

STRENSALL with TOWTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL Held on Tuesday 10th June 2014 at 7.15pm at the Village Hall, Strensall

PRESENT

Cllrs Marquis (Chair) Plant, Mrs C Edwards, Ms T Flannery, Chapman, Baxter, Maher, Chambers and Ogilvy,
Ward Cllr Mrs S Wiseman and two members of the public

1. APOLOGIES

Received from Cllrs Benson, Tuohey, Scott, Mrs T Himlin and Ward Cllr Doughty and the reasons were accepted

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

- (a) The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated, Council approved these and authorised the Chairman to sign them as a correct record and also endorsed the minutes of the Planning Committee of 27th May **Resolution 100614/01**
- (b) Mr Duncan Hill had expressed a wish to join the Parish Council, he was welcomed to the meeting, signed the form of acceptance and took part in the meeting. The Clerk was asked to update the councillor list and circulate and also inform electoral services at CYC that the vacancy had been filled **Resolution 100614/02**

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Stork of 19 Pasture Close advised the Council of the problems he and neighbours were encountering with footballs and damage caused by children. He felt that the football area should be closed down as it was not large enough for a football pitch. The circumstances of its provision were explained to him but he was adamant that he and his neighbours were not prepared to accept the situation as it stands. The Clerk was requested to arrange a site meeting between members of the playground committee and the residents to see if an acceptable solution could be reached **Resolution 100614/03**

Mrs Wiseman gave an update on Durlston Drive ongoing improvements which was noted by the Council.

5. ONGOING ISSUES

- (a) A letter had been received from Costcutter but no action had been taken on this and therefore this item was deferred to the July meeting.
- (b) The request from Huntington School to use the public open space owned by the Parish Council was approved **Resolution 100614/04**
- (c) The bench purchased for York Road had arrived at Stoneplan and was awaiting erection. Cllr Chapman would mark the position to enable it to progress.
- (d) A request from an elderly resident for some form of seating in the outbound bus shelter opposite Middlecroft Drive was discussed and in the current financial climate was refused. **Resolution 100614/05**
- (e) Arrangements for marshalling duties for the Village Carnival on 21st June were expected to be emailed to volunteers after the committee meets on Thursday 12th June.
- (f) An issue was highlighted at Strensall Cemetery and Cllr Plant indicated that he was dealing with this matter.

6. POLICE REPORT

The police report was noted.

7. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Cllr Chapman reported on the three applications received and the recommendations of the planning committee were approved **Resolution 100614/06**

The next round of a 6 week consultation for the Local Plan Consultations had commenced on Wednesday 4th June. A combined meeting with Huntington and New Earswick parishes was to be held at CoYC Offices on 24th June. Cllr Wiseman advised that the date had been changed to either 30th June or 1st July. Two members of the Parish council were invited to attend the meeting – Cllrs Marquis and Chapman or Chambers would attend.

Tony Fisher advised the Council on the traffic survey that was about to commence and asked for more volunteers if possible – Councillor Chambers said he would help.

8. FINANCE REPORT

(a) Invoices for payment approved:- **Resolution 100614/07**

(i) Clerk salary	£.	SO
(ii) Talktalk	£32.06	DD
(iii) Talktalk mobile	£5.00	DD
(iv) Staples	£37.70	DD
(v) Green Vale Gardens cemetery maintenance	£120.00	
(vi) HMRC tax and NI	£306.53	
(vii) Yorkshire Water cemetery	£9.56	
(viii) Zurich Insurance for carnival	£53.00	
(ix) Mr J Chapman printer ink	£49.99	
(x) Marmax Products – bench	£486.00	
(xi) Park Lane Services	60.00	
(xii) Prins Accountancy	125.00	
(xiii) Playdale	25.44	
(xiv) Amazon inks etc	34.63	
(xv) SLCC conference	82.80	
(xvi) Mr A Marquis – cable	14.99	
(xvii) ICO renewal Data Protection	35.00	DD
(xviii) Cartmell Gardening (Cemetery)	248.00	
(xix) Cartmell Gardening - parish	772.68	
(xx) Flowers from J & P Hanson	65.75	
(xxi) Stoneplan	2.76	
(xxii) J Chapman staitoenry	14.19	
(xxiii) All Design and Print	130.00	
(xxiv) Kidz Klub grant	500.00	
Income		
Interest	£1.55	
Cemetery	£45.00	

Account Balances:

Cemetery Account	£7795.74
Treasurers Account	£19320.69
Contingency Account	£8047.57. + £15,000 (bond)
Premium Account	£18286.00. + £10,000 (bond)

(b) Finance committee report- the following recommendations were approved

- (i) a grant of £500 to Kidz Klub **Resolution 100614/08**
- (ii) To top up any shortfall in donations for the costs associated with the forthcoming Public Inquiry to a maximum of £2,000
Resolution 100614/10
- (iii) Update the Risk Assessment and Risk Management document
Resolution 100614/11
- (iv) To approve the Audit Report **Resolution 100614/12**
- (v) to approve the Annual Return **Resolution 100614/13**
- (vi) To approve the updated Financial Regulations **Resolution 100614/14**
- (vii) to re-invest the Bonds for a further three months **Resolution 100614/15**

- (viii) to approve a direct debit to ICO for the annual registration fee
Resolution 100614/16
- (ix) to approve existing direct debits and arrange direct debit for the Yorkshire Water account for the cemetery. **Resolution 100614/17**

9. HIGHWAYS

The Highways report, prepared by Cllr Tuohey was noted by the Council.

