

# **GUNTHWAITE AND INGBIRCHWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14th DECEMBER 2022, 7.30 PM, FOUNTAIN VILLAGE PUB FUNCTION ROOM**

PRESENT; Councillors Edmondson, Berry, Ogden; A. Murphy (Clerk)

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE.

Resolved – Council approved the stated reasons for the absence of Councillors Karle and Guest.

2. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

Noted – no declarations made.

3. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26TH OCTOBER 2022.

Resolved – minutes confirmed as accurate and signed by Chairman.

4. TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON ANY ONGOING ISSUES.

4.1 CLERK HAS NOT HEARD ANYTHING FROM THE KIRKLEES COUNCIL HIGHWAYS TEAM ABOUT ANY TRAFFIC SURVEYS THEY HAVE DONE ON THE A629 THROUGH INGBIRCHWORTH VILLAGE EARLIER IN 2022.

Noted.

5. TO ADJOURN THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING TO RECEIVE COMMENT AND QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS.

Noted – no members of public present.

6. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING.

2022\_1021 CONVERSION OF BARN TO FORM 2NO. DWELLINGS AND ASSOCIATED WORK,  
INGBIRCHWORTH

Resolved – no comments made.

7. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO SPEEDING TRAFFIC ON THE A629 RAISED BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC AT AN EARLIER MEETING.

Noted – Clerk requested a traffic survey on the A629 in Ingbirchworth via the South Yorkshire Safety Cameras website. A response was received from them saying that one would be arranged, and the outcome communicated to the Clerk.

Clerk updated the member of public who has been in contact with the Council about the matter.

8. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY VENUE PROPOSAL FOLLOWING ON FROM THE SURVEY AND SUBSEQUENT PUBLIC MEETING IN 2021.

Noted – Councillor Berry noted that the Council had agreed previously to let the new path and petanque terrain construction finish before doing anything more about the community venue proposal.

Resolved – the community venue proposal is still an ongoing consideration for the Council, but further action such as getting external advice is postponed until the petanque terrains have been built.

9. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE NEWLY PLANTED PLATINUM JUBILEE FRUIT TREE ORCHARD IN THE RECREATION FIELD AND PROPOSALS FOR A NEW BENCH IN MEMORY OF THE LATE QUEEN ELIZABETH II.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson is looking into having a plaque made for the orchard. The planned new bench will commemorate the coronation of H M King Charles III on May 6th, instead of commemorating the late Queen Elizabeth II.

10. TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACES.

10.1 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE NEW ACCESSIBLE FOOTPATH TO THE PLAYING FIELD.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson has sent the end of project report to South Yorkshire Community Fund (Blackstone Edge) and the Clerk is completing a similar report for Penistone Ward Alliance, to fulfil the conditions of the two grant awards.

Resolved – Clerk to check the guarantee of the path surface from the contractor and get a quote from the Council's insurer for accidental damage.

10.2 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE INGBIRCHWORTH PETANQUE SOCIAL CLUB AND PLANNED TERRAIN BUILD.

Noted – petanque terrain build has been postponed to Spring 2023 as the plant and materials required are too heavy to cross the field in wet conditions.

10.3. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE VEHICLE ACCESS TRACK ON THE RECREATION FIELD FOLLOWING THE ADJACENT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson noted that the track has been left in a good condition by Conroy Brook with a new crushed hardcore surface.

Resolved – Clerk to write to Conroy Brook to thank them for completing this.

10.4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS ABOUT FINDING A HANDYPERSON FOR VILLAGE MAINTENANCE PREVIOUSLY DONE BY VOLUNTEERS.

Noted – Councillor Edmondson will put a request on the Community group Facebook page asking for recommendations for tradespeople to pick up some of the maintenance work of the Parish Council's street furniture.

11. TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THIS YEAR'S REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AND CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHT SWITCH-ON EVENTS.

Noted – Councillors noted that both the events were well attended and went well on the day.

Councillor Ogden asked that in future the gazebos be put up for the Christmas tree light switch on irrespective of weather as they provide useful shelter for the band and the refreshments.

Resolved – Clerk to write to the residents who kindly donated some mulled wine and mince pies on the night of the Christmas tree light switch-on expressing the Council's appreciation.

12.TO CONSIDER MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO BMBC HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY.

Noted – new bollards are in place on Wellthorne Lane beyond the road access to the new houses adjacent to the Fountain village pub.

Resolved – Clerk to contact BMBC about bags of rock salt for Ings Way and New Row Lane.

13.TO CONSIDER MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES.

Noted – Councillor Berry noted a deep pile of leaves on the path on the A629 making walking past difficult, Councillor Ogden usually emails BMBC about this as it happens every year.

14.TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER CRIME AND SAFETY MATTERS.

Noted – Councillor Berry noted that the Boxing Day drag hunt event planned at the Fountain pub could again lead to access issues for emergency vehicles, due to irresponsible parking by some members of the public. Brooke Leisure is trying to mitigate some of the impacts by (for example) putting out cones, which is welcome.

15.FINANCIAL MATTERS

15.1 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE NATIONALLY AGREED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAY AWARD (HOURLY PAY INCREASE) FOR THE CLERK, TO BE BACKDATED TO 1ST APRIL 2022.

Resolved – pay award noted and approved.

15.2 TO RECEIVE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND NOTE INCOME RECEIVED.

**Accounts for payment**

14.12	#701	Shepley Band (Local Government Act 1972, s.137)	Donation for playing at Christmas tree light switch on event on Dec 3rd	£35.00
14.12	#702	D Edmondson	Chairman's Allowance (Oct-Dec)	£13.00
14.12	#703	Clerk	Salary (Oct-Dec)	£725.00
14.12	#704	BL Lonestar Ltd	Hire of Fountain function room 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	£30.00
14.12	#705	D Edmondson	Re-imbusement - refreshments for Christmas tree light switch-on event Sat Dec 3 <sup>rd</sup>	£39.89

**Income received**

31.10	NatWest Bank	Interest	£2.61
30.11	NatWest Bank	Interest	£4.61

**Debit card account payments made by Clerk**

18.11	Royal Mail Documents to Land Registry	Signed-for postage	£2.85
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15.3 TO RECEIVE AND NOTE BANK RECONCILIATION REPORT TO OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>.

Resolved – report approved.

15.4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE BUDGET MONITOR REPORT TO 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER.

Noted.

15.4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER THE DRAFT BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR 2023.

Resolved – budget approved, precept figure to be agreed in January 2023.

15.5 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ACCOUNTS PAID BY DEBIT CARD BY THE CLERK, COUNCILLORS TO SIGN AND DATE THE PAYMENT CONFIRMATION SLIP TO CONFIRM NO DOUBLE PAYMENTS MADE.

Resolved – checked and signed by Councillors.

16. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED.

16.1 YLCA WHITE ROSE UPDATES/LAW AND GOVERNANCE BULLETINS (OCT/NOV)

16.2 BMBC MONITORING OFFICER ABOUT COUNCILLOR'S REGISTER OF INTEREST FORMS

16.3 BMBC ELECTORAL SERVICES ABOUT THE LATEST VERSION OF REGISTER OF ELECTORS IN THE PARISH.

16.4 BARNSELY MAYOR'S OFFICE WITH INVITATION FOR COUNCILLORS TO A CIVIC CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE IN DECEMBER.

16.5 BMBC/PENISTONE AREA TEAM – GRANTS FOR PROJECTS TO ADDRESS THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS BEING EXPERIENCED BY MANY HOUSEHOLDS.

16. MEETING DATES

17. TO CONFIRM THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING DATE AS WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2023.

Resolved – next meeting to be held on Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.