

EMBSAY WITH EASTBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on Wednesday November 11th 2020, 7:30pm Zoom Meeting.

1. **PRESENT:** Chair Cllr Benjamin, Cllr's Vince Smith, David Hill, Tom Lovatt, Robert Stead, Andrew Ayrton. Brian Shuttleworth. C Councillor Gill Quinn

Also, in Attendance: The Parish Clerk – 1 member of the Public

Welcome: Chair welcomed everyone for their attendance - opened the meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor Stella Kirkbride.

2. **DECLARATION OF ANY PERSONAL/FINANCIAL INTERESTS:** None

3. **APPLICATION FOR ANY DISPENSATIONS:** None.

4. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING & MATTERS ARISING**

The last Ordinary Parish Council Meeting was held on the 9th Sept 2020. The minutes of this meeting had been circulated previously. **Approved and Signed**

Matters Arising. Road Safety Signs – are now in place Thanks to Cllr Hill for his time on this.

Waste Bins – Moving of existing dog bin is now approved and missing bin from Eastby will be re-instated by CDC.

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Embsay with Eastby Hogwatch - via Cllr Benjamin & Mr Allan Haspell

- The Parish Council had received a letter previously circulated requesting Parish Council support for warning Hedgehogs signs to be displayed on posts at specific locations around the parish. It was suggested to be piggybacked upon the new Speedwatch signs or on other information and road signs.
- After discussion it was agreed that the addition of yet another sign on the Speedwatch post would detract from the important message aimed at drivers breaking the permitted speed limit. The villages entrance sign had already got an additional FairTrade sign attached again too many signs. The Highways department would have to be contacted by the Hogwatch Group to ask permission to attach any other warning sign. The Parish Council would look at any further evidence on this proposal submitted to Highways or the correct Government department.
- Mr Haspell have previously contacted the Clerk and Cllrs regarding the blocked drains on Low Lane causing continual flooding in bad weather. The cause of this being excess mud on the roadside verge. He asked if this issue could be discussed with Highways on finding ways to prevent this from happening?
- The Clerk had reported this on the Parish Portal, but that only put it in the system for inspection.
- Cllr Shuttleworth suggested a concrete kerb barrier might help divert the mud from congregating over the drain. This suggestion would be made to NYCC Highways Department. **Clerk to Action**

6. **REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

6.1 County Councillor Quinn – Points Raised –

- Request from Mr Steel at the Post Office for bollards after a recent incident with a caravan crashing into the wall outside the post office, had been investigated by highways. The findings show the narrowing of the pathway make this difficult and NYCC would not pay for these to be installed.
- Cllr Smith asked if NYCC Highways had approached Councillor Quinn to review the Parish Council application to fund the 20mph proposal? In advance of the panel making its decision to reject the PC application.
- Cllr Quinn said she had not been consulted and would have been in favour of the proposal had she been. She would be asking why this did not happen.

- Cllr Smith will be writing to Highways to complain on this issue.

6.2 District Councillor Shuttleworth – Written report circulated points raised:

- **Devolution Proposals** District Council's supporting the East/West (Hambleton not included) have recommended that the issue be dropped while the current pandemic crisis is minimised. Hambleton now supports the single NYCC centred proposal with the exception of York who refuse to be incorporated into any proposal.
- **Planning** CDC have sent a detailed response to MCHLG re White Paper planning reforms raising awareness on a number of issues, that will impact on local communities and district.
- **Embsay Children's Centre** Due to the changes in Highways conditions on application not meeting NPPF requirements. This application will now be considered under the officer delegation scheme and will not be called before planning committee.

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7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

7.1 Planning Updates – Circulated - No Questions Raised

7.2 The Responses – Clerk Report – circulated on applications submitted and responded to

2020/21963LBC	14 BARDEN ROAD	REPLACEMENT WINDOW FRAMES	NO OBJECTION
2020/21988/HH	3 FELL VIEW	SIDE/REAR EXT & LOFT CONVERSION	REAR DORMA OBJECTION/AWAITING INFORMATION
2020/21972/HH	17 SHIRES LANE	GARAGE CONVERSION /EXTENSION	NO OBJECTION
C26/608A	25 DALES AVENUE	SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION	NO OBJECTION

8. REPORTS FROM LEAD MEMBERS, COUNCIL WORKING PARTIES AND OUTSIDE BODIES.

8.1 Village Maintenance Report – Cllr Benjamin – Written report circulated highlighting on-going village maintenance – Points raised:

- Phone Boxes have now been cleaned
- Damage to Millholme bridge step reported to YDNP
- Car Park pothole repair needed – **Clerk to Action**
- Flooding in Car Park affecting neighbouring house. **BS to investigate**
- Missing “Frog Crossing” from junction of Shires Lane and Low Lane – no knowledge on this.

8.2 Speedwatch/ Road Safety Report – Cllr Hill & Cllr Smith – points raised:

- Speedwatch have undertaken 4 sessions 3 in September 1 in October 20 vehicles were reported for exceeding 35mph.
- Four Speed Watch Area signs installed in the Parish
- An application to NY Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner for £20,000 to help secure 20mph speed limit in parts of the parish had been rejected.
- Highway have indicated they will improve No Entry visibility on West Lane.
- Please Note that legislation regarding traffic signs featuring Hedgehogs will require application to the Department of Transport.

8.3 Recreation Ground – Cllr Stead reported that the Annual Inspection had taken place and although everything is at low level risk at the moment there appears to be some possible rotting on wooden structure that will need to be replaced at some point.

- Discussions concluded that prices should be sourced in order to budget for these over the next year.

8.4 Nature Reserve Report – Cllr Lovatt - written report circulated - no questions raised:

- The group have been successful in obtaining Grant funding from Cracoe Quarry to purchase tools and bulbs for planting in the spring.

8.5 War Memorial Garden – Cllr Lovatt informed the members that maintenance repairs had been completed. However, to even up the flagstones would require a major project to be discussed at WP level.

8.6 Village Institute & Fair Trade – Report Circulated – No questions raised

8.7 Additional Defibrillator – Cllr Hill informed members that the additional defibrillator is now installed.

9 . PC ADMINISTRATION.

9.1 Approve proposed 2021/22 Budget - Questions raised on possible cost of repair to playground equipment. Quotes on future cost will not appear in this budget - **Approved**

9.2 Millholme Tree Planting – Request from resident to replace a tree on verge – **Approved**

All Agreed

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS (Detailed Invoices approved for payment attached /circulated)

10.1 Monthly Expenditure & Bank Reconciliation – Sept ,(£1068.39) Oct,(£1947.71)

11. REPORT OF THE PARISH CLERK - report circulated - no questions raised.

11.1The Clerk asked member's to consider possible members of the parish for co-option on to working parties and or possible nomination to the Parish Council due to the imminent departure of Cllr Stead who will be living outside the permitted area of the parish.

12. POLICIES & PROCEDURES REVIEWS – None

Item for discussion: None

Meeting closed at:- 8.30pm

The next Parish Meeting is subject to Government Restriction TBC : Provisional date Feb 10th 2021

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