**Monday 5th March 2018**

Present: Councillors A McCormack (in the Chair), B Taylor, F Wilson, J. Potts, L Clerk, A Granville-Fall, L Curtin, C Dixon, R Scrowston

Clerk: Mrs S A Johns

The Parish Council met at the Community Hall, Wetwang. The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Public Forum** | There were no members of the public attending the meeting. |
| **Police** | A newsletter had been received and circulated |
| **29/18** | **Notice of meeting** – it was confirmed notice had been given in accordance with Schedule 12, Paragraph 10 of the Local Government Act 1972. |
| **30/18** | **Apologies** – Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Gail Humphries |
| **31/18** | **Declarations of interest** – No declarations of interest were declared |
| **32/18** | **Correspondence** |
| **33/18** | **Matters Arising**  There were no matters arising |
| **34/18** | **Approval of Minutes** – Resolved. That the minutes of the Parish Council minutes held on Monday 5th February 2018 were approved as a true and accurate record.  Proposer: Councillor Granville-Fall  Seconded: Councillor Clerk |
| **35/18** | **Reports from Committees and Representatives**  Village Hall – 19 people attended the Village Show Committee meeting including 5 new member of the community. 15 agreed to be on the committee. 3 secretaries were appointed. The show will be on 28/7/18.  Wetwang Primary School – The Archbishop of York was due to attend on the previous Friday but was unable due to the weather. |
| **36/18** | **Planning Applications**   1. 18/00269/PAD | Installation of replacement illuminated fascia sign, menu board and pole sign | Harpers Traditional Fish Shop Main Street Wetwang East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 9XJ – no objection was raised 2. Smart meter mast at BT Exchange, Station Hill – Prior consultation document to be considered from Arqivia – no objections at this time 3. Southfield Road update – this was due to go before planning on 27/2/18 but has put back to 20/3/18. The council is a consultee on this application 4. Planter in honour of Pat Bradley update – ERYC permissions are in place and the Parish Council have accept the usual indemnity. The Surgery have raised the principle donation and the council will support this with a donation of £360 including VAT. |
| **37/18** | **Parish Council Facilities:**   1. Allotments – The field behind the burial ground is being vacated and notice has been given for 31/3/18. Councillor McCormack has emailed the Diocese about future use if the land. To be carried forward to the next meeting 2. Pit Area – Railings around the pit are said to need repair. Councillor McCormack will investigate whether it is ERYC responsibility or WPC. 3. Cemetery –Contractors have repaired road with porous tarmac and a lip of the curb and flooding is no longer an issue. The invoice has been paid. The Chair has purchased and planted additional beech hedging to complete this area. Councillor Scrowston commented on how nice this area now looked 4. Play Area – Councillor McCormack has contacted Sledmere Estates to discuss the lease renewal but if no response is received to the council’s proposal it was agreed to pay them up to £300+vat on the due date in April. 5. Bus Shelter – No issues. 6. Village Pond –Councillor Dixon and a colleague, who are ecologists, will undertake an assessment of the pond once weather permits. Pollution from the road is a problem. It was reported that the fencing near the bus stop is in need of repair and Councillor McCormack will ask a local builder to complete the repair. |
| **38/18** | **Finance**   1. Resolved. The payment schedule was approved.   Proposed: Councillor Wilson  Seconded: Councillor Dixon |
| **39/18** | **Maintenance of the Village** –   1. York Road Pavement cuttings – ERYC have noted this and the enforcement officer will contact the owners to request that the cuttings are removed. 2. Street Lights – Four lights are noted as out on Main Street. The clerk who has spoken to the council has reported this. Lights have been assessed and need new lanterns. A poster has been produced with details of how to report street light failures and is on display in the notice board. 3. Bollards – all the bollards were replaced last month but another has been damaged and reported to ERYC Highways 4. Planters – These are intended to be place at village entrances. Councillor McCormack is to request preliminary planning permission from ERYC Highways. It is hoped that it design and budget can be agreed at next meeting and completed during May 2018. 5. Planting Verges – Councillor Scrowston suggested planting across the grass verges in Wetwang with various bulbs to display in the spring and this was universally agreed. It was suggested school could get involved if safe to do so. The Parish council agreed to provide a budget for bulbs to be planted in Autumn 2018. 6. Dog Fouling – A response from ERYC has been circulated. The Parish Council can utilise postcards, newsletters, lamp post stickers. A report was given of an incident following a member of the village complaining about dog mess on social media. It was agreed the council would actively forward issues relating to this problem, particularly if individuals were reluctant to do so. 7. Newsletter - It was agreed that the village would benefit from the publication of a periodic newsletter from the Parish Council . The first edition would cover items such as dog fouling, the pond development, bulb planting , planter ownership, street lighting and council contacts. 8. Cold Calling Zone -ERYC have confirmed that Wetwang was now completely a no cold calling zone. New signs are to be displayed. 9. It was reported that Green Lane was becoming a quagmire with inappropriate use. Councillor McCormack is to attend a conference in the next month and will ask about implications the Countryside rights of way act and enforcement. |
| **40/18** | **Agenda for the next meeting**  Newsletter |
| **42/18** | **Date of the next meeting** –The next ordinary meeting of Wetwang Parish Council will take place on Monday 9th APRIL 2018 at 7.30pm. |

The meeting closed at 9.03pm.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Signed:** | **Date:** |