

MINUTES OF THE GUNTHWAITE AND INGBIRCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 2ND MARCH 2015 HELD IN ST. JOHNS CHURCH, UPPER DENBY

PRESENT: Councillors Batley, Coupe (Chair), Edmondson, Hallos, Whitbread, District Councillor Rusby and J. Methley (Clerk)

- (1) APOLOGIES - None received.
- (2) DECLARATION OF INTEREST - None made.
- (3) SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE - Councillor Batley reported information from the Crime and Safety Meeting, i.e. bogus charity collectors, one having been arrested, and theft of 600 ltrs of domestic fuel from a property in Gunthwaite.
- (4) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING - Proposed Councillor Batley, sec. Councillor Whitbread that the minutes of the previous meeting be agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.
- (5) ANY MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA -

Councillor Whitbread reported that some rubbish has been tipped at Annat Royd. Councillor Coupe stated he had also seen this and had E-mailed B.M.B.C. about it and confirmed it has been removed.

District Councillor Rusby brought up the matter of the Parish Council having a community centre within the village as grants may be available. This was discussed but it was agreed that this would be a good idea but there is no land available to build.

The Clerk reported that she attended a Clerks Liaison meeting on the 17th February, when various items were discussed. She raised the matter of the lack of response to letters sent to various departments and also the lack of response from Tanya Hunter regard-the possible erection of a War Memorial and leasing the land. He agreed to contact Tanya Hunter regarding this matter. Ian Turner has sent to the Clerk information regarding War Memorial Trust where grants may be obtained from.

The process of the elections, which is to take place on 7th May, was also outlined at some length. Election nomination papers have to be picked up on the 23rd March by the Clerk and then each nominee has to complete and return by the 9th April.

Copies of Register of Members Interests have also been received for completion by elected councillors.

- (6) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES -

(a) Highways Matters - War Memorial. Following the conversation with Andrew Frostick Tanya Hunter telephoned the Clerk and con-firmed that this has now been delegated to someone to process, and she agreed to try and get this moving as soon as possible. No information has been received about the lease and flower beds.

Overhanging branches, Wellthorne Avenue - Councillor Batley reported that he has spoken to Eric Steer about this matter but these branches have still not been cut back.

Overhanging foliage which obstructs Ings Way - A letter dated 5th February has been received from W. Atkins, Highways, which states that he did not receive the letter sent on 11th November.

He now confirms that the location will be inspected and the owner of the property requested to cut back this vegetation. No action has yet been taken so it was agreed to write again.

(b) Neighbourhood Services — The item of rubbish dumped at Annat Royd has been dealt with earlier in the minutes.

(c) Playing Field - Mr. Pears has now completed the path and done an excellent job.

Councillor Batley reported the the contractor has now started rebuilding the wall taken down at the top of the football field.

A discussion took place regarding doing some type of drainage on the field because of excessive water. It was suggested that information be obtained in respect of running a 'mole' under the surface of the playing area.

Councillor Batley agreed to make enquiries and obtain costs from someone he is aware of.

It was agreed that some reseeding may be needed to areas when the weather is better.

(d) Grit/Salt Spreader - Councillor Batley brought along a brochure showing types of spreaders available which cost £315.05 per unit. It was agreed that if purchased this spreader could also be used on the football field, i.e. seeding or putting down fertilizer. Councillor Edmondson suggested buying two units so one is available for use at the bottom end of the village. It was agreed to approach the Ward Alliance to see if any funding would be available and Councillor Edmondson agreed to look into this.

(e) Cardiac Machine - Councillor Batley stated he has made a template for the box which the machine will be kept in and he and Councillor Whitbread are to fit this to the wall. Councillor Coupe has spoken to an electrician who has agreed to do the wiring when the box is fitted, and he has also spoken to Emma Scott of South Yorkshire Ambulance service who has agreed to come along and give training on the use of the machine. Councillor Coupe agreed to contact the landlord at the Fountain Inn to see if he would allow one of his rooms to be used. As soon as all information is collated Councillor Edmondson will produce a news letter for distribution around the village.

The Clerk agreed to contact Came & Co. and ask them to add this on to the assets register they hold.

(f) Bus Service 24 - A letter dated 5th February has been received from S.Y.P.T.E. They confirm that service 24 will not be withdrawn as this service is operated by Tates under contract to SYPTE until July 2016. The details regarding missed services have been passed to Tates for consideration to ensure all drivers are aware of the routes. However, if any services are missed particulars of day, time and direction of travel to be noted and forwarded to SYPTE.

Although a request had been made to be kept up to date with any changes to services it has been learnt that Service 29, which runs from Sheffield to Denby Dale has been altered. This service now runs only to Penistone in the evening, not to Denby Dale, and no service at all operates to Ingbirchworth on a Sunday.

It was agreed to write again regarding this issue and also to Angela Smith MP.

(g) Infinis — Further information has been received from Infinis and copies of the new document have been signed by the Clerk and Councillor Edmondson and returned to Alan Pestell.

(7) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application No. 2015/0083 — Erection of an orangery extension to dwelling and detached garage, Far Broad Oak Farmhouse, Gunthwaite.

No objections raised.

Notification has been received that Application 2014/1442, Erection of 3 wind turbines, Spicer Hill, has been refused.

Councillor Edmondson asked if any reply had been received to letter dated 15th December in respect of the development on Yorkshire Water Land at the top of Wellthorne Lane. The Clerk said no response had been received and it was agreed to write again.

(8) YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASS. - Copy of White Rose Update and copies of minutes received and noted.

(9) CORRESPONDENCE - Copy of Fire and Rescue Authority briefing note for February received.

(10) PARISH PATHS – Nothing to report

(11) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT - One account has been received and the necessary cheque drawn and signed.

352 T & D Contractors	Grass Cutting	£1152.00
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Money received.

Nat. Westminster.	Interest	0.05p.
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(12) DATE OF NEXT MEETING - The next meeting is to be held on Monday, 20th April 2015 at 7.30 in St. Johns Church, Upper Denby

(13) CLERKS SALARY - The Clerk left the room at this stage so the Councillors could discuss a pay increase in line with National Ass. of Local Councils recommendations. The Clerk was called back in and she was informed that this had been approved.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

Chairman _____

Date _____