

Topcliffe Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Topcliffe Parish Council held on
Thursday 7th October at 7.15pm in the village hall.

Present: Cllr J Moores (Chairman), Cllr T Bruce, Cllr B Collard and Cllr M Morley.

Also present: Cllr B Baker, Cllr P Bardon, Cllr M Robson and Alexandra Little, Clerk.

21/047 Apologies

It was resolved that apologies be received and accepted from Cllr R Beckwith.

21/048 No Declarations of Interest

21/049 No members of the public were present

21/050 Reports from Ward Councillors

Cllr Baker advised that he has been selected as Vice Chairman of the Hambleton Area Committee. He also has a locality budget available and the clerk will submit an application for this for lifebuoys.

Cllr Robson advised that the Crematorium is on schedule to open at the end of January 2022 and the refurbished Thirsk and Sowerby Leisure Centre will reopen on 27th October. The Making a Difference Fund launches next week with £250,000 available for small projects across the 5 market towns and, depending on interest, Cllr Robson may be able to accommodate more. Part of Local Government Reorganisation will recommend that the Town and Parishes will have elections in May 2022 with a 5 year term.

21/051 Minutes

It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 5th August 2021 be signed as a correct record

21/052 To Consider Issues Relating to Parish Open Spaces including:

1. Update on Dalton Industrial Estate Development: The planning application has been approved and there have been a number of conditions agreed within the section 106 agreement. The Parish Council felt that they were well supported by the District Councillors, Planning Officers and the Planning Committee. Next steps are to consider how the PC evidence the traffic movements via additional MVAS or self contained camera and to ensure the legal agreement is as detailed as the heads of terms. At planning committee, James Kennedy committed to look at signage, this was followed up by Cllr Bruce.
2. HGV Update - Cllr Beckwith has updated councillors on this and Operation Spartan is continuing.
3. Village Tidy Day will take place on Saturday 16th October and address several areas of concern around the village. HDC will provide the sacks and hi viz jackets and collection near the Angel on Monday 18th.
4. The sheep issue in the Playing Field seems to have been resolved and the fence has been repaired. The gate post at the pedestrian gate is rotten and needs to be replaced
5. Discussions are still ongoing regarding parking provision at the Bowling Club

21/053 Finance

It was resolved that payments be approved and receipts noted

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It was resolved that the two lifebuoys be ordered and installed and that the council will consider the ongoing maintenance and insurance requirements of these.

21/054 Planning Applications

21/02163/FUL Application to cover use classes B2, B8 and E(g) for extensions and restructuring of existing production facility into newly acquired land at Wagg Foods. Discussion took place about the lack of information in this application. Councillors would like to see a transport assessment showing HGV movements, Light Transport and Staff Transport & the possibility of odours.

Signed
Chairman
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It was resolved that the Clerk request this information from the planning officers and feedback to members as soon as this is received

21/055 To consider and agree a response to the NYCC Highways Consultation re HGV Weight Limits

Councillors noted that they were very pleased with the outcome of this consultation, Cllr Moores will respond in support of the proposals and comment that it is an improvement in road safety, will reduce damage to property and offer thanks to K Battersby and his team and also request timescales for implementation and methods of enforcement. Cllrs Baker, Bardon and Robson will also add their support to this proposal.

21/056 Members Reports/Observations

1. Grass cutting needs to be reviewed and put on the agenda for future agreement.
2. Additional grounds maintenance works need to be reviewed and brought to a future meeting.
3. Cllr Collard will meet a grounds maintenance contractor to look at weed management in the sheep wash.
4. Cllr Bruce is meeting with a teacher from Topcliffe School to look at a project with children re road safety.
5. The Clerk advised that the local Police Sergeant had not received any reports of antisocial behaviour and he advised that residents should report incidents to 999 if they are ongoing or 101 if it is after the event.
6. Water issues are being reported and the HDC Officer has been helpful with this, Yorkshire Water have also corresponded with Cllr Moores and this is ongoing. Councillors and residents are encouraged to report the incidences of this to HDC.

21/057 Correspondence

1. A letter had been received from the Lord Lieutenant suggesting that the Parish Council support the Queens Green Canopy in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee. This will be circulated to councillors and discussed at the next meeting.

21/058 Next Meeting

It was resolved the date and time of the next meeting be Thursday 4th November 2021 at 7.15pm

The meeting closed at 8.34pm

Signed
Chairman
Date