

SMEATON WITH HORNBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 12th December 2022 at Great Smeaton Village Hall

Present: C White, R Goodchild, G Tuer, P Spence, J Evans, R Thomas, & 9 Members of the Public.

- 1. Apologies:** S Ferrie, A Wilkinson, S Watson
- 2. Minutes:** Minutes from the previous meeting discussed. There was one amendment to make, this will be done and will be signed off at the next meeting.
- 3. Crime report** – This was not received in time for inclusion in the meeting.
- 4. Matters Arising -**

Public Open Space and Recreation Plan – Two of the three proposals are now in place (benches and interpretation boards). The third allocation of funding which amounts to £2960.00 is suggested for childrens play equipment.

Discussions are still ongoing as to how this money could be spent.

Community Infrastructure Levy – Smeaton with Hornby Parish Council now have a fund totalling £12,749.31 that can be used to enhance the public areas in the Parish. It is proposed that this could be also used to help with the childrens play area, combined with the Public Open Space and Recreation Plan funding. Discussions are still on-going with Great Smeaton Primary School to investigate the potential of a joint play area.

Speeding – The speed survey has now been undertaken and the results have been provided by Highways. They show that although a high percentage of vehicles are travelling throughout the villages at speeds in excess of 30mph, it is not enough for Highways to action. It has been suggested that members of the public do report cases of speeding through the villages so that there are records to aid the argument for action to be taken. Cllr Wilkinson has offered the Parish Council funding from her Locality Budget that would provide a vehicle activated sign, with the aim of reminding drivers to keep their speed down. The Parish Council gladly accepted this offer, and discussions are ongoing between the Parish Council and the supplier to get a sign in situ. The sign will be able to be moved between the villages.

Parish Council Notice Board – Smeaton with Hornby Parish Council has been awarded a discretionary Local Budget Fund amount of £500 from NYCC which will help with costs of potential replacement. Cllr Spence has investigated a replacement notice board, and costings are around £600-£650. This meeting was attended by Simon Jones, Chair of the Great Smeaton Village Hall Committee, and it was suggested that perhaps the notice board could be located within the Village Hall grounds, with a board in keeping with the existing one used by the village hall.

It was also raised that Hornby notice board is in a poor state, and it may be possible to replace this one too using funding from either the Public Open Space & Recreation Plan, or CIL's.

Communication – The first draft of the website has just been received by Cllr Thomas for review. This is well underway. There was some discussion whether the website should remain just for Parish Council business, or should be used a Village information hub. It was decided to progress with a Village information hub, encompassing the three villages, to include local businesses, the school and village hall. Cllr Thomas is looking at the website going live early 2023.

The next newsletter is planned for mid-February. It was agreed that this also needs to be circulated electronically, and the Clerk will contact the Vicar to discuss (he kindly distributes village news via email).

5. Planning Applications

Works to trees in a Conservation Area – The East House, Great Smeaton (Ref: 22/02677/CAT) – NEW

(there is an additional application that has been granted – Ref 22/02706/DDD, with regards to a report by an arborist recommending that tree reference T20 (Birch) is felled due to being in poor condition. This was submitted and approved on the 23rd November 2022.) There are no observations concerning this.

Works to trees subject to a TPO – The East House, Great Smeaton (Ref: 22/02658/TPO) – NEW – No observations concerning this.

Remove or reduce the height of a sycamore tree in a conservation area– The Green, Great Smeaton (Ref: 22/00078/CAT) – Ongoing (No observations, if not in breach of TPO)

Listed building consent for the construction of 3 dwellings – Land adjacent to The East House, Great Smeaton (Ref: 22/00163/LBC)– Ongoing (No observations)

Overflow Pond - Thorpe Farm, Great Smeaton – Appeal, (currently being investigated by The Planning Inspectorate) – no further update as yet.

Modification of Condition 3 (Drainage) from Previously Approved Application – Land South West of Smeaton East Farm, Great Smeaton (Ref: 22/01074/REM) – Ongoing, no further update.

Installation of Electric Gates to Driveway Entrance, Verum Sui, Hornby (Ref: 22/02278/FUL) – NEW – No observations regarding this application

Application for outline planning permission with all matters reserved for 1 dwelling – Land to the South of Craig Isla, Long Lane, Hornby – Ongoing

Conversion of redundant barn to form two dwellings – Barn Adjacent to Bon Le House, Little Smeaton (Ref: 22/02668/FUL) – NEW

Eight members of the public attending the meeting with regards to this application. They expressed strongly that they would like to see this application refused, with reasons including:-

- Large barn is in constant use, it is not redundant
- Infrastructure is not adequate to support extra traffic (both plant and residential)
- Issues with noise, fires to dispose of building waste, heavy machinery
- Design is not in keeping with surrounding buildings
- Feel as though applicant is deceiving HDC by staging photographs etc.

We will object to this application.

6. Finance

Cheques Signed Off

£660.00 – NYCC (Speed Survey, Invoice 220003507)

£105.00 - Alverton Press (Newsletter, Invoice 23018)

£136.80 Walkers Grasscutting (Invoices 22350 & 22351)

£120.00 – Then Media (Website Design & Build, Invoice TMS-13824)

Precept – It was agreed to increase our precept by 50% for the forthcoming financial year. This would mean an increase from £2130.98 to £3196.47.

CILS – Notification was received that the Parish Council will shortly received a further amount of £820.24.

7. Correspondence

Warm Places Grant Fund – Clerk to forward details to the Church and Village Hall.

8. Any Other Business

Street Lights – Cllr Goodchild reported two streetlights that were not working. Clerk will report this on the Parish Portal.

9. Date of next meeting – 19.30, Tuesday 31st January 2023, Great Smeaton Village Hall

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