

BISHOP MONKTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Bishop Monkton Parish Council held Tuesday 20th February 2024 in the Methodist Room, Bishop Monkton

Commenced: 19.01 hours
Concluded: 20.59 hours
Attending: Cllrs Verrill (Chairman) Parsons (Vice Chairman), Garnett, Culshaw, Shand.
Also Present: Cllr N Brown, S Reid (Proper Officer), 4 members of the Public, 2 representatives from Harmony Energy.

- 2024/015 Introduction from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting.**
The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- 2024/016 To receive any apologies.**
There were no apologies.
- 2024/017 To consider the apologies and decide whether to approve reasons for absence.**
There were no apologies.
- 2024/018 Declaration of Interests**
- a) To receive any declarations of interest.
There were no declarations of interest received.
- b) To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation
There were 0 applications for dispensation received.
- 2024/019 To approve the minutes of the Bishop Monkton Parish Council Ordinary Meeting held Tuesday 16th January 2024.**
To note that Cllr Verrill had requested legal advice to be taken in relation to the deed of easement otherwise it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes were approved.
- 19.06** **RESOLVED** that Item 2024/024g and 2024/025 c be brought forwards.
1. Item 2024/024g. A member of the public brought an example of the hedgehog boxes they would like the council to assist in funding to provide additional units for the village. The cost of these are £35.00 each.
RESOLVED Members requested that the member of the public obtain further written costs to support the request and bring it back to the table.
2. Item 2024/025 c. A short presentation was made by Harmony Energy. Numerous questions were asked which requires the Harmony Energy Representatives to seek the answers to and advise the council accordingly.
- 19.26** The meeting resumed.
- 2024/020 To receive a report from Cllr Nick Brown of North Yorkshire County Council.**
Cllr Brown noted that members had received the minutes from the YW meeting last week. The meeting with Area 6 is rescheduled for 26.02.2024 as the head of Area 6 was unable to attend at the time originally agreed.
4 dates have been scheduled for meetings with YW. It is suggested that the meeting doesn't take place until YW have the details of the capital expenditure for the programme.
- 2024/021 Clerk's report.** To note the clerks report.
RESOLVED The clerks report was noted.

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2024/022

Financial matters.

- a) To approve the payments as per the schedule attached.
RESOLVED The payments were approved.
- b) To note the ongoing approved payments as per the schedule attached.
The ongoing contractual payments were noted.
- c) To note the bank reconciliation and budget comparison as attached.
The bank reconciliation was noted.

2024/023

Planning matters.

- a) To consider and make observations on the following planning applications.
There are no planning applications to note.
- b) To note planning decisions as per attached document.
B1 ZC23/04395/FUL – Westwick Edge Farm – Granted
B2 ZC23/03711/TPO – Ings Lyn, St Johns Road – Granted
B3 ZC23/03898/DVCON – Site of Lamb and Flag – Approved

The Planning decisions were noted.
- c) To note planning enforcements as per attached document.
There are no planning enforcements to note.

2024/024

Ongoing matters.

- a) To receive an update from Cllr Shand and the clerk on the provision of play equipment for older children and the grant applications.
This item had been covered in the clerks report.
- b) To receive an update from the working party in relation to the plan to provide an item to celebrate the Coronation of HM King Charles III, namely the Coronation Walk and decide any action as appropriate.
It was reported that bad weather was holding up progressing the project and the walk of the planned route has not yet taken place. Part of the footpath is on Potters Farm.
RESOLVED That Cllr Culshaw and the clerk will write to the owner of Potters Farm and also the footpaths officer.
- c) To receive an update on traffic calming on Knaresborough Road and consider any action required.
RESOLVED Clerk still dealing.
- d) To receive an update on traffic calming on Moor Road and consider any action required.
RESOLVED Clerk Still dealing
- e) To receive an update on the RoSPA play inspection report and consider any actions arising from same.
RESOLVED Clerk to chase
- f) To receive an update on the Mechanics Institute Clock.
This is still ongoing.
- g) To receive an update from Cllr Parsons in relation to the enquiries regarding interest from residents in providing hedgehog highways.
This item was heard at the beginning of the meeting.

