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# **Wheldrake Parish Council**

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# Minutes of Wheldrake Parish Council Meeting held at 7pm in the Village Hall on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Part 1:

**18323:** Welcome:

The Chair welcomed all Cllrs, Clerk and public to the meeting

**18324:** Apologies/Attendance:

a. Attendees:

Cllrs Surtees, Southern, Gilks, Buckle, Bell, Urwin, Ward, Cranfield, Myers, Marsh plus the Clerk and seven members of the public.

b. Apologies:

The Council received and accepted apologies from Cllr Nelson

c. Attendance Book:

This was passed around and signed in accordance with Parish Council guidelines

18325: Interests:

The Chair reminded members to make any declarations of interest in any agenda item(s).

**18326:** Minutes:

a. All members accepted the minutes from the previous meeting held on Wednesday 31st July 2019.

**b.** Approval was granted and the Vice Chairman signed the minutes as a true record.

**18327:** Council:

The council received no comments on agenda items.

18328: Correspondence received (details sent to each Cllr ahead of the meeting):

None

**18329:** Reports:

# a. Ward Councillor

No report. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact the Ward Cllr to see if he has any updates for the Parish Council.

# b. Police

18th July – criminal damage. Field at Low Well Farm damaged, evidence of someone rolling in the crops and litter left behind. Presumed to be children but no one saw anything and no CCTV. 19<sup>th</sup> July – violence. Neighbours on Main Street having an argument about loud music from a few weeks ago. Incident logged due to it being an ongoing issue.

3<sup>rd</sup> August – anti social behaviour. Police were called to an ongoing dispute between neighbours in The Ruddings. Advice was given to both parties.

29<sup>th</sup> August – drug offence. Drug equipment and cannabis found in house in Broad Highway, suspect arrested.

# c. Other (to include Clerks report)

The Clerk reported that CYC have responded regarding the warning signs for horses. Unfortunately, they have said that it is not possible for them to erect signs as they normally only do this when there is a riding stable and multiple horses and riders expected. It was resolved that the Clerk will contact CYC again to ask if it is possible for the PC to purchase signs.

It was resolved to move the dog waste bins in the village to more prominent locations. The CYC have asked us to provide suitable locations to them and they will arrange to move the bins. One location being looked into at the moment is Wheldrake Woods car park.

Following guidelines received regarding the defibrillators in the village, a maintenance rota will be drawn up to ensure all are in full working order with the correct supplies.

# 18330: Planning:

a. 19/01563FUL Ingle Cottage, 5 Main Street, Wheldrake. Single storey rear extension to link to existing detached garage, convert and enlarge garage to habitable area. No objections 19/01564/LBC Ingle Cottage, 5 Main Street, Wheldrake. Internal and external alterations including erection of single storey rear extension to link to existing detached garage, convert and enlarge garage to habitable area. No objections

19/00963/FUL North Back House, 3B Main Street, Wheldrake. Two storey and single storey rear extensions (re-submission of 18/02401/FUL). **No objections – preferable to previous application** 19/01838/TCA 1 Forge Close, Wheldrake. Prune tulip tree in conservation area. **No objections** 19/01857/TCA York House, 14A Main Street, Wheldrake. Fell 2 conifer trees, prune silver birch, deadwood rowan in a conservation area. **No objections** 

19/00619/FUL 93 Back Lane South, Wheldrake. Erection of detached garage and workshop. **No objections** 

19/01805/FUL 39 North Lane, Wheldrake. Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory and canopy to front. **No objections** 

19/0078/OUTM North Selby Mine, New Road Deighton. No objections, however questions were raised with regards to consideration needed to the increase in use of the bridleway route to Wheldrake and whether any improvements would be necessary, along with steps to protect the wildlife habitat.

