

Pannal & Burn Bridge Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a Council Meeting

held in the Function Room of Pannal Village Hall

Start Time: 6.30 pm on Thursday 11th January 2018

All meetings of the Parish Council are open to the Press and Public

Present: Howard West (Chairman), Dave Oswin, Cathy Burrell, Ian Birchall, and Steve Cobb.

Members of the public were present

Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence. There were none.
2. Declarations of Interest. There were none.
3. The Minutes of 14th December were approved as a true and correct record.
4. Opportunity for public comment for items not on the agenda.
 - a. The Chairman wished to have on record thanks to all who had helped at the Carols on the Green.
 - b. Jackie Wootton (Deputy Chair of the NPSG) observed that the Parish Council was strongly positioned to participate in the Northern Forest Project. There was general agreement as to the opportunities and benefits and it was Resolved that the Clerk would approach CPRE and the Woodland Trust on the matter to initiate investigations.
 - c. Malcolm Wailes asked of the PC could assist in helping secure better broadband for the residents of Walton Park. It was commented on that other areas in the Parish were also served by poor broadband. It was Resolved that the Clerk would investigate what could be done.
5. To determine the plan of action regarding Highways.
 - a. The Chairman briefed the Council that North Yorkshire Police have already approved various sites for the use of speed detection equipment within the parish via the Community Speedwatch programme. He presented photographic evidence of all manner of signs attached to street furniture with no objections from NYCC. Having received no positive reply from North Yorkshire County Council since our requests in October 2017, it was Resolved to invoke the discretionary power that the Parish Council has (as stipulated by HBC Legal and Governance) to facilitate danger signs and traffic calming where there was general benefit to the community. This would entail securing further competitive quotes from traffic speed sign companies before proceeding with the existing resolution to provide such signage.
 - b. In addition, the Parish Council has still not heard anything further from NYCC about the Spring Lane/Westminster Drive junction. In the event of no positive answer being forthcoming in the next month (that is before the next Parish Council meeting on 8th February), it was Resolved to purchase a replacement mirror for siting by Mr R Gill on his private land opposite Westminster Drive.
6. The Clerk provided an update on the arrangements for support for the consultation period of the Local Plan. The tender had been sent out to planning consultancies and suppliers of related specialist services. The closing date for tender responses was 19th January and it was Resolved to form a sub-committee

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consisting of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman to formulate the support plan. Further there would be liaison with other organisations that would be able to help prepare the responses during the consultation period.

7. The NPSG Chair and Deputy Chair provided an update:
 - a. The Focus groups (FG) were operating.
 - b. The draft vision statement would soon be completed for the Clerk to send to HBC.
 - c. The Project Plan would be updated by Peter Stretton.
 - d. There were two places reserved for Howard West and Jackie Wootton on the Tadcaster Rural CIC seminar on 23rd February.
8. It was Resolved to make a Precept demand for 2018-2019 for £31750. The Clerk would action.
9. Dates of Planning Training courses were circulated and bookings made as appropriate.
10. Finance:
 - a. The current account and bank statement was approved as at 11th January.
 - b. Payment of invoices and expense claims received as at 11th January were approved.
11. Date and time of the next Council Meeting. 6.30 pm Thursday 8th February 2018.

Andrew Macdonald
Parish Clerk
16th January 2018