Concerns were expressed as to the trees felled by the Garrison Church and it was agreed to write to Annington Homes on this matter as it was believed that the felled trees were in good condition although not TPO'd

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. CPRE magazine – noted

Rural Action Yorkshire – annual report – noted

Email from resident regarding cars in refuges on York Road with “For Sale” notices attached. Cllr Wiseman advised that trading on the Highway is illegal and should be passed to CoYC Highways for action.

11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR JULY

- (i) War memorial
- (ii) Kirklands Playground

12. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 8TH July 2014 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.05pm

Signed..... 8th July 2014

Chairman

Police Report MAY 2014

DAMAGE 4
BURGLARY 1
DRUGS 1

OTHER 1
THEFT 4
VIOLENCE 6

TOTAL 17 14 previous Year

There has been a slight increase in crime across the Ward compared to last year although the overall figure is still very low.

The burglary relates to an incident at the Veterinary Surgery at Earswick. The damage were spread across the ward and the month with no particular pattern. One was linked to an incident at a Public House which has also been one of the recorded Violence jobs. The thefts are of unattended items left in front of properties that have been taken.

Appendix 2

HIGHWAYS REPORT FOR 10TH JUNE 2014 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (INTERIM)

Items Reported

There are currently 9 outstanding issues with CYC and 1 with the land owner of the alleyway by Tesco which are:

- One item from the walkout on 4/7/2011 remain outstanding namely worn carriageway markings on Towthorpe Road (YCC 10509386) which is awaiting large patching works for resolution. These patching works are now being undertaken (first reported 4/7/2011). As of 31/5/2014, the white lining, including reinstatement of SLOW markings had not been undertaken.
- A query regarding level differences between a utility trench and the alleyway between Tesco and Southfields Road is still awaiting action despite assurances the works would be undertaken. This appears to be getting worse and is probably associated with water pipes.
- A proposal from the PC's Long Term Planning Committee to reduce congestion in The Village by introducing additional no waiting restrictions was submitted to CYC (YCC 101654037 City Strategy Reference B30530). A site meeting occurred on the 10th October 2012 and a positive response was obtained from CYC to extend yellow lines. This will now require working up into a proposal but, with resources and funding, it is not expected that any works will take place before financial year 2012-2013. It is worth noting that the Parish Council still receives correspondence regarding congestion in this and the adjacent areas.
- I have reported faded junction markings at Glebe Close/York Road and Parkgate/Brecks Lane. I have also reported the faded level crossing road markings on the Golf Club Side of Strensall Level Crossing. CYC numbers are awaited.
- Drainage issues by Northfields/The Village (by Number 71) have been reported.
- The Parish Clerk has written to CYC regarding the alleged damage caused to York Road by construction traffic not following the agreed route, as per the planning constraints, for the Tannery.
- For items 4 to 6, I have chased CYC up (5/5/2014) for a response as to why no work is taking place or a response given. None has yet been received.
- Potholes have been reported on Parkgate and Barley Rise.
- I am quite happy that any Parish Councillor who sees highways defects reports them direct (ycc@york.go.uk or 01904 551550) or emails me the details rather than waiting for the Parish Council Meetings. If you do report them directly, the reference number should be taken and passed to me as it helps in chasing up issues.
- There appear to be long term issues with the CYC computer system that means reference numbers are not being obtained.

Other Issues

1. I have been in correspondence with Ward Councillor Doughty who has obtained an answer to the 20mph rollout in Strensall from Richard Holland, Project Manager, CYC who states "*The implementation of the 20mph speed limit programme which I am project managing is only confined to residential streets within the York Outer Ring Road. Although there were once proposals to extend this programme beyond the A1237/A64, to the larger villages (such as Strensall etc), as it stands now, this is no longer planned*".
2. A resident had written to the Parish Council regarding the state of Middlecroft Drive which has been reported several times with the latest being 16/6/2014. After an article in "In Touch", Ward Councillor Doughty has confirmed that there is a resurfacing scheme in the 2014-2015 budget (implementation date unknown) which will resurface from the junction of Fossland View to the junction of Wood Close with micro-asphalt.

Dermot Tuohey 3rd June 2014