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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SPROTBOUGH & CUSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 6th OCTOBER 2022 AT THE GOLDSMITH CENTRE

Present: Cllrs: T. Nicholson, P. Haith, J. Rodgers, S. Swift, F. Calladine, L. Hogg, M. Greenhalgh, T. Rawlings, G. Bluff, L. Bluff, L. Chipp, A. Curtis, L.Hempshall.

In attendance: 2 members of the public.

4877. **TO A) RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE GIVEN IN ADVANCE OF TH MEETING AND B) TO CONSIDER APPROVAL IF REASONS GIVEN FOR ABSENCE (item 1)**

Cllr. C. Ransome (personal).

4878. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST (item 2)**

Cllr. L. Chipp declared an interest in item 14 of the agenda and Cllrs. P. Haith, L. Hempshall and T. Nicholson in item 8(a).

4879. **SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENTS DUE (item 3)**

Resolved: That items to be paid, as set out in the sums of £11,838.24 (August) and £17,667.20 (September), be received.

4880. **MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC (item 4)**

Concern was raised by residents regarding speeding issues around the Anchorage Lane/Sprotbrough Road area after a wall had been demolished by a speeding vehicle. It was pointed out that the Parish Council had no jurisdiction on these matters but would raise with them potential traffic calming measures

4881. **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 21.7.22 (item 5)**

Resolved: That the Minutes of the above meeting be confirmed as a true record subject to the following amendment:- Page 1, Heading delete 'Annual'.

Matters arising

Minute 4869 – Allotment

The house belonging to the previous allotment holder had been sold but until vacated the new applicant would not be able to take possession of the allotment

Minute 4869 – External notice board

The external notice board had been erected.

Minute 4872 – Goldsmith Centre

The fire doors had now been fitted. The quote from Victoria Carpets of £2,105 was agreed for stripping and coating the hall floor. The bid for the bicycle repair station had been submitted.

4882.

PLANNING MATTERS (item 6)

New applications

22/1799/FUL : 16 Riverside Drive, Sprotbrough

22/1860/FUL : 1 Tower Cottages, Nursery Lane, Sprotbrough

Resolved: That no observations be made in respect of the above applications.

22/1941/FUL : Land off Birch Close, Sprotbrough

This application was contrary to the Local Plan and comments had been submitted in line with the previous ones.

A further application was to be submitted for another 5G mast that would be coming in shortly at Boat Lane.

With regard to the housing allocation of 70 dwellings off Melton

Road/Cadeby Road consultants had been employed by the developers and a pre consultation exercise was taking place on broad plans for the site. Leaflets had been circulated locally regarding this. As this development had already been agreed in the Local Plan it would go ahead.

4883. **FINANCIAL MATTERS (item 7)**

Section 137 donations

A request for financial assistance towards activities and services had been received from the 17th Doncaster Brownies.

Resolved: That a Section 1137 donation of £500 be made.

Financial assistance towards programme resources and trips had been received from the 54th Doncaster Rainbows.

Resolved: That a Section 1137 donation of £500 be made.

A request for financial assistance had been made by the Friends of Barnsley Road playing field towards the creation of a Jubilee Garden.

With the exception of Cllr. Swift it was agreed that a Section 137 donation of £500 be made.

New Auditor

Following the resignation of the Councils current internal auditor the Finance Officer had contacted Clerks within Doncaster to find out who was doing their internal audits. She had subsequently contacted Faye Hazelhurst who was carrying out audits for some of the Parish Councils and who was listed on the Y.L.C.A. register of internal auditors. It was agreed that Faye Hazelhurst be appointed as the Parish Councils internal auditor.

4884. **RECREATION & GENERAL AMENITY MATTERS (item 8)**

Goldsmith Centre

General maintenance had carried out during the summer and the Halloween pantomime tickets had been quickly sold out.

Newlands Park

The annual copse clearance had been carried out. Problems were still being experienced with vandalism.

The annual ROSPA inspections had been carried out at all sites.

Applications for First Registration have been submitted to the Land Registry for Goldsmith Centre, Anchorage Park and Newlands Park.

Barnsley Road playing field

An e mail from the Clerk at Brodsworth Parish Council had been received requesting financial assistance towards the play area. In view of the fact that this was not an official request from the Parish Council a decision would not be made at this point in time. A new caretaker had been appointed for the centre.

4885. **CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL (item 9)**

The summer fayre had been a huge success and thanks were extended to Jade, the Clerk and centre staff for their efforts.

Arrangements were going well for the Xmas fayre. Members were made aware that the VAT element could not be reclaimed on monies charged for the event by the Parish Council unless it was classed as a charitable event. It was agreed that the money made be donated to Firefly charity who would be kept as the Parish Council's charity until the end of the year when another one would be agreed.

It was agreed that tickets go on sale at £5 for adults and £2.50 for children under 16. A £1 charge would be made for Santa's grotto.

A budget of £12,000 was be set.to be reviewed at the next meeting.

4886. **UPDATE FROM WARD MEMBERS (item 10)**

Cllr. G. Bluff reported that problems were still being experienced on

Ingleborough Drive due mainly to parking issued. The police had been involved. There had also been problems with noise on Ivanhoe Way

Cllr. Hempshall reported that Cusworth Hall had again been awarded green flag status but volunteers were still needed.

She had also been involved with the speed gun along the back Lane at Cusworth Park which, in her view, should be extended all along to 30 m.p.h. This had been conveyed to Doncaster Council Highways.

The funding for the trans pennine trail through the parish has been allocated elsewhere.

4887. **ACTION PLAN 2022/23 (item 11)**

Nothing significant and everything moving OK.

4888. **PARISH COUNCIL JOINT CHARTER (item 12)**

This was endorsed.

4889. **CIVILITY AND RESPECT PLEDGE (item 13)**

Following concerns regarding certain aspects of this document it was agreed not to pass acceptance.

4890. **MEETINGS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED (item 14)**

The Clerk gave a verbal report on a meeting of the Friends of Cusworth Park and a meeting to discuss 'community hot spots'. It was noted that there would be a coffee morning each Monday at the Goldsmith Centre from 10am – 2pm commencing Monday 31 October.

Cllr. G. Bluff gave a verbal report on the last meeting of the Don Gorge group.

It was also agreed that £500 be made available for the purchase of water butts through the winter months.

4991. **GOLDSMITH CENTRE TOILET REFURBISHMENT (item 15)**

The grant application was required to be submitted by the 7th December and it was noted that the Parish Council would be required to match fund the toilet refurbishment in the sum of £3,902.73 (10.5%) if successful. This was agreed.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

Signed Chair of Council

Date