

BISHOP MONKTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bishop Monkton Parish Council held Tuesday 21st November 2023 in the Methodist Room, Bishop Monkton.

Commenced: 19.30 hours

Concluded: 21.28 hours

Attending: Cllrs Verrill (Chairman) Parsons (Vice Chairman), Culshaw, Garnett, Shand and Cllr N Brown.

Also Present: Proper Officer and 3 members of the public.

- 2023/105 Introduction from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting.**
The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- 2023/106 To receive any apologies.**
There were no apologies received.
- 2023/107 To consider the apologies and decide whether to approve reasons for absence.**
This was not necessary as no apologies were received.
- 2023/108 Declaration of Interests**
- a) To receive any declarations of interest.
There were no declarations of interest made.
- b) To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation.
There were no applications for dispensation.
- 2023/109 To approve the minutes of the Bishop Monkton Parish Council Ordinary Meeting held Tuesday 17th October 2023.**
RESOLVED That the minutes be accepted as a true record of proceedings.
- 2023/110 To receive a report from Cllr Nick Brown of North Yorkshire County Council.**
- Cllr Brown reported that there are issues over the submission he has made in relation to the Kebble appeal.
 - The minutes from the meeting re Yorkshire Water will be circulated shortly. The next meeting is scheduled for February 2024.
 - The bi monthly forum has commenced, the first meeting been held 14.11.2023.
 - NYC are looking to make cost savings. Further details will be available in the forthcoming months.
 - Cllr Brown has monies left in his locality budget. Council to decide on a project and advise him accordingly.
 - Cllr Brown is the stakeholder on the Harrogate Hospital Trust.
- Item 2023/115 c was brought forward.
RESOLVED That Mr Swainston be co-opted onto Bishop Monkton Parish Council. The Acceptance of Office paperwork was signed. The Clerk handed Mr Swainston the Register of Interests to complete.
- 2023/111 Clerk's report.** To note the clerks report.
The clerks report was noted.
- 2023/112 Financial matters.**
- a) To approve the payments as per the schedule attached.
RESOLVED That the payments be approved.

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- b) To note the ongoing approved payments as per the schedule attached.
The ongoing payments were noted.
- c) To note the bank reconciliation and budget comparison as attached.
The bank reconciliation and budget comparison was noted.

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Planning matters.

- a) To consider and make observations on the following planning applications.
- b) To note planning decisions as per attached document.
- c) To note planning enforcements as per attached document.

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Ongoing matters. .

- a) To receive an update from Cllr Shand on the provision of play equipment for older children.
Cllrs Verrill and Shand met with Streetscape who have measured up and are going to produce some designs and costs. Also doing a quote for an outside gym. There are funds available in S106 towards the start of funding revenues.
RESOLVED That the clerk complete a PID for S106 funds for this area.
- b) To receive an update from the working party in relation to the plan to provide an item to celebrate the Coronation of HM King Charles III, namely the Coronation Walk and decide any action as appropriate.
RESOLVED To defer this item to the next meeting.
- c) To receive an update on traffic calming on Knaresborough Road and consider any action required.
Area 6 created the order to re-site the chicane, however they have removed it and now refuse to replace it. They suggest that the PC consider installing VAS units, however area 6 want movable ones and to be located at the other end of the village.
RESOLVED that the clerk write to Mellissa Burnham and request a site meeting in Bishop Monkton with members. Cllr Garnett to forward copy of original planning approval showing where the traffic calming was to be located.
- d) To receive an update on the enquires made to date in relation to providing a bus shelter on the A61.
RESOLVED to defer at present whilst traffic calming is dealt with.
- e) To receive costs for provision of grate across the beck.
RESOLVED Not to purchase.

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New matters and correspondence.

- a) To consider the purchase of a Christmas tree for the village.
RESOLVED to purchase the tree.
- b) To consider approval of expenditure to include lights and any other items necessary in the provision, erecting, decorating etc of the Christmas tree.
RESOLVED expenditure approved to the value of £500.00. The clerk to ask Cllr Brown if there is funding via the locality budget for this.
- c) To consider co-option of a new member.
This item was moved forward and heard following item 2023/110.

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- d) To consider the draft budget.
RESOLVED To accept the budget as presented by the clerk and agree the precept remain at £13,000.00 for the fiscal year 2024/2025.
- e) To note that the pay awards for 2023/2024 have been agreed. The award is payable to the clerk, backdate to 1st April 2023.
This was noted.
- f) To consider approval for the clerk to attend a course on writing grant applications and sourcing funding opportunities on Thursday 23rd November.
RESOLVED To approve the clerk attends this course.
- g) To receive the RoSPA play inspection report and consider any actions arising from same.
It was noted that the inspection had taken place at the local authority owned play area and not the one located at the village hall owned by the Parish Council.
RESOLVED That the clerk contact Harrogate council and RoSPA to arrange a new inspection.
- h) To receive an update on the meeting of the managing committee of BMVH.
RESOLVED to defer this item.
- i) To consider annual payment to resident in respect of maintenance of the war memorial.
RESOLVED
to pay the sum of £50.00. Dean to get correct name and spelling and bank details to facilitate payment.

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To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda at the next meeting.

- Mechanics Institute Clock.
- Hedgehogs.
- Communications with the villagers.
- To consider a method of how to communicate to residents of Roecliffe and Bishop Monkton when the Roecliffe Road has flooded.

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The next Ordinary meeting of Bishop Monkton Parish Council will be held Tuesday 19th December 2023 in the Methodist Room.

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Public participation.