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- h) To receive an update from Cllr Culshaw on the current position in relation to the notice board.
It was noted previously that some pictures on the draft notice board contained images of residential dwellings to which permission had not been sought to use these. Cllr Culshaw has approached said owners who have all stated that they are agreeable to the pictures being included.
RESOLVED That Cllr Culshaw will approach the designer, Red Bonsai, with a view to obtaining full costs for the production of the unit. He will also request a cost for if two units are supplied, although there will be a slight difference in that the 'You Are Here' tag will be in different locations.
- i) To receive an update from Cllrs Culshaw and Parsons following the working party meeting in relation to updating the PC website and how to communicate items to residents more effectively.
It was noted that the clerk is going to add Cllrs Culshaw and Parsons to both the council FB and Website to allow posting of items. The council intend to use as many media sources as possible to capture the widest distribution of residents.
RESOLVED That Cllrs Culshaw, Parsons and the clerk continue with this project.
- j) To consider feedback in relation to D Day celebrations and decide any further actions as necessary.
It was noted that the clerk had spoken to the village hall committee who advised they are not planning any celebrations on this occasion.
RESOLVED That Cllr Parsons will bring some ideas on how the council can mark this occasion to the next meeting.
- k) To receive an update from the clerk in relation to S106 funds.
RESOLVED To defer this item as the clerk advised she had not had time to follow this up.

2024/025

New matters and correspondence.

- a) To consider the draft grass cutting contract, agree any amendments and approve circulation with a return date deadline.
RESOLVED That the clerk circulate the contract with a return timescale of two weeks.
- b) To receive an update in relation to the Deed of Easement between Yorkshire Water, Kebble Homes and Bishop Monkton Parish Council and review the draft Deed of Easement Document.
- c) To welcome representatives from Harmony Energy and receive an update on the planning application for the development of a Solar Farm in the locality.
RESOLVED Cllrs Culshaw and Garnett are to draw up a list of points which need consideration and further answers from Harmony Energy before the council can give a definitive response to the consultation.
- d) To consider a working party to manage the beck clearance and associated matters.
RESOLVED Cllr Culshaw to set up working party to include the residents who currently are involved in the care of the beck.
- e) To consider communication from North Yorkshire Council in relation to the grass cutting of the urban splays for the year 2024/2025.
RESOLVED That the parish council will continue to cut these areas on behalf of North Yorkshire.

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- f) To note the minutes from Cllr Brown's forum held 8th February 2024.
The minutes were noted.
- g) To consider approving that Cllrs Culshaw and Parsons and the Clerk be allowed to attend the Canva course via YLCA.
RESOLVED That attendance on the course be approved.

- 2024/026** **To agree items to be communicated to residents, and the methods to be employed.**
- Precis of the minutes.
 - PC looking into obtaining grant funding to provide new play area.
 - Presentation from Harmony Energy. PC will decide its position the next meeting.
 - Highways. Various matters raised. A meeting to take place with members and Area 6 where concerns will be raised.
 - The Footpath at Potters Farm.
 - Beck Committee to become a working party of the parish council.
- 2024/027** **To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda at the next meeting.**
- Road sign on Roecliffe Road needs replacing.
 - If NY wont do them then can PC so it instead.
- 2024/028** **The next Ordinary meeting of Bishop Monkton Parish Council will be held Tuesday 19th March 2024 in the Methodist Room.** *The latest date for members to submit items for consideration on the agenda is Monday 11th March.*
- 2024/029** **Public Participation** *For members of the public to raise matters. Please note that there will be no decisions made on matters raised in this session. Should there be a requirement then the matter will be brought to the agenda at the next meeting of the council.*
- The public would like the participation to be moved to the beginning of the meeting.