

EPPLEBY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

Minutes of MEETING of EPPLEBY PARISH COUNCIL on TUESDAY 15TH JUNE 2021 at 8.00pm held in Eppleby Village Hall.

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| Present: | Councillor A. Allum (Chairman)
Councillor D. Burrell
Councillor P. Dowson
Councillor S. Gee
Councillor A. Simpson
Councillor J. Wilson-Petch | Action |
| Officers: | Cllr Sara Gee (Stand-in Clerk) | |
| 21-06/09 | <u>TO RECEIVE AND NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>
Cllr A Thompson and Mrs G O'Driscoll (Clerk) - accepted | |
| 21-06/10 | <u>TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>
None. | |
| 21-06/11 | <u>MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2nd MARCH 2021</u>
RESOLVED:
The minutes of meeting of 2 nd March 2021 were approved. Cllr Allum signed minutes. | |
| 21-06/12 | <u>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 2nd MARCH 2021</u>
Village green ownership: Cllr Allum has looked into this and found it is a legal name for the village green and protects against future development. Eppleby Green has been registered by the Local Authority since 1969. It would be difficult to deregister and change the use of the Green. All agreed the Village Greens are to be left and additional parking cannot be provided. | SG |
| | RDC life line letter to forward to school | |
| 21-06/13 | <u>TO REPORT FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS</u>

District Council report from Cllr Wilson-Petch. Zoom meetings have been working successfully across the County. The next meeting is to be held at Mercury House Richmond.

Cllr Wilson- Petch informs the Parish Council there are grants available via Joanne Scott. | |
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No planning issues within the village.

Discussed A66 progress- start date 2024- completion date 2029.

July 2021 will be the date for clarity of setting up new authority of north Yorkshire local authority.

Cllr Simpson requested an update regarding Scotch Corner shopping development. Noted there will be large service station at Catterick and the road from Brompton to -Richmond will be developed significantly.

Further brief discussion on climate control and electric cars.

Cllr Allum thanked Cllr Wilson-Petch for his attendance and representations.

21-06/14 REPORT FROM NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

Received. Cllr Allum read the report to attendees. Reminded that anything suspicious be reported to ring 101 and crime in progress 999.

21-06/15 TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL REPORT AND RATIFY FINANCIAL MATTERS

In the absence of the Clerk a report was provided and an overview of the following:

Precept received £6,500.00 30th April 2021.

Expenses approved and cheques signed.

Noted VAT claimed £999.96 and received 21st May 2021.

Balance in account £14,720.45.

BHIB insurance renewal liability renewed.

21-06/16 TO DISCUSS:

a) Tidy Village Competition – not entered this year, results noted in due course.

Wildlife Policy – Discussion about this and how to create biodiversity within the village in creating a wild meadow area to encourage bees and wildlife. Two sites considered – Back Lane from Mushroom Corner and New Row and also next to the Allotments. Also a three meter area around base of large tree on Main Green. Daffodils are also needed to fill in the gaps where they are missing.

AS/SG

Small and large bug hotel area discussed and proposed an area by allotment.

SG

Small bug hotel outside school - option to work with school.

Queen Platinum Jubilee 2022- suggestion of planting a couple of trees around village to mark this celebration- Cllrs discussed possible places for new trees to be sited. Post to be put on facebook asking members of public for their thoughts.

Clerk

Cllr Simpson has invoice for village flower tubs for village at road end- to be reimbursed £184.72- cheque issued and signed by Chair.

AA

Inspection of play park taken place and recommendations received.

- b) BT Pole on Village Green
Ongoing discussions with Open Reach and Cllr AA to have this removed. **AA**
- c) Wayleave Agreements
AA in consultation with relevant authorities and sent off copies of plans. **AA**
- d) Drainage Survey
Drainage at the top of village still an ongoing issue. Pudding hill lane: continues to be problematic. Council on-going investigation. Cllr AA to contact Council and to ask has any action been taken? If so what? And what is best way forward. **AA**
- e) Matrix Board/Grant
Applied and approved for grant. Cllr AA signed to accept grant. Discussions on type of matrix board. Agreed to site it outside Mill View Farm. Plans to go ahead subject to Cllr AA discussing with farmer. **AA/AS**
- f) Village Green Issues
Complaint by resident at top of village in relation to tractor and lorries causing damage to garden boundary. Agreed Cllr AA to email highways to support resident in relation to this issue. **AA**
- Area to be assessed and maintained. Quotes to be sourced for painting of Village benches, by jubilee cottage, trough opposite school, 2 benches around the trees, bus shelter and two fixed benches in play park. Agreed P Quinn is asked to quote. **AA**
- Play Park - SG gave contact of fencer N Pickering for quote on fencing around playpark. Cllr Simpson also working on a grant for the play park. **SG/AS**
- g) Facebook
Facebook council page needs updating and setting to manage privacy. SG to alter setting to allow SG, AA and GO to be moderators and council team member name needs to be added. **SG**

21-06/17 TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER BUSINESS:
Planning application at Orchard House- Council member concerns of position of garage as an elevated and imposing position. Cllr AA to give views to District council **AA**

Email from open garden 10th July- action : to advertise on face book page **SG**

21-06/18 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
Tuesday 6th JULY 2021 or TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2021 at 8pm in Eppeby Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 22:00HRS

SIGNED: DATE: (Chairman)