MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

**IN THE COMMUNITY 4 March 2019**

**PRESENT: Chairman** J. Metcalfe Cllr. G. Gaunt

Cllr. D. McGonnigal Cllr. S. Brash

Cllr. C. Lis OBE Cllr. J. McKenzie

Cllr. J. Emsley Cllr. A. Weller

**In attendance:** Alison Hack, 2 Thornton Parish Councillors, 2 police officers

**This meeting was recorded under file PCTapesMar19**

1. **Apologies:** Cllr. M Howson
2. **To Note any Declarations of Interest** and to record, consider and grant members’ requests for Disclosable Pecuniary Interest dispensations (Section 31 Localism Act 2011) in connection with items on this Agenda.

Cllr. Lis declared an interest in any matters relating to the Community Centre staff.

1. **To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 4 February and review matters arising** The Minutes were proposed by Cllr. Emsley seconded by Cllr. Brash and approved by the meeting as a true record.
2. **Market Meeting –** Cllr. Gaunt reported on a recent meeting by a group hoping to reconstitute Ingleton market, they had lots of ideas and energy and were considering holding future markets on Saturdays. They were aware of the connotations for local businesses and would be involving them in the consultation process. There had been concerns voiced by a local trader. It was agreed this issue should be placed on the Agenda for future meetings.
3. **A65 Speed Restriction Proposal** – Cllr. Weller reported on a near miss incident recently involving a school bus and a motorist. The Clerk confirmed that the letter to Highways urging reconsideration of the 30mph speed limit had been sent.
4. **REPORTS**

**Police** – The Chairman welcomed the two police officers and spoke about recent efforts by Ingleton and Thornton Parish Council’s efforts to draw attention to the issue of rural policing. Sgt. P. Evans spoke about the forthcoming changes in staffing structure which should be of benefit to the Ingleton area. A sergeant’s position that had been vacant since last year was due to be filled shortly, and there had been changes in senior ranks. The officer reported on several schemes aimed at targeting rural crime. This included the Rural Watch team which coordinated volunteers with police officers to optimise reporting of suspicious and criminal activity in the area. For anti social behaviour they are looking at early intervention, he understood the difficulties experienced with the 101 telephone number, but now incidents would be able to be reported online, which he believed would be a great improvement. Cllr. Savage from Thornton Parish Council gave a couple of examples of incidents being reported to the police via the 101 telephone number but no action was taken at the time. Sgt. Evans acknowledged the problems of police availability and explained some of the procedure of response and follow up to reports. PC McLurg took a note of one of Cllr. Savage reports to investigate why it was not followed up.

The matter of road safety on the A65 was then discussed, and PC McLurg confirmed that a camera safety van was to be installed near the Trees junction. He also confirmed that some work was being done on this issue by the police. Cllr. Brash asked why the external telephone had been removed from the Ingleton police station but the police officers had no information on this matter.

1. **ADJOURNMENT for questions/items for attention raised by members of the public or Councillors.**
2. **Drains** – Cllr. McGonnigal reported that the drain near the Coop village store had been flooding.
3. **Winter Gritting** – The Clerk confirmed that the salt bin had been installed behind Burnmoor Crescent and been supplied with two bags of grit.
4. **Ingleton in Bloom Litter Pick** – Cllr. Gaunt informed members of a forthcoming litter pick event on 23 March in Ingleton and the support Craven District Council had given in providing bags and litter pick tools for the job. All volunteers welcome, except for children as this would present liability difficulties.
5. PLANNING

**2018/20006/FUL** Widening of existing access to swimming pool, formation of parking bay and turning space Adjacent to swimming pool for emergency services

**The members supported this application and requested that it be expedited as soon as possible.**

**7. PARISH COUNCIL MAINTENANCE MATTERS**

1. **Park/Toilets –** The Clerk reported that the signage for the play area had been checked by her and was in reasonable condition although the CCTV signage was somewhat faded. The pedestrian gate had been closed on both visits. She also reported that the treeworks behind the swimming pool may have been completed the previous Friday, but if they had not been done were due very shortly. Cllr. Weller commented on the excellent job of the dry stone walling that had been done to the Youth Hostel boundary.
2. **The Brow** – The Clerk commented on the issue of the cutting of grass each side of the footpaths on the Brow which had been discussed at previous meetings after the contractor declined to cut the whole Brow. It was agreed that this matter should again be put on the website and the Clerk will contact the contractor. Cllr. McGonnigal reported on sapling regrowth on the wall near the Bottom Club and it was suggested that he remove it.
3. **Highways**– Comments were made on the response from Highways regarding the repair of Jenkins Beck railings which due to budget difficulties were likely to take some time to be done. Cllr. Emsley queried about the proposal to purchase speed matrix signs and was advised that a new leasing programme was due to come out in April, when the proposal could be looked at again. It was also reported that remedial work had been done on Burnmoor Crescent.
4. **Street Lighting** – The Clerk reported that ENWL would be replacing the wooden pole on Tatterthorn Lane and would undertake the reconnection costs. A quotation had been requested from ENWL for the lights at Backgate opposite Low Demesne and on the Rake.
5. **Pump Track** –The Clerk reported that the dog fouling signs on the land adjacent to the Pump Track had been installed, and an additional two had been put on Red Ash Lane.
6. **Ingleton Community Centre** – The Clerk reported that NYCC had offered entry to a bulk buy scheme for water supply, similar to the energy schemes that were recently entered into. Discussion followed on the replacement of the map that had been removed from the outside wall of the Community Centre, a design for replacement had been produced by the IDTA which the IRCA had requested to be amended as they had felt it was not quite suitable. It was agreed that this issue should be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
7. **Cold Cotes/Chapel le Dale** – The Chairman had been approached by a resident regarding an infestation of Japanese Knotweed on common land at Cold Cotes, which he understood was the responsibility of the Parish Council. He will investigate the area concerned and report back.
8. **To receive information and where applicable decide further action on the undernoted ongoing issues**
   1. **Village Action Team –** The Chairman pointed out that the recent license agreement contained a clause which required the insertion of a telephone number for the Parish Council. Cllr. Lis will check on this requirement. Cllr. Emsley asked what the remaining balance of funds would be once the signage work was completed and Cllr. Lis confirmed there would be in the region of £40,000. It was agreed after discussion that ideas to utilise this balance should be discussed at the next meeting. An invitation would be sent to A. Laycock to attend the May meeting to discuss these ideas.
   2. **Allotments –** The Clerk confirmed that the revised layout plan had been received from the allotment association which she had forwarded on to the planning department at Craven District Council. The issue of the lease between the Parish Council and the Bull Land was discussed as it was due to end shortly and it was agreed to renew the lease for five years and inform the Ingleton Allotments Association.
   3. **B4RN –** Cllr. Lis confirmed that the school is now connected but it was reported there has been a slow down in investment with take up for the scheme being low in certain areas of the village. Cllr. McGonnigal commented that there had not been any publicity about the recent successes of the project.
9. **REPORTS FROM AND QUESTIONS TO DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

