

GRASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Grassington Parish council held in the Council office on

Thursday 25th April 2019 at 7.30pm

**Chairman: Cllr R Charlton**

**Councillors: Cllr Smith, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Darwin, Cllr Lofthouse, Cllr Booth, Cllr Kendall & Cllr Brooksbank**

**Officer: Mrs L Close (Clerk)**

**Present: 11 Electors**

**Chairman’s Remarks**

Cllr Charlton welcomed everybody to the meeting and thanked them for attending

**2019/01 - Item 1 – To accept reasons for Absence**

Councillor M Rooze who was on holiday (*unanimous)*

**2019/02 - Item 2 – Disclosures of Interest and Dispensations received in respect of this meeting**

Cllr K Darwin and Cllr J Booth who are allotments holder – Item 8

Cllr Johnson and Cllr Darwin who are directors of a spirit company – Item 11

Cllr J Booth who lives close to a planning application – Item 11

Due to the large number of Electors, The Chairman opened the meeting to the public and invited them to speak.

A resident spoke regarding a planning application that the Council had previously discussed. It was confirmed that this application was now awaiting to be heard at YDNPA Planning Committee.

The applicants of application C/33/460B discussed their development. They confirmed that they are struggling with current living conditions and wish to create a family home along with a distillery business that they have years of expertise in. The Councillors and members of the public were given the opportunities to ask questions regarding the proposals.

Councillor Charlton thanked everybody for attending and the meeting reconvened.

**2019/03 - Item 3 – Minutes of the previous meeting**

Proposed by Councillor T Lofthouse

Seconded by Councillor J Brooksbank

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of Thursday 28th March 2019 meeting are signed as a true and accurate record.

**2019 /04 - Item 4 – Financial Matters**

**Bank Reconciliation**

£32,487.13

**Schedule of payments and receipts (April 2019)**

Proposed by Cllr B Smith

Seconded by Cllr K Darwin

**RESOLVED** that the schedule of payments made totalling £519.54 and the bank reconciliation be made accepted.

**Authorisation of the RFO to be added to the bank mandate**

Proposed by Cllr T Lofthouse

Seconded by Cllr B Kendal

**RESOLVED** that the Responsible Financial Officer is added to the mandate of signatures to enable her to have online banking access. All payments will be dual authorised online.

**Internal Audit**

Proposed by Cllr P Jonhson

Seconded by Cllr T Lofthouse

**RESOLVED** that the internal be appointed for 2018/2019 at a cost of £300

**2019/05 - Item 5 – Lighting**

Councillor Lofthouse gave an update of the lighting and issues that have been reported. All correspondence was sent to the Council for filing. Cllr T Lofthouse gave an overview of the lighting situation.

Proposed by Cllr B Kendal

Seconded by Cllr B Smith

**RESOLVED** that the replacement of the lights and brackets at 8 The Square and 4 Gyhlls Fold are to proceed.

**2019/06 - Item 6 – Property Matters**

The recent communication from the Trustees of the Town Hall was discussed.

Proposed by Cllr P Johnson

Seconded by Cllr T Lofthouse

**RESOLVED** that the letter received from the trustees was considered and an appropriate reply would be agreed and sent.

**2019/07 - Item 7 – Playground Matters**

The inspection for May would be carried out by Cllr Darwin

**2019/08 - Item 8 – Allotments**

There were 2 allotments that had not started cultivating their patch, the Clerk would write to the allotment holder and ask them to start work.

It was agreed that the allotment plot number 12 needed so much work it would not be appropriate to ask the tenant for payment this year.

**2019/09 - Item 9 – Highways**

It was confirmed that Cllr B Kendall was added to the Highways Portal

It was also advised that despite the council purchasing a new grit bin it had not been filled, this matter to be referred back to Cllr Quinn again.

**2019/10 – Item 10 District / County Councillors**

There were not Councillors present

**2019/11 - Item 11 – Planning**

It was confirmed that final comments to application C/33/518 had been submitted

5 Councillors support this application with the caveat of tents only and caravan removal

2 Councillors feel the management house is excessive for the proposed application

1 Councillor is against this application

C/33/460B – It was resolved that the Councillors would make a site visit at 7pm on Monday 29th April

C/33/351B – This application had been approved conditionally

C/33/257E – Bridge House approved with 106 condition

C/33/267F&G/LB – Further information had been circulated; it was decided to discuss this at a site visit on Monday 29th April

C/33/36A – Fell View approved conditionally

**2019/12 - Item 12 – Matters Requested by Councillors**

Parking charges in the village was discussed

Proposed by Cllr B Kendall

Seconded by Cllr P Johnson

**RESOLVED** to move this item forward by researching other villages and towns in the Dales that place honesty boxes for parking charges. Information is sought on how this is managed and the amount of revenue that could be sought. This information would then be brought back to council for further debate

**2019/13- Item 13 – Correspondence**

Grassington FC had written to ask if permission could be given to install sponsor boards around the pitch edges. It was decided that this was granted in principle however more information was needed to confirm, planning permission, ownership of the fence, repair and replace responsibility and how many boards would be sponsored.

**2019/14- Item 14 – Matters Raised by the Public**

A member of the public asked about Electric car charging points, the YDNPA would be asked regarding this issue.

*Notification of business for future agenda should be 7 clear days of the next meeting.*

*The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on May 23rd at 7pm in the Games room of the Town Hall, this will be followed by the Annual meeting of the Parish Council at 7.30pm*

With no further business discussed the meeting closed at 8.47pm