 3/1977 | 3 Fulford Park York YO10 4QE

It was RESOLVED to comment as follows:

- There are no objections to the removal of deadwood and crown cleaning where required.
- However, the need for the 3 metre side reduction is questionable because there is already a
 considerable clearance between the ground and the lower canopy. The lower branches do not
 appear to be obstructing the highway or the property and their removal has the potential to harm
 the tree's continuing healthy growth.
- The tree is an attractive component of the streetscene and further pruning would reduce the public amenity which it currently possesses.

iv) 21/02189/FUL - First floor side extension. 16 Tilmire Close York YO10 4NG It was RESOLVED to comment as follows:

- The extension will create a terracing effect which is contrary to the advice in the Council's SPD. It is recognised that there is a precedent along this cul-de-sac for very similar extensions, but it would be desirable to retain the gaps between properties where they still exist.
- iv) 21/02303/FUL | Single storey side and rear extensions with rear pergola, demolition of existing chimney stack, replacement of existing dormer window with 4no. rooflights and increase in height to part of rear garden wall | 1 Connaught Square St Oswalds Road York YO10 4FQ

A draft letter had been circulated and it was RESOLVED to send the letter as drafted.

b. Consultations

i) City of York Traffic Regulation Orders proposed amendments consultation

Heslington Lane

There were no objections to the consultation but it was RESOLVED to forward the representations received from residents to CoYC.

Main Street

It was RESOLVED to support provision for residents' parking for the two properties that do not have off-street parking.

St Oswald's Road

There were no concerns raised.

ii) City of York Traffic Signal Asset Renewal (TSAR) programme consultation It was agreed that the proposed upgrade of the crossing is welcome.

c. Ongoing applications

- 21/01024/FUL Change of use of part of car park to car wash/valet facility with associated office/reception building, canopies and wash bay screens. The Designer Retail Outlet Centres York Ltd Partnership Security Control York Designer Outlet St Nicholas Avenue York YO19 4TA No update.
- ii) 21/02212/FUL Variation of condition 2 of permitted application 14/00613/FUL to alter the design of the proposed house and garages. Site of Raddon House 4 Fenwicks Lane York No update.
- iii) 21/02153/FUL Single storey rear extension, 2m high front and side boundary fence to include a vehicular gate. Coppergate House 132 Main Street Fulford York YO10 4PS No update.
- iv) 20/01471/FULM Change of use of existing bungalows (Use Class C2) to residential accommodation where care is provided (Use Class C3(b)) with construction of associated parking court and access driveway from Fulford Park (resubmission). Royal Masonic Benevolent Institute Connaught Court St Oswalds Road York YO10 4QA
 - No update but it was noted that Cllr. de Vries had agreed to speak if required on 25th November.
- d. To note the following Local Planning Authority decided applications since the last meeting

21/01850/FUL | Glazed garden room to rear and detached store to side (part retrospective) | 4 Connaught Square St Oswalds Road York YO10 4FQ – LPA Approved

21/01677/FUL | Two storey side and single storey side and rear extensions, dormer to rear and porch to front | 43 Crossfield Crescent York YO19 4QJ – LPA Approved

21/01992/FUL | Dormer to side and rooflights to rear | 7 Selby Road York YO19 4RD – LPA Approved 21/02045/FUL | Erection of garage/home office following removal of garage | 42 Naburn Lane Fulford York YO19 4RL – LPA Approved

20/02123/FULM | Erection of 14no. dwellings with associated garages and infrastructure (revised scheme) | Germany Beck Site East of Fordlands Road York – Application Withdrawn

21087. To note the Local Plan Inspectors' Letter to City of York Council stating indicative hearing dates of February 2022, April 2022 and May/June 2022

The dates were noted and it was further noted that Michael Courcier will attend the hearing in February to represent the Parish Council.

21088. To receive and consider any update pertaining to the Germany Beck Liaison Advisory Committee (LAC)

No update. It was noted that the Clerk had not received a response to correspondence relating to concerns about clearing the areas designated for the 12 bungalows to the detriment of wildlife, in particular hedgehogs.

21089. To receive and consider a report from the Cemetery working group and decide on any necessary action

It was noted that the Cemetery Superintendent had had to deal with an overlap with two burials due to one of the funeral party's arriving late. Councillors expressed thanks to the Superintendent for the professional manner in which he dealt with the sensitive and difficult situation.

