

Evenwood & Barony Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY 10 JULY 2018

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

Visitors: T. Brookes Teesdale Mercury.
1 resident whose name was recorded

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No member of the public present wished to speak

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were tendered and approved for Cllr Donovan (holiday) & Cllr Webb (holiday)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None declared

3. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12 JUNE 2018:

RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting were proposed as a true record by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Maude.

4. PROGRESS REPORT FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 12 JUNE 2018:

The Clerk confirmed his report issued with the agenda.

An update was given on the benches in Windmill. Both are now installed, and the noticeboard will go up shortly.

RESOLVED: The Progress report was noted.

5. LOCAL MAINTENANCE:

5.1 Cllr Prince referred to blocked drains from Bank Top down to Brookside and hedges overhanging the footpath. **Action:** The Clerk will report the blocked drains and investigate who the hedges belong too before looking about taking any action.

5.2 Cllr Prince asked if the hedges around the bus shelter at Fairfield could be cut back.

Action: The Clerk will report

5.3 Cllr Townsend referred to the damage to the play area

5.4 Cllr Nicholson referred to ongoing issues – Bus shelter at Bank Top has still not been cleaned, the replacement bollards planned for around parts of the village green

The Clerk referred to the bus shelter being reported twice, and the bollard work is due this week.

Cllr Nicholson referred to the flower tubs planted in Ramshaw and being looked after by residents. Could the council look to planting the 8 tubs it has in Evenwood. Members raised the issue of watering and repairs, but no decision was taken on moving the suggestion forward.

5.5 Cllr Nicholson referred to small plaques being placed on benches located in Evenwood and the Barony. These would commemorate those lost in armed conflict. Members agreed to continue with this.

6. CORRESPONDANCE:

6.1 Citizens Advice Bureau – Donation request.

RESOLVED: It was proposed the parish council donate £25.00 to the Citizens Advice Bureau by Cllr Sewell. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Spraggon

6.2 CDALC – Notification of an invitation to a Neighbourhood Protection event being held at County Hall on Wednesday 18th July. Noted

7. FINANCE/ACCOUNTS:

7.1 The Clerk advised members of 1 further invoices post the report issued:

CE & CM Walker (June grass cuts) £816.00

Cllr Prince referred to the recorded cleared invoice for Smith Roddam £947.00 on the report. The Clerk advised her the approved payment from May's meeting was for legal fees, ring fenced from the previous year for the lease on the Randolph Community Centre. This was also clarified to Cllr Prince at the May meeting.

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

Cllr Nicholson advised members that due to the grass not being cut in Lands by the volunteer the council financially supported, the council have arranged a contractor to carry out the work this season. The 2019 season may see this area being added to the current contract.

At this point the Chair asked if members were content to hear item 7.2 after item 9 on the agenda. **RESOLVED:** Proposed by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Lyons

8. PLANNING:

Decision: Approved.

DM/18/00802/FPA Trotters Arms, Gordon Lane, Ramshaw – 1 no. residential dwelling and conversion of existing building to 3 no. flats, detached garage. Noted.

9. REMEMBRANCE EVENT 2018:

Cllr Nicholson gave members an update on the plans for this years 100 year commemorative remembrance event on Friday 9th November. It is hoped that all councillors will be able to attend this year.

- Invitations will be going out this week for printing
- There will be a hot and cold buffet held at the Randolph Community Centre
- Dr Said has almost completed the addition to go on the memorial and is working with the two schools to help them produce additional poppies to go in to the art work.
Members were shown a photograph of the art work
- The school children will meet this year at the Randolph Community Centre and then pipers will escort them to the memorial and back – the safety issues will be discussed with the schools
- If a grant is obtained, 3 silhouettes of soldiers will be placed by the memorial, along the short route and at the community centre – This is dependant on the grant being obtained
- Cornerstone delivering the service

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

Press and public left the meeting

Item 7.2 Council Community Fund budget and recent events in relation to the fire at Ramshaw Transport

Members discussed the recent fire At Ramshaw Removals which saw six families having to move out of their homes due to diesel contamination and the Community budget and how it may be used, if required. Any request for assistance would require sensitive scrutiny before any decision is made.

Press and public to return

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

Tuesday 11 September 2018, 7.00pm, Venue: Parish Hall, Evenwood

Signed.....

Dated.....

