Topcliffe Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Topcliffe Parish Council held on Thursday 1st December 2022 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall Lower Committee Room

Present: Cllr J Moores (Chairman), Cllr R Beckwith, Cllr C Bumby, Cllr B Collard and Cllr D Roberts. Also present were: Two members of the public, Cllr P Bardon and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

22/061 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Robson.

22/062 To Note any Declarations of Interest

No Declarations Interests received.

22/063 Public Participation

A resident raised the issue of a street light off at The Mount and a lack of lighting down the lane between Church Street and Church Street.

22/064 To Receive Reports from Ward Councillors

Cllr Bardon noted the planning application at Eldmire Farm which was discussed in item 22/066.

22/065 Minutes

It was resolved the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 3rd November 2022 be approved as a correct record

22/066 Acceptance of Draft Agreement

A draft agreement for support in future traffic management had been offered by the developer, in relation to planning application 22/01474/OUT and this was circulated in advance of the meeting.

It was resolved that the draft agreement be accepted and the Clerk will formalise this with the developer

22/067 Issues Relating to Parish Open Spaces

Traffic Management inc HGVs

A meeting had taken place with the Area 2 Highways Manager. It was felt that Highways could do more to support the council and that they, and Trading Standards, should be working more in line with the 1974 Traffic Act to deter and enforce matters. The result of the meeting was as follows:

Enforcement Trading Standards Officer J Boutflower will be contacted for assistance.

Signage Some specific signage will be altered that is under NYCC control and will contact the National

Highways Agency to establish when their signage will be ready.

TRO A Business and Environment Services Executive meeting will take place in the New Year and a

representative of the Parish Council will be able to speak at this.

It was resolved that Councillors Moores and Beckwith will follow these areas up, to ensure they are progressed It was resolved that legal advice may be considered, as an option in the future, if matters do not move forward Cllr Roberts advised that there was a marked decrease in HGV movements seen on camera when the police had been in the village.

General Village Maintenance

A hedge is overgrowing the footpath at the side of the Toll Booth and also on the end of East Lea.

It was resolved that the Clerk will report this to highways

The Clerk advised councillors to encourage residents to put issues on hedges encroaching footpaths on the NYCC portal and a link will be put on the website.

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A resident had raised the lack of bus shelters in the village. Councillors agreed that they will look into the options for this, including costs and licensing options and consider it at a future meeting.

A matter relating to access on Back Lane was discussed and will be raised with Broadacres.

Cllr Robson joined the meeting at 19.43

A number of other maintenance matters were discussed and there will be a working party in the spring to address some of these concerns.

22/068 Finance

- a. To approve payments
- b. A receipts of £2 was received from the snooker club

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It was resolved that payments be made

22/069 Correspondence

- a. A letter had been received in support of the work the Parish Council is doing to reduce HGV presence in the village.
- b. A response had been received from Broadacres regarding an empty property in their care.
- c. A letter had been received from Thirsk Library requesting a contribution from the Parish Council. Councillors do not wish to consider a donation to this.
- d. A Carols round the Tree service will be taking place just before Christmas and the Parish Council will donate £50 to provide refreshments for the occasion.
- e. Parking at the Doctors Surgery is becoming a greater problem in the village. This will be monitored.

22/070 Next Meeting

The date and time of the next meeting was agreed as Thursday 2nd February 2022.

22/071 The meeting closed at 8.06pm

Signed: Chairman

Date: