

REETH FREMINGTON & HEALAUGH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, REETH on Monday 26th February 2024 at 7.00 pm

Present: Councillor M Bearpark (Chairman), Councillor B. Rutter (Vice-Chair), Councillor G. Frankland, Councillor C. Longstaff, Councillor P Terry, Councillor K Longden and L. Bridge (Clerk).

1. To receive apologise for absence

1.1. Councillor Dawson

2. To approve the reasons for absence.

Councillor Dawson did not give an explanation. Councillor Peacock was unable to attend due to attending another meeting.

3. Declarations of interest.

Councillor Longstaff declared an interest in Item 8.5 and 8.7.1

4. To confirm the Minutes of the previous Meeting

4.1. The Minutes of the last Meeting held on 22nd January 2024, having been circulated by email, were approved as a true and accurate record, proposed by Councillor Terry and seconded by Councillor Longstaff, and signed by the Chairman.

5. Public Session.

No one attended.

6. North Yorkshire Police

6.1. No members of the police attended, due to prior engagement. There were no issues submitted for the clerk to pass on.

7. Aspirations of Expenditure for 202/24:

7.1. Councillor Terry proposed that Arkle Beck had a mound of stones which were building up in the centre of the river and on one side which was obstructing the flow. So, with the remaining flood budget could we organise a digger to go into the river and rearrange the stones to a more even layout, which would also protect the other side of the bank which is being eroded. Three names were given of people to ask for quotes, Nathan Stones, John Ellerton and Michael Atkinson. Seconded by Councillor Terry.

7.2. There were no further suggestions.

8. To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide on further action where necessary:

8.1. Playground

8.1.1. It was noted that the quotes remain outstanding, but the clerk was chasing this.

8.2. Memorial Benches.

8.2.1. It was noted there was nothing to report.

8.3. The Green

8.3.1. It was noted that Councillor Rutter had contacted the former clerk, Margaret Porter. She suggested that it was accepted as parish land but may have been missed when lots of little patches of land were submitted for registration. The clerk will investigate how to register this piece of land as parish green.

8.3.2. The Councillors considered the emails from Henry Gray regarding income from the green and how it is spent. They approved the spreadsheets that the clerk had created and add further comments to the covering letter which will be sent to the land agent.

8.4. Green Agreements

8.4.1. It was noted that the Green Agreements have been sent out.

8.5. White lines on High Row and Parking spaces for Community Buses.

8.5.1. The quote from Stephen Longstaff was considered and due to the current finances, concern was expressed about spending such a large sum of money at this time. It was agreed to postpone this until they had built up the bank reserves to a healthier state.

8.6. Footpath No 44 by Yorkshire Dales National Park.

8.6.1. It was noted that the new route for Footpath 44 had been publicised for consultation.

8.7. Dog Bins

8.7.1. The councillors considered the cost of the general waste bin for Healaugh and it was proposed by Councillor Rutter and seconded by Councillor Terry to go ahead. All voted in agreement.

8.8. British Telecom change over to Digital Voice (removal of copper landlines and replacement with digital online Voice over Internet Protocol)

8.8.1. It was noted that the clerk had circulated a survey for residents of this and surrounding parishes regarding power cuts, mobile phone signal and their views on Digital Voice.

8.8.2. It was proposed by Councillor Rutter and seconded by Councillor Terry that this is sent to BT, The Department of Media, Culture and Sport, and our MP Rishi Sunak.

9. D Day 80th Anniversary

9.1. This item was considered but no suggestions put forward.

10. To consider and decide upon the following planning application.

10.1. The planning application for the 1 Half Moon Cottage R/07/83K/LB was considered and all voted to supported it.

11. To receive the following planning decisions/information

11.1. The decision to remove one pine tree at Manor House, Healaugh, was noted.

12. Matters requested by Councillors

None

13. Matters requested by the clerk

The Councillors considered the information request from the clerk and no one was able to provide any further information about this.

14. Financial Matters**14.1. To resolve to make the following payments***

Person	Purpose	Amount
L. Bridge	Salary February	£402.50
Memorial Hall	Invoice for January meeting	£16.00
E-on Next	The final invoice, DD	£16.60
EDF	Electric Bill, DD	£4.05
EE	Mobile phone invoice, DD	£12.00
Smith of Derby	Clock Servicing invoice	£288.00

***Note** – Councillor Rutter proposed and Councillor Terry seconded the payments, and all voted to approve.

To note the following receipts

Market	December and January	£198.00
Honesty Box	December and January	£457.00

Bank Account Balance as of 20th February 2024 **£12,036.19**

15. Market Report and Honesty Boxes

15.1. Councillor Frankland reported that he had collected and banked £536.00, £22.53 of which was money collected from the Healaugh Box.

15.2. No report from Councillor Bearpark about the Market as monies not collect until Good Friday.

15.2.1. The Councillors considered a review of the Market rates and it was proposed by Councillor Longstaff that from Good Friday 2024 the rate be increased to £2.50 per stall. This was seconded by Councillor Terry and all voted their approval.

16. Highways

16.1. It was noted that the A6108 (in error on the Minutes, B6108) was closed for tree maintenance, from 19th February to the 23rd February.

- 16.2.** It was noted that the pot holes on Back Lane had been reported to Highways via the Parish Portal by the Clerk.

17. Streetlights

- 17.1.** It was noted that streetlight 68 near Harker's garage had been reported.
- 17.2.** It was also noted that Overton Garth had installed their solar lights and the rest of the grant money set aside would be passed on to cover installation expenses.

18. Correspondence

- 18.1.** The Urban Highways Grass Cutting was considered and all Councillors voted to approve.
- 18.2.** The Rotary Clubs invitation to partake in Best Kept Richmondshire Village was considered and all Councillors voted for the parish to enter it.
- 18.3.** It was considered whether to apply for a free portrait of King Charles, and all the Councillors decided that if the Memorial Hall wanted one then we should apply.
- 18.4.** YLCA's and NALC's emails about training and other matters, were noted.
- 18.5.** The Dales Police Report for January 2024 was noted.
- 18.6.** The playground inspection reports for were noted.
- 18.7.** The funding package from the Dept of Culture, Media and Sport was noted.
- 18.8.** The Land Manager and Farmer events which had been set up by the Yorkshire Dales National Park, were noted.
- 18.9.** The Entertainments license application for the field next to Grinton Bridge was noted.
- 18.10.** It was noted that Garden Waste Licenses for 2024 could be applied for.
- 18.11.** It was noted that there are still problems with the roof of The Kings Head but planning is aware and in communication with the contractor.
- 18.12.** The initiative from North Yorkshire Council called The One Thing regarding Health and Wellbeing were noted.

19. North Yorkshire Council Report

Councillor Peacock was unable to attend the meeting but sent the following message.

I am interested in BT Digital as I had hoped to have an Agenda item on The Area Constituency Committee Richmond on 18 March but the whole of North Yorkshire Council is having a seminar for councillors on April so I am hoping to have a follow up at the June meeting.

20. Future Meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 25th March in the Memorial Hall at 7 pm.

Meeting finished at 20.30 pm.