

GUNTHWAITE AND INGBIRCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 17th NOVEMBER 2021, 7.30 PM, FOUNTAIN VILLAGE PUB

PRESENT; Councillors Edmondson, Karle, Berry, Ogden, Guest; A. Murphy (Clerk); 1 member of the public

(1) TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

(2) TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No declarations were received.

(3) TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6TH OCTOBER 2021

Resolved – minutes confirmed and signed as accurate.

(4) TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING ONGOING ISSUES AND DECIDE FURTHER ACTION WHERE NECESSARY.

4.1 TO CONSIDER REMOTE MEETING OPTIONS AVAILABLE AT THE FOUNTAIN VILLAGE PUB FUNCTION ROOM.

Noted – Councillor Berry confirmed that Wi-Fi/broadband is available in the function room and the Council can use this as part of the existing hire arrangement.

Resolved – a remote meeting ‘pilot phase’ will commence in time for the next meeting. Initially members of the public who cannot physically access meetings will be asked to contact the Clerk about this. Councillor Berry will arrange the technical set up. The pilot phase outcomes will be reviewed in three months’ time.

(5) TO ADJOURN THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING IN ORDER TO RECEIVE COMMENT AND QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS.

Noted - member of the public present raised issues about security fencing at the rear of the building site adjacent to playing field, as it encroaches on a footpath causing access problems for walkers.

Also there is a deep drain there and they are concerned about possible damage from construction vehicles. Resolved – Councillor Edmondson will approach the site manager to raise these concerns.

Noted – member of public also requested larger bin bags for new playing field bin, and flagged up an increase in dog fouling. Resolved – Council will pay for new bin bags. Councillor Karle will look into signage to address the dog fouling issue.

(6) TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER PROGRESS OF THE INGBIRCHWORTH PETANQUE CLUB.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson noted that the Blackstone Edge grant application response is still outstanding. Councillor Karle reported that the Club have to resolve some administrative issues (e.g.

bank account must be in two names) that are required for successful grant applications. Councillor Guest noted some potential interest in petanque in Upper Denby and the possibility to link up with this.

Resolved – Councillor Guest will arrange a meeting of interested parties to help the petanque club progress their fundraising activities.

(7) TO RECEIVE ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

2021/1392 – Erection of rear extension and external works including alterations to boundary wall.

Noted – no comments by Council.

(8) TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER PROGRESS AROUND PARKING ISSUES AT INGBIRCHWORTH RESERVOIR AND WELLTHORNE LANE.

Noted – Councillor Berry said that the October meeting had gone well; a single candidate site has been identified. Councillor Berry has since received a further update from Yorkshire Water who intend to submit a planning application to Barnsley Council. Councillors Guest and Karle noted that speed reduction measures and double yellow lines requested in a previous meeting for the junction of Annat Royd lane and Wellthorne Lane need to be progressed in parallel.

Resolved – Clerk will write to BMBC Highways requesting the traffic control measures to be installed.

(9) TO CONSIDER FUTURE MAINTENANCE OPTIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S OUTDOOR ASSETS, CURRENTLY DONE BY COUNCILLORS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson noted that a lot of community outdoor/street furniture maintenance work is done on a voluntary basis by current and former Councillors / volunteers, this is working well now but succession planning is needed.

Resolved – Councillor Edmondson to check how much time existing volunteers spend doing the work required. Clerk to look into how Parish Councils could take someone on in a self-employed capacity.

(10) TO RECEIVE AND NOTE PROGRESS ON STORAGE OF COUNCIL OWNED ITEMS.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson has looked into various options for an 8' by 8ft freestanding storage unit, including flat pack metal containers which range from £1500 to £2500 (incl. VAT), as well as used shipping containers quoted at £1950 (incl. VAT). Councillors agreed that storage at Summerford was on balance better than the playing field as it allowed ease of access when equipment is needed, while mitigating the vandalism risk by being visible from the road.

Resolved – Councillors agreed that a used shipping container would be more secure, a final quote to be ready for the next meeting.

(11) TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACES.

11.1 TO RECEIVE ANY UPDATE ABOUT WALKS/FEATURES ROUND THE PICNIC AREA FOR CHILDREN.

Noted – Councillor Guest will look into using organisations that deliver interactive walks for children, for example using an animal character of local interest, with the aim of having something ready for the Jubilee celebration in 2022.

11.2 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE OUTCOME OF THE COMMUNITY NATURE PROJECT EVENTS.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson said that Twiggs had done three mid-week sessions with three of their staff; very few volunteers from the Community (apart from Councillors) were there. Councillor Karle said that events arranged at the weekend may suit residents with families and/or who work during the week better, also to consider providing cake or finishing at the Fountain as an extra incentive.