Cllr. Lis reported the District Council portion of council tax was to rise with Band D residences increasing by £5 to £172.21pa.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE – to action where appropriate**

**Emails**

7/2 YLCA Training

12/2 North yorkshire Branch Training Day

14/2 PCC Fear of Rural Crime Survey

18/2 Highways re Jenkins Beck

18/2 Local Resident re removal of tree

20/2 YLCA NALLC CEO Bulletin

21/2 Isavalife AGM MINUTES

22/2 CDC Street Furniture Licence

22/2 CDC on Publication Draft Local Plan

22/2 YLCA WHITE Rose Update

26/2 Craven Mental Health and Wellbeing LGBT Forum

26/2 CDC re Ward Grant

27/2 YLCA Planning Seminars

1/3 C. Craven Mealbank Quarry Nature Reserve

4/3   Craven VCS Network Event

4/3   PC A. McLurg Police Report

**Dropbox**

Petit Depart Event

Resolution Register

MP’s response on Policing

MP’S Surgeries

Craven District Council – Finger Posts Terms and Conditions

**a) Ward Grant** – Cllr. Lis confirmed that he had allocated this to the Settle rugby club.

**b) Mealbank Quarry Nature Reserve** – *The Chairman left the room and Vice Chairman Emsley assumed the Chair*. Cllr. Lis informed members on some of the background to this project and the difficulties that it presented. YDMT are looking into possible funding for this matter and it is fully supported by the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. It was agreed that members of the group involved in this proposal should be invited to the next meeting to state their case. *Cllr. Metcalfe rejoined the meeting and assumed the Chair.*

**11. REPORTS**

1. **Chairman** – The Chairman had recently attended meetings for the graziers and Ingleton Commoners and reported on plans for new signage on Ingleborough, including the removal of confusing signs relating to open access land. Cllr. Lis took a note.
2. **Footpaths Committee** – None
3. **Clerk** – **2019 Audit** – Accounts for the financial year would be prepared by the Clerk and she asked members to confirm the appointment of Yorkshire Internal Audit Services as internal auditor. This was proposed by Cllr. Metcalfe and seconded by Cllr. Emsley and agreed by the meeting.

**Clerk’s Printer** – the Clerk reported she had had to purchase a new printer and inks.

1. **Quarry Liaison Committee** – The Chairman reported that Quarry management had responded to recent complaints about excessive noise caused by their grinder by conducting noise monitoring inspections and the Chairman hoped that this would result in remedial action.
2. **Swimming Pool** – No report.

### 12. FINANCE –

**i) To authorise signing of orders of payment and online payments** - *Cllr. Lis left the meeting*. It was proposed by Cllr. Brash, seconded by Cllr. McKenzie and agreed to make the following payments:

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| 124 | tut | 197 | PHS Group | Sanitation hire | 53.12 |
| 125 | sls | dd | Eon | Street Light Supply | 419.58 |
| 126 | ac | dd | A. M. Hack | Clerk's Printer | 86.84 |
| 127 | ac | dd | A. M. Hack | Domain Renewal 5yrs | 59.94 |
| 128 | slm | dd | Howsons | Street Light Repairs | 1155.17 |
| 129 | tut | dd | Waterplus | Park WCs Supply | 250.01 |
| 130 | ab | dd | A. M. Hack | Telephone & Brdband | 42.49 |
| 131 | vs | 198 | Safetyshop | Dog Waste Signs | 87.42 |
| 132 | aa | dd | A. M. Hack | Clerk Salary | 687.85 |
| 133 | sun | dd | Craven District Co. | Licence Fee for Signs | 37.98 |
| 134 | tcl | dd | MHG Bdg Ctrs | Cleaning WCs | 1004.08 |

Community Centre

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| 156 | 700 | PHS | Sanitary Hire | 104.52 |
| 157 | 701 | M. Rogerson | Windows | 40.00 |
| 158 | 702 | Craven District | Dog Bags | 149.98 |
| 159 | 703 | YPO | Repairs etc. | 262.22 |
| 160 | 704 | T. J. Handley | PAT Test | 572.88 |
| 161 | dd | Vonage Ltd. | Telephone | 32.40 |
| 162 | 705 | Corona | Gas Supply | 754.32 |
| 163 | 706 | Waterplus | Supply | 254.67 |

Staff costs amounted to £2353.43

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 1 April 2019, 7.00pm at the Community Centre.