

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF CLOUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ST. MARY'S CHURCH HALL ON MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillor P Couch (Chairman)
Councillor D Baker
Councillor J Brace
Councillor G Hill
Councillor Mrs K Loy
Councillor Mrs Readman

County Cllr. D Bastiman (left 7.50pm), 3 members of public (left various times), Mrs J. Marley (Clerk).

Absent: Cllr. D Ford, Borough Cllr. A Backhouse.

The Chairman reminded the meeting that filming, photographing or audio recording of the meeting's proceedings was allowed and asked that people wishing to do this notified the Clerk of their intention prior to the start of the meeting. In the interests of encouraging public participation it was requested that people remained seated and did not include members of the public "in shot".

61/17 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** **Accepted** from Cllr. D Ford (prior commitment).

62/17 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.

63/17 **MINUTES** Having been previously circulated, the minutes of the meeting of 3rd July 2017 were **approved** as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

64/17 **PROCEDURAL MATTER** Standing Orders were suspended at 7.31pm.

65/17 **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** Matters raised included damaged slats on seat, problems with the kissing gate in the Uttriss field, lack of weed removal in beck grass cutting at Church Beck Cottages.

66/17 **PROCEDURAL MATTER** Standing Orders were resumed at 7.35pm.

67/17 **MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** Cllr. Couch would speak with cricket club re. kissing gate and repair seat. Clerk to contact Environment Agency and YCH re. beck and Church Beck Cottages.

68/17 **REPORTS**

a) **Police:** Written report **received**.

b) **County:** County Cllr. Bastiman reported NYCC Trading Standards had recently successfully prosecuted a Scarborough man who was part of a gang who conned a pensioner out of her £17,000 life savings. He also reported NYCC had voted against the Fire and Rescue Authority being taken over by the Police and Crime Commissioner.

c) **Borough:** Borough Cllr. Bastiman reported Sustrans' proposals for the Cinder Track would be considered at a meeting of SBC Scrutiny Committee on 13/9/17, prior to consideration by Cabinet on 17/10/17. *[Cllr. Bastiman left the meeting at this point]*

d) **Parish:** Cllr. Baker reported the gully intended to take water running down Quarry Bank and across the A171 was not at the low point- as a result the water ran over the drop kerb for his house and into his garden (Clerk to refer to Highways). Cllr. Brace reported on the NYMNP Joint Forum where it was said the North York Moors had the worst mobile phone and broadband coverage in the UK. He also reported the seat up the track at Sycharham had been damaged – Cllr. Couch suggested it be replaced with the recycled bench held in store at Town Farm. **Agreed** Cllr. Couch to speak with J Green and get prices for fixing from J Ulliott and C Hiley. Cllr. Mrs Readman reported the area behind Church Beck Cottages where the old greenhouses were was also very untidy – Clerk to refer to YCH. Cllr. Couch reported a loose manhole cover near East Meon – Clerk to refer to Highways.

e) **Clerk:** no matters to report.

69/17 **PLAYGROUND** *[Minute 57/17 refers]* Cllr. Mrs Loy had been on an excellent course run by the YLCA on playground design, management and funding. She asked that potential playground users be brought on board to progress the scheme and it was agreed to form a working party of six to eight people, the brief being to start with the basic design by Playdale and see what users wanted and what funds could be

raise. They may also start a Facebook page. Cllr. Mrs Loy would report back to the Parish Council on behalf of the Working Party.

70/17 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) **Cinder Track Restoration Plan** Email with Sustrans' proposals had been emailed to all councillors. Overall councillors were not happy with the proposals as they would completely alter the ambience of the track, turning it from a path to a racetrack. A width of 3metres was excessive and while it was acknowledged the surface needed work in some areas, a metalled surface for much of the track was inappropriate and urbanised a rural path. If the drainage problems were addressed then much of the surface erosion would be reduced. The overhanging trees and flora/fauna of the track was part of its appeal. The area from Scalby into town was more urban and may benefit from improvements such as proposed. **Agreed** Clerk to write a strong letter of objection to the proposals for the line as it runs north from Scalby.
- b) A letter dated 27/7/17 (sent to Newby & Scalby Parish Council and passed on by them) from Treasurer of Scalby Library Trustees re. promised funding was **received & noted. Agreed** cheque in payment of promised funding of £500 for current year be placed on October agenda. Councillors expressed strong concerns that the situation regarding funding of the library had changed substantially since July 2016 [*Minute 58/16a*] refers] & felt further information was needed. As the Clerk was also clerk to other Parish Councils (including Newby & Scalby), further **agreed** the Chairman would write to the Treasurer on Council's behalf asking that Cloughton Parish Council be provided with a copy of the library's 2017/18 accounts as soon as possible after its year end so councillors could re-assess future funding.
- c) SBC Local Plan 2011-32 – **noted** this was adopted by Scarborough Borough Council on 3rd July 2017;
- d) Correspondence received after 30/8/17 & requiring a response before next meeting – none.

71/17 **PLANNING MATTERS**

- a) **Applications received:-** None.
- b) **Decisions received:-** the following were noted:-
 - i) NYM/2014/0022/FL, NYM/2014/0023/FL, NYM/2014/0024/FL and NYM/2014/0126/FL – all at land to the west of Calthwaite Farm, Cloughton for retrospective agricultural livestock buildings and a feed tower – S106 agreement not to undertake any form of pig or poultry rearing at the site now in place and planning consent granted;
 - ii) NYM/2015/0885/FL – change of land use from siting of touring caravan to siting of log cabin/chalet/mobile home on land to south of Wyke Lodge, Staintondale – appeal allowed.
- c) **Planning matters received after 30/8/17:-** None.

72/17 **FINANCE MATTERS**

- a) **2016/17 external audit** - **noted** an unqualified opinion has been received and the Conclusion of Audit notice posted;.
- b) **Playgroup lease** – **noted** the term of the current lease expired on 1/9/2017. Councillors minded to grant an extension but at an increased rent. **Agreed** Clerk to write to playgroup and ask someone to attend the October Council meeting to give financial information.

73/17 **ACCOUNTS TO CERTIFY**

Having been previously notified, the following were approved for payment:

Playgroup	refund of overpaid rent Sept. 2012 to Aug 2017	£20-00
St. Mary's Church	hall hire Apr-Sept [5x£10]	£50-00
YLCA	playground design course 27/7/17	£40-00
Duchy of Lancaster	playground rent to 28/9/18	£42-00
PKF Littlejohn	2016/17 external audit	£120-00

- 74/17** **CIRCULATION** Clerks & Councils Direct (July and Sept. 2017) were handed to Cllr. Baker for circulation.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.10pm.