

DRAFT MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 14 July 2014

SCROOBY VILLAGE HALL

1. PRESENT

Chair Ed Marshall, District Councillor Barry Bowles, Christine Bailey, Elaine Gargett, Heidi Robbins, Treasurer Tony Smith, James Arrowsmith, Mark Firth, Matt Pollard, Clerk Sheila Firth.

2. Apologies

There were none.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Minutes agreed, proposed Heidi Robbins, seconded by Elaine Gargett.

4. Matters Arising

There were none.

5. Correspondence

The chair to respond in the negative to a recent email from NALC regarding the Policy Consultation on allowing members of the public to record or video Parish Council meetings as this was felt to be inappropriate and unnecessary.

Elaine Gargett to draft a letter in support of the opposition to the proposed Barnby Moor quarrying, in view of the increased HGV traffic that would ensue and the destruction of agricultural land.

6. District Councillor's Report

District Councillor Barry Bowles was in attendance, he did not have a report as there was nothing to report to directly affect Scrooby.

7. Finance Report

The Treasurer Tony Smith handed out his report, five invoices to a total of £361.80 had been authorised. The report was accepted by the PC.

8. Police Report

Nothing to report.

9. Planning & Village Plan

A letter had been received from Notts County Council confirming the granting of the variation of the conditions of the Lodge Farm Fisheries application.

PC had raised no objection to the application for an extension to "Shields", Chapel Lane.

10. Play Area

Quotes are still anticipated for replacement of the worn out play equipment, costs of this may be reduced by the Parish Council doing the removal work prior to the new equipment being installed.

11. Village Hall

The repaired table is to be brought back this week. New curtains are to be made for the Village Hall windows, funded from the Parish Council and Show Funds.

12. Village Environment & Railway Crossing

Ed Marshall summarised the discussions that had taken place with the Network Rail representatives at the Parish Councillor's meeting on 30 June and the public consultation event in the Village Hall on 4 & 5 July 2014. The current proposals for consideration regarding Scrooby are:

1. Thompson's farm crossing will be closed and an alternative diversion route via Mattersey Road will be constructed.
2. The farm crossing and the footpath crossing in Station Road will be closed.
3. A new bridle path will be created on the West side of the railway line from Station Road to the existing School Lane bridleway crossing.
4. The foot crossing for the bridleway at School Lane will be replaced either by a bridge or a tunnel, both accessible for pedestrians, bicycles and horses.

Parishioners with any view or comment on these proposals should complete the questionnaire provided by Network Rail as soon as possible. Copies can be obtained from Councillors or from Network Rail (www.networkrail.co.uk/ecmllevelcrossings). A second Public Consultation will take place during October or November when the proposals will be finalised.

Tony Smith requested that the bridlepath down to the School Lane crossing which is now very overgrown and should be cut back.

Matt Pollard mentioned that once again, Mill Lane is becoming overgrown, Mark Firth to speak to the Lengthsman to arrange the work to be done.

Ed Marshall had made enquiries about bins for dog waste. He was informed that the Parish Council could have two more litter bins that would be the responsibility of Bassetlaw Council to empty. Mark Firth asked if the village could have more signs reminding owners to pick up after their dogs, the Clerk to make enquiries about this.

Mark Firth enquired whether the tree sculpture is now finished, more work is planned for the sculpture.

13. Pilgrim Fathers Origins Society

Nothing to report.

14. Any Other Business

Elaine Gargett raised that the new street light outside her house is 6 metres tall, higher than her house. Despite her enquiries and objections, she had received an email stating the case was closed. Ed Marshall suggested she contact Sheila Place, District Councillor, to request that it is replaced with a lamp more suitable for a conservation area, and to inform Oliver Scott, Conservation Officer for BDC.

There has been no response to the complaint made to Network Rail about there being no locks on the railway footpath crossing gates, either at Station Road or School Lane. Ed Marshall to speak to them again.

Matt Pollard mentioned that the phone box in the village is needing a coat of paint, it was agreed that he would obtain the red paint used for phone boxes and do the work.

Meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Next meeting Monday 8 September 2014, 7.30 pm, Scrooby Village Hall