- 21090. To receive and consider a report from the Open Spaces working group and decide on any necessary action on open space matters to include:
 - a. Outstanding issues

None reported.

b. Parish Field matters to include:

i) Drainage update

It was noted that the drainage plan and overall scheme is delayed until the depth of clay can be established to the satisfaction of City of York Council officers. A previous survey by the Parish Council showed there is sand 5m down, but despite this, new evidence is needed. It was further noted that a meeting is scheduled for 10th November.

ii) Pavilion Area Developments

It was noted that the ward grant has been transferred to the Sports Club as they are managing the project and they are in the process of identifying a contractor. It was further noted that information had been published to the Parish Council website and Facebook page, notices were displayed at the Parish Field and the schools had been informed. The plans were also available on the Parish Council website.

iii) Vehicular Gate locking

It was RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to ask the Cemetery Superintendent to chain and lock the gates together.

iv) Boundary vegetation cut back

It was RESOLVED to leave the vegetation alone for the time being but include the area in the litter picking rounds.

v) Playground area bench proposals

It was RESOLVED to have a Google Form to consult residents via Facebook on a proposal to install two picnic benches.

It was also RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to obtain quotes for fencing around playground area and include funds in the 2022-2023 budget.

vi) Replacement tree near School Lane boundary proposal

It was RESOLVED to plant a replacement tree near the boundary with School Lane and ask the Cemetery staff or Sleightholm to carry out the planting,

c. Play equipment

i) Repairs to equipment and surfaces

It was noted that he following repairs have been carried out over the past year:

Date	Location	Equipment	Repair	Contractor	Cos	st (net)
Apr-21	School Lane	Seating	Missing slat repair	Playscheme	£	45.00
			Reset surfacing to			
			500mm ground			
Apr-21	School Lane	Swing - Junior Bay 2 Seat	clearance	Playscheme	£	50.00
			Central Post - tighten			
Apr-21	School Lane	Space net	loose tensioner locknut	Playscheme	£	25.00
Apr-21	School Lane	Cableway	Dig in mat edges	Playscheme	£	65.00
Sep-21	School Lane	Space net		Playscheme	£	195.00

Following consideration of the RoSPA Inspection, it was RESOLVED to seek quotations for surface repairs on School Lane field. It was noted that the Cemetery staff had agreed to carry out some works to the metal paintwork and gate at Fordlands Road.

ii) Replacement/new equipment budget

It was RESOLVED to obtain quotes for a circular swing similar to the one at Dunnington. It was noted that HAGS supply something similar.

d. Consideration of Allotments:

i) Vehicular Gate replacement

It was RESOLVED to order the gate from Norex.

ii) Grass cutting

It was noted that the central pathway grass is cut by Cemetery staff as often as possible alongside their other duties and tenants were encouraged to let the Clerk know if the grass becomes too long.

iii) Woodchips

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would enquire if local tree surgeons would deliver woodchips.

iv) Driveway repairs

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would contact City of York Officers to enquire if road planings could be supplied.

v) Overhanging trees

It was noted that the Cemetery staff have it on their list of maintenance jobs.

vi) Regular meeting dates

It was RESOLVED to hold Allotments Meetings in the first Tuesday of each March and October at 19:00 in the Old Library at the Social Hall.

vii) Beehive email request

It was noted that an application for a hive may be received shortly from a young beekeeper and it was RESOLVED to support the application.

viii) Beehive Regulations

It was RESOLVED to update the regulations to say Parish Council instead of Allotments Clerk and it was noted that the annual fee is £15.

ix) Request for Greenhouse

An email enquiry had been received but no application form submitted to date.

e. Fordlands Road tree planting

Cllr. Marsh had prepared and circulated a plan in consultation with Cllr. Koprowska for a scheme of tree planting at Fordlands Road. It was RESOLVED to investigate sources of trees with the Environment Agency, Yorkshire Water, Woodland Trust, Forestry Commission and other suitable suppliers to take the scheme forward.

f. Village Green

i) Hay removal/grass cutting arrangements for next year

It was noted that St Nicks have offered assistance as part of the Green Corridors York project. It was RESOLVED to support the idea in principle, subject to further consideration of terms for an agreement.

ii) Restoration and replanting for tansy beetles

It was noted that St Nicks have offered assistance as part of the Green Corridors York project as above with the restoration and replanting for tansy beetles, overgrown bramble and restoration of the path. It was further noted that the central island does not need cutting until 2025.

iii) Metal gate query

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would check the Deeds and consult the Cemetery Superintendent to investigate ownership of the metal gate.

iv) Moorings Meeting

No update.

g. New signs for Village Green and Parish Field update

It was noted that Fulford School is happy to get involved and a brief will be prepared by councillors to provide ideas on positive messages content.

h. To consider options to replace removed benches

It was resolved that the Clerk would seek quotes for protected timber simple benches without planters.

