

GREAT AND LITTLE BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
IN GREAT BROUGHTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7PM ON MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2023

PRESENT: Councillors - Helen Eldabe, Robert Jones(Chair), Cathy Williamson and Susan Wilmot.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk to Great and Little Broughton Parish Council: Angela Livingstone, North Yorkshire Council Cllr Bryn Griffiths.

23.146 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Apologies for absence had been received from Chris Tyerman and Deborah Towler. The reasons for absence were approved by the council. There were no declarations of interest.

23.147 TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 NOVEMBER 2023 AND ANY MATTERS ARISING

23.147.1 The minutes of the meeting of 13 November 2023 were proposed as correct and approved. The Chair signed the document.

23.147.2 There were no matters arising from the minutes.

23.148 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME - no public present.

23.149 POLICE REPORT – 1 – 30 November - Arson/Criminal Damage: 1, Auto crime/SMV: 2 - son repeatedly stealing mothers car. Total this period: 3

23.150 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

23.150.1 The following planning applications were received and considered by Councillors. It was agreed that there were no planning considerations which required commenting on for the applications received.

ZB23/02191/FUL - 2 Lowcross Drive -Single storey front extension

ZB23/02130/FUL - 133 High Street - Installation of a Catslide Dormer to the South East frontage roof

ZB23/02300/FUL - Mount Pleasant Way Stokesley Business Park - Construction of a B2/B8 warehouse building

ZB23/02367/CAT - 76 High Street- Application for works to trees in a conservation area - T1, Silver Birch and T2 Maple tree - general maintenance, re-prune. T3 Willow tree – Pollard Willow tree. T4 Cedar tree at the bottom of the garden - remove 2 large low limbs overhanging the garden.

23.150.2 Planning decisions

ZB23/01806/MRC - Green Bank Farm Green Balk - Modification of condition 2 (Plans) from previously approved application 22/02005/FUL-Demolition of two dwellings and construction of single replacement dwelling and various landscaping works - approved.

23.151 VILLAGE MATTERS

23.151.1 Village Green application - Cllr Eldabe reminded that the previous application submitted had been withdrawn. She had researched and found two forms which could be completed to progress this matter. She suggested that the form be completed asking for a change on the register to state that when the land was given in 1961 this should have been listed as a Village Green not just public space. **RESOLVED:** Cllr Eldabe to complete the form as suggested. **ACTION: Cllr Eldabe**

23.151.2 Tree Survey - At the November meeting there had been discussions with conflicting information. Councillors checked through the information in the original report and there was uncertainty which trees had been removed. **RESOLVED:** to request an individual tree health and safety report at a cost of £415.00. **ACTION: Clerk**

23.151.3 Works to Wainstones Wood - There had been no work commenced with the recent wet weather. Cllr Eldabe to make contact prior to the next meeting. **ACTION: Cllr Eldabe**

23.151.3 Grass cutting throughout the village – The Chair reminded that an update was still awaited from Cllr Towler who had taken on the task of identifying what was the responsibility of the Parish Council with North Yorkshire Council. She had informed at the November meeting of progressing a site visit. A decision on any additional works would be deferred until there was additional information. Grass at Hallgarth had been cut by the Parish Council for the past few months of the season, this was not a historic area maintained. There were potentially many pieces of grass that the Parish Council could maintain. **RESOLVED:** Councillors agreed that no additional areas were to be added to the areas to be cut. Councillors discussed the works completed by Steven Ward under the contract issued for this year. All agreed that they were happy with the work completed and the communications. The second year of the contract would continue.

23.151.4 Tees River Trust - No councillors had been available to attend the recent meeting, it was discussed that the focus had shifted from the whole river Leven to mini projects and Great and Little Broughton had been linked with Great Ayton. There had been some communication with the meeting organiser and Cllr Eldabe had been discussing a site visit with Ben Lamb. **RESOLVED:** Cllr Eldabe to progress meeting for 9th January 2024. The Chair suggested that an educational board could be a good idea by the river. **ACTION: Cllr Eldabe**

23.151.5 Christmas update - All agreed that the tree looked good, and the works by the Parish Council to support a better tree in the village had been successful. The Chair commented on the need to change the timer on the lights to have these lit during the day. **ACTION: Chair**

23.151.6 CCTV to discuss the possibility of additional units in the village - Despite advertising the discussion on the noticeboard there had been no comments received and no residents present at the meeting. If the Parish Council purchased/achieved funding for the machine, North Yorkshire Council had confirmed that they would manage the machine. Councillors discussed the usefulness and lack of other CCTV except the one on the road from Stokesley. It was agreed that this could support the police with any crimes. **RESOLVED:** If funding could be found this should be progressed. Cllr Griffiths to inform the Community Safety Hub coordinator of discussions.

23.151.7 Speeding in the village – Information from the speed tubes had been circulated, the Chair commented that the test had been during the week with snow which would have reduced traffic some of the time, he had questioned the use of having this repeated during lighter nights and been informed that this wasn't advised. Councillors discussed that the results showed that the majority were below the speed limit and a 20mph limit at the school entrance was suggested, the school could be questioned on their support and a poll could be completed at the school gates. **RESOLVED:** to further progress in the New Year.

23.152 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

23.152.1 Dog bins in the village – Awaiting installation.

23.153 DEVELOP FUTURE PLANS / PROJECTS

23.153.1 To look at future spending of recent bequest and CIL payment – Councillors discussed that no immediate needs had been identified, but discussed progressing a bench and small tree in the play park. Information from the tree survey was awaited first in case there was the need for tree planting.

23.154 PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT AND ROTA

It was confirmed that Cllr Towler was completing checks during December and Cllr Eldabe would complete checks in January followed by Cllr Williamson in February.

23.155 CORRESPONDENCE TO DISCUSS

For information - Registration of new property rear of 81-83 High Street – Longstead farm.

23.156 FINANCIAL MATTERS

23.156.1 Financial Report – The Clerk gave information on the financial position which was approved by the Parish Council. Payments from account:- Clerks salary. To approve: North Yorkshire Council grit bin replenish £90, S Ward Grass cutting £ 5455.00. Invoice for Christmas tree - Poole Resources £100.

23.156.2 To approve donations – 2022-23 donations to Great Broughton Village Hall £750 and The Globe £200. Councillors approved these amounts for donations for 2023-2024.

23.156.3 Budget/Precept - Councillors discussed budget requirements and looked at spending in the current year. The Chair informed of comparative councils precepts and of the very low figure for Great and Little Broughton. It was acknowledged that with a higher precept the Parish Council could offer more to the village infrastructure etc. It was agreed that in recent years the inflation rises had not been followed. **RESOLVED:** To enable the Parish Council to cover inflation, additional costs for tree works, defibrillator costs to support the village hall and to look at projects such as the CCTV, additional defibrillator, play park bark, planters, fencing etc it was agreed that a precept of £22,500 would be requested. **ACTION: Clerk**

23.157 COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS - Cllr Griffiths informed of changes in the council and work by the boundary commission looking at the divisions/wards. The Chair asked that Cllr Griffiths was mindful of the planning applications of concern to the Parish Council.

23.158 CO-OPTION OF NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR - There had still been no interest.

23.159 MEETING DATES FOR 2024

Date of next meeting - 8th January, 12th Feb, 11th March, 8th April (to include the Parish meeting), 13th May upstairs room, 10th June, 8th July, 9th Sept, 14th Oct upstairs, 11th Nov and 9th December upstairs.

Councillors stated their condolences to the family of David Ashton and gratitude for his work for the community over many years.

Adopted: _____ Date: _____

Chair of Great and Little Broughton Parish Council