

EMBSAY WITH EASTBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 2nd February 2022, 7:30pm at the Village Institute .

PRESENT: Chair: Judith Benjamin, Cllrs Vince Smith, Stella Kirkbride, Tom Lovatt, Brian Shuttleworth, David Hill

Also, in Attendance: The Parish Clerk – 5 members of the Public

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

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** County Councillor Quinn, Cllr Andrew Ayrton
2. **DECLARATION OF ANY PERSONAL OR 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 13th November 2021.

The minutes of this meeting had been circulated previously.

Approved and signed.

Matters arising:

- 4.1 Embsay Recreation Trees Update .- Work is progressing.

5. NOMINATION – CO-OPTED MEMBER - ANN BRIGGS Nominated JLB Seconded SK All Agreed Resolved

6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Residents Dawn Barrett (29 East Lane) and Amy Kay (27 East Lane) asked that the Parish Council support their request to NYCC to remove the Speed Bump on East Lane. They had prepared a report which, unfortunately, had not been sent to the Clerk for circulation and, therefore, members had not had time to consider a response. Ms Barrett gave an overview of the request, and the Parish Council will consider its response at the next PC Meeting. (Agenda item)

7. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

- 7.1 County Councillor Quinn – Report via the Clerk that the Locality Budget has now been spent.£600 was given to the Allotment Association - towards a new pathway.

7.2 District Councillor Shuttleworth – Verbal Report - Points raised.

- Draft Legislation for North Yorkshire Council was laid before Parliament on the 24th January 2022. Formal approval is likely to be before mid-March.
- District council officers are now working on draft procedures ahead of 5th May Elections and subsequently to be considered by the shadow New Council. The new North Yorkshire Council Electoral wards will be considerably reduced in number. Embsay with Eastby will merge with Skipton North to form one ward. Cllr Shuttleworth intends to stand for this Ward Councillor Vacancy.
- The new council will be a Shadow Council for the new North Yorkshire Council authority – which will then be a standalone council after April 2023.
- What are currently County Highways and CDC Planning will come under one management section of the New Authority.
- Recent CDC Select Committee meetings on Tourism are taking place to review and propose effective policy controls.
- CDC Spatial Planning Committee meetings are looking at a range of issues including design in conservation areas and sustainable surface water drainage.
- There is a current Consultation exercise on CDC Website, regarding a Heritage Action Zone in the Coach Street area of Skipton.
- Budget Meeting – maximum Council Levy increase likely in line with Government constraints
- Cllr Shuttleworth attended a recent meeting with CC Quinn, the CDC development control manager and a representative from NYCC Highways regarding development issues on Shires Lane / East Lane junction.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

8.1 Planning Updates – Circulated - The Chair reported that a YDNP refused Planning Application for Hill Top Barn is going before the Secretary of State (Inspectorate) . The Parish Council did not receive the consultation request for this, so no comment was made. The Parish Council will notify the Inspector of this fact: with comment as to what its response would have been. (VS and WP)

8.2 Recommendations: - (Pending since last meeting)

2021/23416/FUL	CDC	LAITHE BARN LOW LANE PARKING GARAGE/OUTBUILDING	
2021/23590/HH	CDC	13 FELL VIEW EMBSAY SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION,	
C/26255F	YDNP	4 SAWLEY CLOSE EMBSAY WIDEN EXTENSION, ROOF LIGHT	
C/26/811	YDNP	34 BRACKENLEY LANE EMBSAY ERECTION DETACHED HOUSE	(OBJECTION)
C/26279D	YDNP	4 MIDGLEY CLOSE EMBSAY RETROSPECTIVE OFFICE BUILD	

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

9.1 Village Maintenance – JLB –points covered

- Elm Tree Square – Volunteer to maintain flowerbed agreed. SK to assist if needed. Signpost repainting still waiting on the volunteer . DH will undertake this if necessary. SK to determine.

SK requested Christmas Lights remain lit for the Fairtrade Fortnight 21st February to 6th March. Vote by show of hands 2 For – 3 Against – 2 Abstain – **Refused**

- Dalacres Bus Shelter: Resident had requested permission to decorate the interior with a countryside scene. VS raised concerns that this may encourage Graffiti. He could agree - but would prefer to see a design before agreeing. SK to feed back to the person concerned but felt local talent should be encouraged . **Deferred to next meeting**

SK & DH had recently inspected both Bus Shelters. The Dalacres one is covered with a large amount of Ivy which needs removing but the timetable will be dislodged. SK asked that the PC supply a case for the timetable. **Clerk to investigate cost. Deferred**