21091. To receive and consider a report from the Social Hall working group and decide on any necessary action to include:

a. Consideration of quotes for roof repairs

It was noted that the source of previous leak had not been identified and there had been no reoccurrence despite heavy rainfall. It was agreed to postpone seeking further works for the time being.

b. To note report on heating issues and consider recompense to hirers affected

It was noted that issues with the boiler pressure had resulted in failures with the heating for some groups. It was RESOLVED to offer a week's free hire to the groups affected.

It was noted a trolley containing mats for one of the groups had damaged the floor at the rear of the main hall. It was further noted that the Cemetery staff had carried out immediate remedial repairs to make the floor safe for groups using the hall. It was RESOLVED to ask the group to remove the mats and trolley and seek quotes for repairs.

21092. To receive and consider any update from the Fulford Climate and Ecological Emergency Working Group

No update.

21093. To consider any update on the ward grant application for the community defibrillator

It was noted that once the grant funding has been received, the Clerk will submit the application to YAS 999 scheme and arrange for installation.

21094. To consider any update on the Mary Keys charity wind up

It was noted that confirmation of the application to dissolve the charity from the Charity Commission had been received. Cllrs. Koprowska and Walker will consider trophy options for Fulford Show.

21095. To consider a Christmas newsletter edition

It was RESOLVED that councillors would submit content to the Clerk at the earliest opportunity and a decision would be taken on the timing/size of the newsletter once the content had been received.

21096. To consider an update on the new website to include

a. Consideration of a quotation for a logo design

It was RESOLVED to accept the quote of £200 for a logo design and it was agreed to send ideas to the Clerk. Ideas for the design during the meeting included the Tansy Beetle, Battle of Fulford, the Battle of Fulford Tapestry, the Key Family, Water Fulford and Gate Fulford.

b. Consideration of authorisation to Clerk to sign the WCAG engagement letter

It was RESOLVED to authorise the Clerk to sign the engagement letter.

c. Consideration of photo submissions from residents for use on website

It was RESOLVED to submit photographs provided by councillors and images from the Battle of Fulford Tapestry for now and at a later date, consider starting a competition for residents to submit photographs to update the website on a regular basis.

d. Consider inclusion of a link to CoYC Planning applications in the planning section in place of uploading every application

It was agreed to provide links to CoYC Planning applications in place of uploading each application to the new website.

21097. To consider a temporary amendment to the Parish Council meeting dates for the remainder of the financial year from monthly to bi-monthly.

Following consideration of the current workload to implement agreed projects, combined with the current increase in Covid-19 cases, it was RESOLVED to cancel the upcoming December, February and April meetings. The next Parish Council meetings will be held on 11th January 2022, 8th March 2022 and 10th May 2022.

21098. To consider a report from the Parish Council Strategy/Visioning meeting

It was noted that a meeting has been arranged for November 17th from 6pm.

21099. To consider any updates or information resulting from recent training webinars and decide on any necessary action

It was noted that Cllrs. Marsh and Dumoulin had attended the "Off to a Flying Start" webinars for new councillors.

- 21100. To consider exclusion of the press and public from the discussion of any aspect of item 21101 by virtue of s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.
- 21101. To receive and consider reports from the HR panel and Clerk and decide on any necessary action to include:
 - a. Cemetery Superintendent performance review

A report of the Cemetery Superintendent's performance review was noted.

b. Contracts of employment updates

It was RESOLVED to update the contracts of employment for all staff in accordance with the recommendations of the HR Panel.

c. Pay reviews

It was RESOLVED to revise the levels of pay in accordance with the recommendations of the HR Panel.

d. Update on recruitment of the Trainee Cemetery Administrator & Groundsperson

It was noted a shortlist has been created and candidates will be invited for interview on 2nd December.

It was RESOLVED to repeat the Christmas gifts to Cemetery employees this year. Cllr. Walker agreed to make the arrangements.

21102. To consider and propose any items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting

items will be sent by	email in advance of the January meeting.		
	te and time of next meeting. the Parish Council will be held on 11 th Janu	uary 2022 at 7.30pm	
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