

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GUNTHWAITE AND INGBIRCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 4TH DECEMBER 2017 IN DENBY CHURCH

PRESENT; Councillors Edmondson, Batley, Whitbread, Heeley, Dist. Cllr. Milner, Adam Price, John Twigg and J. Methley (clerk)

- (1) APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – No apologies were received. No declarations of interest on the items on the agenda were received.
- (2) TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 23RD OCTOBER

Proposed Councillor Batley, sec. Councillor Whitbread that the previous minutes be signed as a correct record.

- (3) TO REPORT ANY MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Councillor Batley referred to item 4 from the last minutes. When Mrs. Rickets attended the meeting on behalf of Cumberworth Junior Football club she was asked by the Parish Councillors to request that the goal posts should be secured so that other people cannot use them. He reported that this has not been done and the clerk agreed to write to them and ask that this be done and also to inform us when they will be playing again.

- (4) TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CLEAN AND TIDY GROUP – John Twigg and Adam Price came along and spoke about the work they will be undertaking for the clean and tidy group. This can range from litter picking, grass cutting, tree pruning and other ground maintenance work. If they undertake any work in parishes they would like to encourage volunteers to take part in the project. Councillor Edmondson outlined projects which the Parish Council would like help with, i.e. Annat Royd Quarry – cutting bracken back, take tree plastic protection guards away from any of the trees around the football field, clear the stream on the sand beds and general tidying up and repairs to stone surround, if needed, at Gunthwaite Spa. John and Adam agreed that these schemes would come under their remit and agreed to take a look at the areas over the next few days.

- (5) TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR BATLEY ON INFORMATION FROM THE PENISTONE CRIME AND SAFETY GROUP AND BRING ANY ITEMS TO THEIR ATTENTION.

Councillor Batley reported that there has been a marked increase on crimes in the area. A lot of these are 2 for 1 burglaries, where thieves gain access to a property and take money and jewellery. Please be vigilant and if any strangers or strange cars are seen in the area please report them.

- (6) TO RECEIVE ANY INFORMATION ON PARISH PATHS – A communication has been received from Rik Catling Public Rights of Way regarding High Lane and Ingbirchworth Lane. He states that they have received two applications from the Trail Riders Fellowship which claim these two areas should be recorded as Byways Open to all Traffic. They state they have received 9 forms by people claiming to have used High Lane with a motor vehicle – 3 claim 20 years and the rest 5-8 years use. 11 forms have been submitted in connection with Ingbirchworth Lane, 4 claim 20 years, 1 claims 13 years and the rest 5-6 years. Councillor Edmondson replied to this advising that the Parish Councillors have not been aware of this not had concerns expressed to them by any residents. The parish councillors do not consider that historical

use by motorised vehicles has been sufficiently established to claim that rights already exist and redesignation as byways open to all traffic is therefore justified.

(7) TO ADJOURN THE MEETING TO RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM RESIDENTS – No residents attended the meeting.

(8) TO CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE AGENDA WAS PREPARED – No applications have been received.

District Councillor Milner stated that planning applications are no longer to be sent out in paper form. These will be able to be viewed on line.

(9) TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON APPROVED/DECLINED APPLICATIONS - Notification has been received that Application 2016/0215 Erection of detached agricultural workers dwelling has been granted.

(10) TO BRING ANY ITEMS TO THE ATTENTION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES- Councillor Batley stated that he had e-mailed Neighbourhood Series regarding some commercial tyres which have been dumped. These have been removed.

(11) TO RECEIVE ANY ITEM IN RELATION TO HIGHWAYS – An e-mail has been received from Stephen Croft which states he has spoken with his colleague Gary McNaught Principal Engineer, Traffic and Road Safety . Unfortunately he is unable to meet with the Parish Council to further discuss this matter. This proposed scheme was outlined to Dist. Cllr Milner who agreed that this would be a good solution to this parking problem. He agreed to take this up with Highways on our behalf.

With regard to leaf collection they normally commence this work once the grass cutting season has finished but a team will be despatched in the next couple of days to clear them.

Dist. Cllr Milner reported that he has been in contact with Highways regarding the list of work which the Parish Council would like to have considered. Highways have agreed to respond to the clerk as soon as possible.

(12) TO DISCUSS LAPTOP SERVICE – Councillor Karle took this in for a service and a Health check. A report has been received which showed there were 7 viruses on the laptop.

(13) TO RECEIVE ANY NEWSLETTERS/CIRCULARS – A letter has been received from the Mayoral and Civic Support officer inviting members of the Parish Council to the Civic Carol Service on Thursday, 21st December at Barnsley. No one is able to attend.

(14) TO REPORT ON THE ARMISTICE SERVICE – This service was very well attended and Councillor Edmondson stated he had arranged with five young people to put the wooden crosses down when the soldiers name was called out. Councillor Batley thanked Dist. Cllr Milner for attending and laying a wreath. Thanks were expressed to Charles Coupe for reading the names and also Lynne Edmondson for providing the music.

A discussion took place regarding possibly providing a stone plaque and having the five names of soldiers who lost their lives in the war engraved on it. Councillor Batley stated he had spoken to Jim Milner who said he would be willing to help. Councillor Edmondson also said he would like to get a booklet put together giving details of the soldiers families etc. Cllr Milner stated that he thought

funding would be available from the Ward Alliance but it hoped to put a grant in under the Infnis funding.

(15) TO REPORT ON THE CHRISTMAS TREE SWITH ON – This was very well attended and enjoyed by all. A letter of thanks is to be sent to Annette Hird for all hr hard work making soup, hot mince pies etc. and also Michel Berry for taking this around to everyone.

(16) TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE CONCLUSION OF THE AUDIT – following the comments received from the auditors regarding the asset list, the clerk telephoned them and asked for an explanation. It would appear that the costs involved in the war memorial have to be the actual costs involved and not the ones used for insurance. Therefore the war memorial has to be £3850.00 the two seats and flag stones listed as£1.00 eah.

(17) TO AGREE PAYMENTS AND NOTE INCOME RECEIVED – Four invoices were put forward for payment and the cheques drawn and signed.

478	Denby PCC	9 meetings at £30.00 each	£270.00
479	K. Batley	Outdoor low voltage cable	£19.98
480	Billingley Chrisstmas Trees	Christmas tree	£198.00
481	S. Heeley	Misc. Equipment	£9.56

Income received. Nat. West. Interest .01p

(19) LIST OF DATES FOR MEETING FOR 2018.

The clerk prepared a list of dates for the year of 2018 and this was agreed.

(20) TO CONFIRM THAT THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH JANUARY 2018 AT 7.30 pm IN DENBY CHURCH.