- Ash Die Back affected trees. Cllr's Benjamin & Lovatt will carry out a visual inspection throughout the parish to identify any that will need to be removed, and report back at next meeting. New rules state that removal is only necessary where consider dangerous. It may be that identified owners will need to be advised where necessary. **Action JLB.TL**

9.2 Road Safety/ Speedwatch – Reports circulated previously were read out at the meeting.

- No Speedwatch deployment had taken place.
- Written report circulated requesting approval for Working Party to submit an application to NYCC to set 20mph speed limit - incorporating Primary Roads from Bow Bridge to Barden Road exit from Eastby. NYCC have indicated they will consider applications on the basis of significant benefit to the community. **Approved Resolved**
- No further action/ update from the Private Petition reference speeds to the Bailey
- Previous suggestion of 20 PLENTY wheelie bin stickers (£150 for 200) was **Rejected**.
- **D.H** No recent Feedback from Traffic Bureau – Working Party to contact to ask reasons.
- **SK** informed members that vehicle demographics have changed in the parish, and she would personally write to MP Julian Smith regarding the dangers that pedestrians face on Skipton Road.

9.3 Nature Reserve – TL – points covered

- Routine maintenance
- Outside Meeting planned for planting.

9.4 Recreation Ground – JLB

- Repair to Fence has now been completed (unable to claim on insurance) DH suggested that letters be sent to boundary property owners asking occupants not to dispose of garden waste against the fence as this will contribute to a further decay of existing fence posts .(Clerk / Chair to action)
- Required tooling for securing loose fittings has been obtained
- DH reported attempts to repair the green gate had not been successful. JLB will inform Friends committee as they have plans to widen the access in the future.
- Bin Cleaning suggested previously is ongoing.
- Flowerbed Volunteer offered to prepare for Brownies.
- The Friends Pump Track Project is planned to begin in June 2022. Discussion with Tarmac on costing materials ongoing.
- Spring Tidy provisional date is 3rd April 2022

9.5 Memorial Garden – VS – Nothing to Report

9.6 Village Institute – Queen’s Jubilee Event -The Village Institute will be providing tables and chairs for residents to have a street party should they wish to do so - on the Sunday of the Celebration weekend. Please contact Shona Watson for more details. The Parish Council has offered to support.

FairTrade –

- Will be holding a Coffee Morning on 26th February at the Cavendish Arms 10-12
- Fair Trade Fortnight 21st February to 6th March. Bunting and Banner will be displayed around the Elm Tree and the Primary School children will be involved.

9.7 Car Park – Chair reported the result of Parish survey: 40% of households responded with 100% in favour of Option 2 (to contact CDC re transfer).

Cllr Benjamin, Cllr Shuttleworth and the Clerk will be meeting with Paul Ellis CDC Asset Manager on Friday 4th February to discuss asset transfer of the Main Street Car Park and to register an interest in the acquisition of the adjoining field. Chair requested that members pass delegated powers to WP to agree to all negotiation. District Cllr Shuttleworth declared a Conflict of Interest.

A show of hands All Agreed Approved

9.8 Crime Report from PCSO distributed. No Questions.

10. PC ADMINISTRATION.

10.1 Approve Precept Budget 2022/23: **£30632.00**

Approved Resolved

10.2 Grant Award to Good Neighbours: £175 Immediately & £300 post April towards future events.

Proposed VS Seconded DH

11. FINANCIAL MATTERS (Detailed Invoices approved for payment circulated)

11.1 Monthly Expenditure & Bank Reconciliation – **Dec 2021 £ 1949.92 - Jan 2022 £1029.88**

12. REPORT OF THE PARISH CLERK – No Questions raised.

- The Clerk informed members that the existing Internal Auditors had suspended their services and that two quotes had been received from YLCA registered Auditors. The Finance WP recommended that “Town Parish Audit “ (Hebden Bridge) be engaged.

Proposed VS Seconded DH Resolved

The Clerk informed members that the CDC Monitoring officer had emailed the Election Nomination Documents for 5th May 2022. The Clerk requested that ALL Councillors should try attend the TEAMS Briefing Session on 15th February at 5:30 pm.

13. POLICIES & PROCEDURES REVIEWS – None

14. Item for discussion

- **Additional Grit Bin Request by resident on Fell View :**
A debate decided against the purchase of any additional bins.
Vote by show of hands 2 For - 3 Against - 2 Abstain **Refused Resolved**
- **Request from Parishioner:** querying a smokeless zone in the Parish , was resolved by phone and consultation with Environmental Health.
- **Queen's Jubilee tree planting was deferred due to lack of time remaining.**

Meeting closed at:-21:30pm

Next Parish Meeting Date: March 9th 2022 Venue: Village Institute, Embsay
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