11.3 TO RECEIVE ANY UPDATE ABOUT THE CHANGE OF SIGNAGE/NEW FENCING AT THE ANNAT ROYD SITE.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson looked into the cost of new fencing which came out at £335 per 20 metres just for the materials, will measure the total needed and ask local farmers if they can help out.

Resolved – Councillor Edmondson will remove the existing sign.

Noted – a member of the public contacted the Chairman about motorbikes using the Gunthwaite causeway, although it is a public bridleway only.

Resolved - Councillor Edmondson will contact BMBC footpaths team again to see if any sort of gate/restriction can be installed to restrict access.

Noted – a member of the public has requested wood preservative for benches and grass treatment at the War Memorial, Wellthorne Avenue.

Resolved – Council agreed that £40 can be spent by a volunteer on materials so they can get on with the job and the Council will reimburse them if receipts are provided.

(12) TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO USE THE PLAYING FIELD TO HOST A RUNNING EVENT FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN IN 2022.

Noted – Clerk contacted by member of public who is no longer planning this in 2022.

(13) TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER COSTS OF NECESSARY SOFTWARE UPDATES FOR THE PARISH LAPTOP.

Resolved – Clerk to upgrade software at approximate annual cost of £150 (exact cost not available as first year introductory offers are lower than subsequent years).

(14) TO RECEIVE UPDATES ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AND THE CHRISTMAS TREE SWITCH-ON.

Noted – Member of public wished to make a memorial out of wood, Councillor Guest felt that the Council should support the Royal British Legion charity that already make these.

Resolved – Councillor Edmondson requested that the Clerk should minute the Council's thanks to the following people for their contributions on Remembrance Sunday - Revd. Stocker and Miss Elizabeth Stocker for the service, Mr. Gordon Wilmot for playing 'the Last Post', Cmdr. Mel White for playing 'Crossing the Bar', Councillor Anne Rusby from Penistone Town Council and Councillor David Greenhaugh from Barnsley Council (Penistone West Ward) for laying wreaths.

Noted – Christmas tree has been delivered and switch on event is on December 4th.

(15) TO RECEIVE PROGRESS ON PURCHASE OF A GAZEBO.

Resolved – Clerk to get updated prices and circulate.

(16) TO CONSIDER MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY.

16.1 CLERK HAS WRITTEN TO BMBC HIGHWAYS ABOUT STREET NAME SIGNS AND POTHoles, HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT THESE SHOULD BE REPORTED VIA THE BMBC WEBSITE INSTEAD.

Noted – all issues logged on BMBC website.

16.2 CLERK HAS PASSED ON A REQUEST FOR SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES (SIDS) TO BE USED ON THE A629 TO ONE OF THE BMBC HIGHWAYS TEAM.

Noted.

(17) TO CONSIDER MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

Nothing for referral.

(18) TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER CRIME AND SAFETY MATTERS

Nothing for consideration.

(19) FINANCIAL MATTERS

19.1 TO RECEIVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND NOTE INCOME RECEIVED

Accounts for payment

10.11	#655	D Edmondson	Village Christmas Tree	£270.00
10.11	#656	D Edmondson	Defib battery/pads	£374.40
10.11	#657	Denby PCC	Village Hall room hire (May, July, Aug, Sept 2021)	£142.50
10.11	#658	Gunthwaite & Ingbirchworth Parish Council	Payment to Council's Reserve account (earmarked reserve)	£6,627.00

Income received

30.09	Nat West Bank	Interest	£0.01
29.10	Nat West Bank	Interest	£0.01

19.2 TO NOTE BANK RECONCILIATION REPORT TO OCT 29TH

Noted.

19.3 TO CONSIDER THE BUDGET MONITOR REPORT.

Noted.

(20) TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

20.1 PENISTONE TOWN COUNCIL – REQUEST TO LAY A WREATH AT INGBIRCHWORTH REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE, CLLR. RUSBY WILL ATTEND.

20.2 MEMBER OF PUBLIC REPORTING CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC ACCESSING BUILDING SITE AT TOP OF WELTHORNE LANE VIA ANNAT ROYD LANE NOT A629, THEY REPORTED IT DIRECTLY TO CONROY BROOK.

20.3 YLCA WHITE ROSE UPDATES/LAW AND GOVERNANCE BULLETINS (OCT) – WAR MEMORIAL TRUST PROVIDE GRANTS TO MAINTAIN AND REPAIR MEMORIALS.

20.4 INVITATION TO A PARISH COUNCILS MEETING WITH BMBC ON DECEMBER 9TH HELD REMOTELY, CLERK WILL ATTEND.

(21) TO CONFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE AS WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 22ND 2021.

Noted – Councillor Guest suggested early January would be a better date for the next meeting as it avoids Christmas week when the Fountain is likely to be busier and potentially noisier.

Resolved – next meeting will be on Wednesday January 5th 2022. An Extraordinary Meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 26th January 2022 to discuss matters relating to the Councils' plans for the making best use of the playing field.