

MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 12 November 2018

SCROOBY VILLAGE HALL

1. Present

Chair Heidi Robbins, Christine Bailey, Elaine Gargett, Phil Walton, Stephen Lincoln, Matt Pollard, Tony Smith (Clerk & Treasurer), District Cllr Barry Bowles (Part), County Cllr Tracey Taylor (Part). And 1 member of the Public was present.

2. Apologies

Ed Marshall.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The Minutes were accepted. Proposed by Stephen Lincoln, Seconded by Phil Walton.

4. Matters Arising

Are covered below, else.

- 4.1 Ceri Smith, a member of the village has expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council and attended the meeting. She was welcomed and arrangements would be made to capture her interest as soon as possible. **ACTION: ED** Marshall to formalise Ceri's engagement.

5. Correspondence

A significant number of notices, e-mails and letters had been received over the last month and were listed before the meeting. Those of note or action were:

The Scouts – Retford area Xmas Post Scheme

The future of the Bassetlaw District Council Parish Forum

Various Remembrance Day Events

NHS Campaign re. Over the Counter medication prescribing

Mail from a Parishioner re. Speeding vehicles, absence of Remembrance Day Poppies and Scrooby Road signs was received and responded to by the Chair and Clerk.

6. District and County Councillor's Report

County Councillor, Tracey Taylor. Shale Gas Exploration – Notts CC response to Govt paper is, Does not agree on NSIP or that it should be covered by the Permitted Development Scheme, but should be dealt with individually on a formal Planning basis. Notts CC Re-Org – Policy Response to council on 14th November, Held consultation events, papers are available to identify the 5 options being discussed. But it all will require a full Public Consultation.

Hanson's Quarry – resubmitted on a smaller site (see 9. Planning)

Speed Sign, to the North of the village – Scheduled for the next 2-3 months

Traffic on Mill Lane – Spoke to Traffic Management who asked what were our specific concerns. Replied by Heidi R that it was difficult, whilst we do not want to disturb the nature around Mill Lane, we do want others to be use it responsibly. Agreed Notts CC could assist the local landowners to maintain the hedges. **Action: Tony** Smith to put in a reminder in the STAR minutes.

District Councillor, Barry Bowles. Response to his question about Planning Enforcement was no money, no staff, can only do what they can. **ACTION: BARRY** Bowles to send the Clerk the full response. Pilgrim Fathers, noted that Sue Allen had been a Finalist in the Nottinghamshire Tour Guide of the Year competition.

7. Finance Report

The Treasurer presented his report, which included repetitive payments as well the Village Hall Lottery Licence. The report was approved. Full details of the report can be viewed at www.scrooby.net.

Other matters:

- Transparency Funds – The PC Laptop and A3 printer are delivered but the PC has yet to be configured for use. The cost is within the Grant of £510 ex-VAT. It was agreed that use of the Printer for private work would be charged at 11p per sheet to cover the ink costs.
- Data Protection Act (GDPR) changes for May 2018 – Analysis by the Clerk, ongoing.
- Governance section of the Internal Audit Report. Items 3 & 14 were reported upon before the meeting, discussed and agreed as Continue to perform enhanced Income and Expenditure accounting with separate listing of Assets and Liabilities. **ACTION:** Clerk to amend Standing Orders to reflect them.
- Village Hall:
 - The Electricity contract completes on 31st December. The new prices were a significant increase. A new supplier has been identified at a 24% pa (£66 pa) increase, agreed with the Village Hall management and confirmed by the Parish Council. **ACTION: Tony** Smith to enable.
 - Have we up to date Risk Assessments on the trees on the Croft? **ACTION: Tony** Smith to check that is our responsibility with Ilchester Estates and/or does the Insurance Policy cover it as well.

8. Police Report

The local PSCO Lucy Campion was invited as usual but sent her apologies.
No known crimes and an apparent reduction in Neighbourhood Watch Alerts.

