

Evenwood & Barony Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY 11 JULY 2017

COUNCILLORS: B. Nicholson (Chair) A. Lyons
R. Webb P. Townsend
M. Prince R. Spraggon
P. Townsend
Clerk: Martin Clark

Visitors: Two residents whose names were recorded.

County Cllr S. Hugill

T. Brookes – Teesdale Mercury

Public Participation:

A resident asked why the council would not let the cricket club have CCTV.

Cllr Nicholson informed the resident the trustees had not said no, but not yet. The council would do what is required and do it properly.

The resident was advised to read the correspondence to the cricket club which is freely available

No one else present wished to speak

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were tendered and approved for Cllr Maude (unwell), Cllr Sewell (unwell) & Cllr Donovan (work). No apologies were tendered by Cllr English

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cllr Webb declared a personal interest in item 10.2

3. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 13 JUNE 2017:

RESOLVED: The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 13 June 2017 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Lyons

4. PROGRESS REPORT FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JUNE 2017:

The Clerk confirmed his report issued with the agenda.

He added that agreed actions under Operation Spruce Up had still not been carried out.

These were being chased up – Cleaning of the bus shelters, painting of the black and white bollards outside Ramshaw School and removal of weeds on the path from Jubilee to Brookside and the drain repair/clearance.

The Police report for June was referred to:

Violence Against Person

01/06 – The Centre.

26/06 – Wellgarth. Named suspect, minor injury. Injured party did not wish to pursue the incident. Full apology made and accepted by injured party.

Theft

11/06 – Swan Street. Theft of garden ornaments. CCTV poor quality, no witnesses

Criminal Damage

12/06 – Lynas Place. Damage to fence. No witnesses/CCTV.

25/06 – Alexandra Terrace. Damage to garden.

Harassment

21/06 – South View.

Road Related

12/06 – Randolph Industrial Estate. Manner of driving

15/06 – Shirley Close. Manner of driving.

23/06 – Wellgarth. Manner of driving.

Road Traffic Collision

28/06 – Oaks Bank. Car v child. No injury. Child at fault on this occasion.

ASB

15 reports of off road or mopeds causing a nuisance.

14/06 – Manor Street. Named youth sitting on wall looking into complainants home address. Details sent to ASB Unit, Chilton.

26/06 – Copeland Row. Noise complaint. Council Informed.

29/06 – Alpine Terrace. Youth nuisance. Area search no trace.

RESOLVED: The July Progress Report was noted.

5. LOCAL MAINTENANCE:

Cllr Webb referred to weeds growing through the footpath at Delaware. It wasn't clear if the county council had missed the area when recently spraying.

Cllr Lyon reported the hedges are overgrown by the Ramshaw Bridge

Cllr Prince referred to the weed growth from Jubilee to Brookside and the drain that has still not been improved.

Cllr Lyon asked if the damaged 'fireman's pole' in Ramshaw play area could be removed.

Action: The Clerk will either report, chase up previous reports or arrange works

6. JACOB WRIGHT ALMSHOUSES:

A vacancy exists for a nominated parish council trustee for the Jacob Wright Almshouse.

RESOLVED: Cllr Lyons agreed to represent the council on the Jacob Wright Almshouses trust.

7. CORESPONDANCE:

7.1 Open invitation to the opening on Saturday 15 July of the sensory garden at Cornerstone. Noted

8. FINANCE/ACCOUNTS:

8.1 July meeting Finance Report

RESOLVED: The July Financial Report was proposed as a true record by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Townsend

9. ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE:

Cllr Webb referred to her recent walk around the Delaware allotment site. A number of plots appear to not being worked and are very overgrown (pictures shown).

It was felt that if tenants are not working the plots then they should vacate and allow people on from the waiting list.

Cllr Nicholson explained the processes and the tenancy agreement.

It was agreed the matter will require further discussion once a full inspection has been carried out.

10. PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS:

Cllr Webb had declared a personal interest in item 10.2

10.1 DM/17/01940/FPA – Mrs Burns, 1 Bowes Close, Ramshaw, DL14 0NX – Replacement of existing roof providing attic accommodation with rear extension. Noted.

10.2 DM/17/01901/FPA Mr S Douthwaite – change of use of plot of land from grazing land to domestic garden area. Noted

11. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING & AGENDA ITEMS:

Tuesday 12 September 2017, 7.00pm, Parish Hall, Evenwood

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