

ALNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON ZOOM

ON THURSDAY 6 MAY 2021 AT 8.00PM

PRESENT: Councillors: Dr Robert Brech (Chairman), David Walker, John Newton, Eddie Edwards

ALSO PRESENT: Nigel Knapton (Clerk) & one member of the public.

21/13 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Brech was unanimously elected as Chairman.

21/14 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Cllr Walker was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman.

21/15 APOLOGIES & DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Apologies were received from District Cllrs Taylor and Thompson.

21/16 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 FEBRUARY 2021

Minutes previously circulated and these were accepted.

21/17 CLERK'S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. Cllr Walker would progress the emergency plan after lockdown ends. The closure of RAF Linton-on-Ouse would change the focus of the plan.
- b. No street lighting issues remained at the present time.
- c. The consultation should have now finished on the yellow lining. The Clerk would ask NYCC when the work will be undertaken.
- d. Nothing more had been heard from the Land Registry regarding Sand Bed Dyke. The Clerk would chase this up.
- e. Yorkshire Water had still not agreed to an onsite meeting. The Clerk would continue securing a date. Several setts removed by Yorkshire Water were still to be replaced together with some which were the responsibility of NYCC Highways.
- f. All the trees on Main Street that required replacing had been dealt with.
- g. A resident from Alne Station had arranged with Hambleton DC to install litter bins on the A19 towards Thirsk. It was agreed not to take up the offer of verge side anti-littering signs from Hambleton DC due to their ineffectiveness.
- h. The Clerk would seek out alternative depth gauges for the Kyle. A landowner had agreed to the installation if it did not interfere with the river.
- i. The flooding on the playing field had been resolved by the unblocking of a local farmer's drains.
- j. The powers to hold remote meetings would end on 7 May. A High Court challenge had been unsuccessful.
- k. NYCC had confirmed that a bid for funding for a new bridge had been made for this financial year. It was the number one priority footbridge in the Hambleton area. A temporary replacement was not feasible as it would cost nearly as much as the new one.

Approved Chairman

- l. The post box location information has been updated on the website and new information put on the noticeboard.
- m. Cllr Edwards had liaised with the Outwood Grange Academy. All the staff including the Head Teacher had remained in post and were working to address the Ofsted concerns.
- n. No update had been received regarding the planning enforcement at the Church House development and the Clerk would chase this up.

21/18 ALNE COMMUNITY PLAN

Cllr Walker reported that the community plan was created in 2009. Refreshing it will depend on willing volunteers. It was agreed that an article would be put in the parish newsletter and on the website asking for volunteers and that Cllr Walker would coordinate this. The scope of the plan would include footpaths and affordable housing.

21/19 BUS SHELTERS

It was agreed that the provision of bus shelters was not suitable for the village due to the flexibility shown on pick up and drop off at the moment which would be impacted by formalising arrangements. The aesthetics of a bus shelter would also not fit with the village.

21/20 SOCIAL MEDIA

It was agreed that the Council did not wish to have a presence on Social Media due to it being unregulated and open to cyber bullying and incorrect information. The official communications of the Council would be done via the noticeboards and website as required by legislation. Anyone is free to access this information and raise any concerns directly with the Councillors or the Clerk.

21/21 STREET FAYRE

It was agreed that the normal application be made for street closures for the fayre to take place on 5 September this year.

21/22 PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED

The planning applications considered are attached.

21/23 HAMBLETON DC - PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS

Please find attached to these minutes.

21/24 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a. The receipts and payment, actuals vs. budget and bank balances were noted.
- b. The attached payments were agreed.
- c. The certificate of audit exemption for the year ended 31 March 2021 was agreed.
- d. The annual governance statement for the year ended 31 March 2021 was agreed.
- e. The accounting statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 were agreed.
- f. The Clerk's salary for 2021/22 was agreed.

21/25 CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence since the last meeting was noted and is attached.

21/26 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

- a. County Councillor Sowray was not present.

- b. District Councillor Knapton reported that the Council would be meeting face to face in a couple of weeks and that every effort was being made to get things back to as normal as possible.
- c. The Chairman reported that he had conducted a speed gun session on Monk Green in response to concerns that cars were speeding on their way from the school. It was found that out of 37 vehicles none exceeded 28mph with 25% between 26 and 28mph, 50% between 21 and 25 mph with the remainder 20mph and below. Further surveys would be taken before the next meeting and Cllr Walker volunteered to take part. This would provide evidence as to whether a matrix speed sign was required.

21/27 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

Update on NYCC gritting schedule for Monk Green. Clerk would follow this up beforehand.

21/28 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next full council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 October 2021 at 8pm.

The Chairman thanked Councillors and the Clerk for their work during the last year.

21/29 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was resolved to exclude press and public from the next agenda item in accordance with The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 due to the personally sensitive material to be discussed.

21/30 VACANCY

The merits of the candidate who had applied for the vacancy on the Council were discussed.

21/31 CO-OPTION

It was unanimously agreed that Colin Fletcher be co-opted onto the Council. The Clerk would inform Cllr Fletcher of his appointment.

The meeting closed at 9.21pm.

Correspondence

01/12/2020	Census 2021	Information
19/12/2020	York Disabled Workers Cooperative	Catalogue
01/01/2021	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine
19/01/2021	Hambleton DC	New Property - Hawkins House
19/01/2021	Hambleton DC	New Property - Glebe Cottage

Payments

06/05/2021	N A Knapton	Salary & Expenses	£750.00
06/05/2021	HM Revenue & Customs	HM Revenue & Customs	£26.28

Approved Chairman

Alne Parish Council - Planning Application Received

Date	Authority	Reference	Proposal	Location	Applicant	Recommendation
01/03/2021	HDC	21/00422/CAT	Works to trees in a Conservation Area	White House, Main Street	Mr Christian Taylor	No objections
02/03/2021	HDC	21/00509/MRC	Modification of condition 2 - construction of a dwelling	Alnus House, Forest Lane	Miss Samantha Rhodes	No objections
04/03/2021	HDC	21/00494/CLP	Certificate of lawfulness for internal alterations	Alne Croft, Main Street	Mr & Mrs Pilling	
05/03/2021	HDC	21/00446/FUL	Construction of a single storey extension	Home Farm, Monk Green	Mr & Mrs Whiteley	No objections
24/03/2021	HDC	21/00650/FUL	Proposed detached garage & home office	Willow Cottage, Jack Hole	Mr M Robinson	No objections with condition
26/03/2021	HDC	21/00509/MRC	Construction of a detached dwelling as amended	Alnus House, Forest Lanw	Miss Samantha Rhodes	No objections
07/04/2021	HDC	21/00670/FUL	Construction of an open-sided oak framed gazebo	Cart Shed House, Back Lane	Mr Tim Weightman	

Alne Parish Council - Planning Decisions Received						
Date	Authority	Reference	Proposal	Location	Applicant	Decision
11/02/2021	HDC	20/02774/CAT	Works to fell a tree	Alne Croft, Main Street	Mrs Hannah Pilling	Granted
08/03/2021	HDC	20/02703/FUL	Change of use of land	Shires Oaks Farm, Forest Lane	Mr James Wright	Granted
26/03/2021	HDC	21/00422/CAT	Works to trees in a conservation area	White House, main Street	Mr Christian Taylor	Granted
16/04/2021	HDC	21/00494/CLP	Certificate of Lawfulness	Alne Croft, Main Street	Mr & Mrs Pilling	Granted
01/03/2021	HDC	21/00015/CAT	Proposed works to trees	Hazeldene, Main Street	Mr D Lepper	Granted