9. Planning & Neighbourhood Plan

1. The Scrooby Neighbourhood Action Plan (SNAP) continues to progress. Report writing continues with the Character Report expected soon. “Call to Land” phase - The Parish wide consultation on Weds, 31st October presented the public bodies findings and asked parishioner views. It was very well attended and more email responses had arrived. All these are being built into a report for the Steering Group to discuss and agree in December before publication. Then with that and the Character Report to hand a 1st Draft SNAP Plan can be started.
2. Planning Requests – New application, Overhanging tress, Old Vicarage, Church Lane. No Objections. Westgate House building has commenced. Alpha House – Retrospective Planning Application 18/00502/HSE, has been Refused. Options now are: take it down, appeal to the Ministry, or ignore it and wait for enforcement. Council monitors the situation.
3. Notts CC new Minerals Local Draft Plan, next step Spring 2019 .
4. Hanson Quarry, Barnby Moor application – The original application has been withdrawn and a new application made, starting the whole process off again. This still continues to draw heavy objection by Barnby Moor residents, who thought the roadworks outside of the Scrooby Top quarry were in readiness for the start of quarrying. They are wrong, the Clerk responded that those works were scheduled some 12 months ago as part of the usual Highways maintenance plan.
5. Tinker Lane Fracking Bore Hole site – Various updates from the CLG group. Noted that the issue of the water tanker was “mis-information” and that it was filling up, not emptying and the spillage came from the hose as it was disconnected. A written report and pictures was received from the Scrooby CLG representative, Derick Evans.
6. Harworth Incinerator Application – Objections continue, including a piece on local TV.

10. Play Area

The swing shackles attention needed – being followed up.

11. Village Hall

Village Hall Extension Toilet Plans – Next phase of Architect fees are to be paid. Identifying funding continues.

Ed Marshall reported the first phase of Arts Council funding to be an Applicant had been completed. This will enable the start of a formal funding request.

Village Hall Cleaner – was advertised in the STAR.

12. Village Environment

- Chris Thompson and future Rights of Way around Scrooby. Heidi said meeting on the preferred pathway was scheduled for Wednesday. Rick Brand has offered his services re. Network Rail assistance.
- Salt Bags for the winter – Clerk reminded by a question that he had ordered 5 free 25kg bags. To be distributed around the village when they arrive. Target distribution: The Old Vicarage, Church Lane, Elaine on Dog Lane, Ceri on Low Road. **ACTION: Tony** Smith to put a reminder in the STAR minutes notes paragraph.
- Grass Cutting and Leaves – Grass cutting continues with a request to pay by FPO not cheque next year. Agreed the Grounds Maintenance company to be asked to perform an extra duty in the next 2 weeks to pick up the leaves on Low Road outside the Church Gates. Also agreed to increase the budget next year to include one extra session for leaf removal around the village centre.
- Hedges – following a complaint from a parishioner and understanding the hedge on the Church side of Church Lane will be dealt with in the next months by the Church, it was agreed to ask the Notts CC Inspector to visit the village and identify hedges that could / are causing problems. **ACTION: Tony** Smith to contact Notts CC
- Fireworks (You love ‘em or Hate ‘em) – A parishioner had complained about fireworks being used outside of the Bonfire Night. This was discussed and the legal / criminal position repeated, reminding members that the Croft is a public space and therefore Fireworks cannot be set off from there. However, it was agreed that the Parish Council could / should not “police” the matter themselves. Agreed that the Clerk to put in a gentle reminder to the Minutes and the STAR copy, thanking those parishioners who abided by the rules and reminding other of the dates, times and places where fireworks are allowed, particularly with Xmas and the New Year approaching. **ACTION: Tony** Smith, Clerk. And also to include such statements in the Village Hall hire rules.
- Community Payback Scheme to enable persons under Community Service Orders to assist the village. **ACTION: Clerk** to investigate further before proceeding.
- Highways Related Future Projects scheme 2019_20 – Bid entered to Tracey Taylor for resurfacing of Church Lane. **ACTION: Tony** Smith to follow up with Tracey T.

13. Pilgrim Fathers Visitors Centre and Mayflower 400

The Illuminate Festival has been set for Scrooby this year, on 22nd November, posters are in the Village.

Notts CC Local Improvement Scheme 2019-20, was now open for bids. It was initially thought this was a source for replacement “Scrooby” signs at both ends of the village, but could also include street signage updates, uniform lighting, and / or a speed sign at the south end of the Great North Road. **AGREED:** That the Parish Council would consider target designs and decide what we want out of the bid in the December PC meeting. **ACTION: ALL** Councillors. Also **ACTION: Tony** Smith to identify the rules of the bid and the processing deadlines.

14. Any Other Business

None

All minutes from Scrooby Parish Council meetings are always published at www.scrooby.net, after acceptance by the Parish Council

Meeting ended 9:02 pm.

Next meeting to be held on Monday 10 December 2018, 7.30 pm, Scrooby Village Hall.