19/02002/TCA 5 Innisfree Glade, Church Lane, Wheldrake. Crown reduce 1 field maple and 1 sycamore in a conservation area. **No objections** 

19/01990/TCA The Brambles, 14 North Lane, Wheldrake. Fell silver birch, reduce eucalyptus and 3 trees in a conservation area. **No objections** 

# b. Decisions:

19/01054/FUL 41 Church Lane, Wheldrake. Single storey rear extension (part retrospect). **Approved** 19/01172/FUL Chestnut House, 8A Church Lane, Wheldrake. Conversion of garage to habitable room with associated external alterations. **Approved** 

19/00643/FUL Station Farm, 14 Main Street, Wheldrake. Alterations to existing garage building including creation of new openings and part conversion into study and workshop, new 2m high brick side boundary wall, alterations to create 3 external car park spaces and 2 rooflights to rear of main house. **Approved** 

# c. Consultations/Other:

None

#### **18331:** Finance:

The current balance is £37,631.08. Prior to tonight's meeting, I have not been sent an up to date bank statement. The RFO is in the process of updating the accounts spreadsheet to include relevant information as detailed in the Cllr training that took place in August.

Under the section 137 rule, Wheldrake electors (1610) make a total of £13,073 to spend. A detailed account of monies left for the rest of the year will be given next meeting.

External Audit Report for 2018/19 has been received.

# a. Payments to be made under delegated powers:

None

# b. Payments to be made:

Toby Johnson	£1881.00
Autela	£47.08
HMRC	£288.00
YLCA – Cllr training	£360.00
British Legion	£17.00
Toby Johnson	£834.00
PKF Littlejohn	£240.00

# c. Receipts:

Second instalment of precept - £20,000.00

#### d. Other:

Clerk's salary at rate already confirmed, plus any receipted expenses.

# 18332: Reports from Committees and Working Groups:

Village Maintenance and Playpark working group – the under 5's area of the playpark requires an update/repair. Possible options are to be looked into and decided amongst the PC how best to fund. The Council had a successful litter pick, with more dates for the rest of the year planned.

**Communications working group** – to better engage with the village community, and to provide an opportunity to meet the Councillors, it was resolved to hold an event at the Village Hall on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November between 10am and midday. All are welcome to attend with suggestions for the Parish Council. Parish Council NEWS has now been delivered to most, if not all households in the village.

# **18333:** Communication Policy:

Councillors to discuss and approve the proposed Communications Police.

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

#### **18334:** Litter:

Nature reserve is experiencing high volume of litter. It was proposed if the PC could consider placing a bin in this location? There has been an increase in people visiting the area and there is nowhere to place litter appropriately. Askham Bryan, Bishop Burton and York University are all in regular attendance.

It was resolved to contact CYC in the first instance to see if they could provide a bin. Depending on the outcome, the PC will maybe look into possibly move an existing bin to this location.

# 18335: Councillor email addresses:

Due to online privacy and the need for secure email addresses, it was discussed and resolved for all Cllrs to have a .gov address. This will be set up as soon as possible. Costs of approximately £25 per address per year was also agreed.

# 11836: Sandholes Wood:

The PC are looking into various options on how this area can be best managed. The Warden of Sandholes Wood was invited to speak with the PC where he gave a brief history of the woods. The woods have been developed into a haven for wildlife.

A CIIr has discussed the topic with various villagers; most people he has spoken to have said they would prefer for it to be left alone and to nature.

It was resolved the council will look further into this area and possible options including contacting Natural England along with Cllrs having a site visit. It was also resolved to look into possible grants available.

# 18337: Village planters update:

It was resolved for the Parish Council to commission 11 planters to be placed in prominent locations.

#### 18338: Village benches update:

All benches in the village have now been either painted and/or refurbished.

# **18339:** Picnic benches:

During the litter pick, the Cllrs noticed that there was some space in Braythegate where some picnic benches could be placed. It was resolved the Clerk would look into possible finances available for this to take place. All Cllrs were in favour.

# 18340: Leaf blower:

It was highlighted during the litter pick to purchase a leaf blower and whether it would be beneficial to purchase one. It was resolved that instead of spending PC money, a Cllr would purchase one and use it himself for the PC.

#### **18341:** Remembrance Day:

It was resolved for all Cllrs to attend the Remembrance Service at the church on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Following the morning service, the PC will lay a wreath on the memorial stone.

# 18342: Village Christmas Tree:

The lengthsman has kindly offered to donate two trees. The locations for these will be the usual place near North Lane and the other will be situated between Low Well Park and Back Lane South.

# 18343: Items for next agenda:

- Playpark options
- Defibrillator at the industrial estate
- Communication Policy

# **Closure of Part 1**

Part 2:

**18344:** Confidential business:

Nothing discussed.

Closure of Part 2

Meeting closed at 9.20pm