

Topcliffe Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Topcliffe Parish Council
held on Thursday 15th February 2024 at 7.00pm in Topcliffe Village Hall

Present: Cllr J Moores, Chairman; Cllr C Bumby; Cllr R Beckwith and Cllr D Roberts.

Also Present: Five members of the public and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

23/087 Apologies

No apologies received, Cllr B Collard was not present.

23/088 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest.

23/89 Public Participation

The grit bin that had been reported as damaged has been replaced. A resident has been in touch with highways regarding the signage on Back Lane, which have been replaced. They have also sent details of a blocked gully.

23/090 Report from Ward Councillor

Cllr Rev D Sladden had sent a report in advance of the meeting.

Items of public interest will be added to the Topcliffe website.

23/091 Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 7th December 2023 be approved

23/092 To Consider Issues Relating to Parish Open Spaces including:

1. To consider HGV Traffic Management

A constructive meeting had taken place with Trading Standards. It was confirmed that prosecutions are pending but the timescales for this are quite lengthy. There is still work to do regarding giving parishes delegated authority to action these prosecutions in the future.

Weight limit signage will not be followed up again until National Highways move their signage around the and 6 months will be left to assess the impact before requesting these to be changed.

2. To review data from speed matrix and agree actions

Data from the matrix was circulated to councillors and there is a high number of vehicles (39%) travelling at a speed of over 33mph. North Yorkshire Police have been informed but they have limited resources to provide an officer. Council will consider provision of hard standing to support the positioning of a police vehicle.

3. To note progress with the sewage issues on Front Street

Cllr Moores reported that Yorkshire Water have admitted responsibility for the smell, have actioned dosing the sewage again and are looking into a permanent solution.

4. The Play Area entrance is very muddy and wet. Some hardcore will be sourced to prevent this deterioration.

5. Legal advice is being taken regarding the lease of the former clubhouse, to ensure the ownership of the land is safeguarded for the future reverting to the Parish Council if it is ever not used by 1st Topcliffe Scouts.

6. A Village Tidy day has been successful in the past and this will be arranged again for the spring.

23/093 Finance

1. To approve payments
2. To note receipts

It was resolved that payments be made and receipts noted

23/094 Planning

None at the time of the agenda.

Signed
Chairman
Date

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23/095 Correspondence

A letter was received advising of the burial fees for 2023 to be paid to TPC.

Councillors did not wish to discuss a request for funding from Friends of Topcliffe School at this time.

23/096 Next Meeting

It was resolved that the date and time of the next meeting is Thursday 4th April 2024

The meeting closed at 19:47

Signed
Chairman
Date