

Beswick Parish Council

Meeting of the Council held at 7 pm on Wednesday, 13 November 2019 at Kilnwick Village Hall

MINUTES

1 Apologies for Absence:

None.

Present:

Cllr Reid (Chair), Cllrs Quinn, Beddows, Lee and Scaife, Julia Bugg (Clerk), Ward Cllrs Beaumont and Greenwood and 3 parishioners.

2 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests:

None.

3 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2019 were agreed as an accurate record.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

8 Siding Out the C59 Roadside Footpath between Tibby Lane and Kilnwick Lodges:

Clerk reported that she had submitted the request using the required on-line form but to date had not had a response.

9 Ørsted Hornsea Four Windfarm Community Consultation:

Cllr Reid noted that he had raised 3 points when participating in the consultation:

1. That the C roads and connecting routes affected need to be kept open to allow access.
2. That the Restoration Commitment should be 7 years in order to make good any issues caused by subsidence.
3. That the storage areas in Watton and Lockington would mean that there would be an increase in HGVs on narrow county roads. Also, that although Ørsted intends to run a one-way system for vehicles, they do in fact propose to run the vehicles in the opposite direction to the one used by Blue Keld.

Cllr Reid had attended the consultation meeting in Cottingham in 24 September and will also be present at the next meeting on 26 November which will mark the end of the consultation process. He added that it was his opinion that Ørsted is handling the process well.

11.3 Bank Account Change:

Cllr Reid reported that the new bank account is now set up and allows 2 years free banking prior to imposing charges. It was agreed that the time would be used to investigate other bank accounts with HSBC which offer permanent free banking to PCs. It was noted that there are now 4 signatories to the account; Cllrs Reid, Scaife, Beddows and Quinn.

12.2 Community Speedwatch:

The Clerk was unable to report any progress and noted that it is unlikely that she is likely to do so in the short/medium term. Following discussion, it was unclear when the last traffic census took place in the village and it was agreed that the Clerk would attempt to confirm the actual date in time for the next meeting. It was noted that a village on the south bank had only waited 16 weeks from application to actually having their Speedwatch, which didn't seem right.

13 BPC Emergency Plan:

The meeting agreed that the BPC Emergency Plan had been amended as requested. A printed copy was provided to be retained in the Village Hall and another with Cllr Reid. An electronic version was to be sent to ERYC as well as to Cllr Reid and placed on the website.

6 Planning Applications:

- 6.1 Ref: 19/01704/PLF - Erection of a detached dwelling:** Land East of 15 School Lane Kilnwick. Cllr Reid reported that the Planning Committee had visited the site in October prior to **Approving** the application. Discussion took place regarding this decision and the fact that it was in direct opposition to the views of the PC and many Kilnwick residents. A decision of this ilk may result in future applications as a precedent has been set. Cllr Reid felt that the 14-page report produced by Planning was an attempt to justify their decision and that a decision had in fact been made prior to the site visit though Cllr Lee noted that the reports are generally lengthy. Ward Cllr Beaumont gave his personal views on the result of the application. Ward Cllr Greenwood added that a bungalow would have been a better option and that planning rules are being ignored as rulings are being made by officers who don't agree with Cllrs. She added that she is exasperated by officers.
- 6.2 Ref: 19/03251/TCA - BESWICK CONSERVATION AREA: Fell Silver Birch (T1) due to it outgrowing its location between two properties and it is also block out sunlight to the front of the property:** Llamedos 53 Main Street Beswick East Riding of Yorkshire YO25 9AS. **Approved** - fell offending Silver Birch.
- 6.3 Ref: 19/03171/PLF - Erection of a single storey extension to side:** Woodford House 37 Main Street Kilnwick East Riding of Yorkshire YO25 9JD. **Approved** - PC in agreement.

7 Costs to BPC of Providing Street Lighting:

Cllr Lee reported that the task of replacing the luminaires has now been completed before he and Cllr Quin went on to give a presentation pertaining to the cost of street lighting in neighbouring villages. Cllr Quinn reported that BPC is one of the villages making payment for its street lighting. Watton and Middleton on the Wolds pay nothing, Bainton £599.41, Lund hasn't published its details and Hutton Cranswick's website was down during the research process. Etton makes a more substantial payment of £2518.32. Discussion took place with regard to this matter with Cllr Lee detailing the costs in Kilnwick and Beswick per lamp. The Clerk reported that the SLA for 2019-20 had been received shortly before the meeting and was therefore on the Agenda for discussion.

Following extensive discussion, it was agreed that it was unclear what ERYC actually does for the SLA it charges each year. Cllr Reid mused the option to ask Ward Cllrs Beaumont and Greenwood to take up the fight on behalf of BPC. Cllr Lee added that as the villages have very few services - Kilnwick doesn't even have a bus, this is a substantial burden. Ward Cllr Beaumont requested that costs and comparisons be emailed to both himself and Cllr Greenwood and suggested that Street Scene be contacted and a meeting set up to discuss the issue. Cllr Reid noted that a Freedom of Information Request could be submitted to ERYC asking for a comparison of all village and the work undertaken for these charges. It was agreed that the aim was to reduce the charges substantially - possible to nil.

Cllr Reid proposed that BPC write to Dave Williams and ask:

1. Which parishes have street lights?
2. How many of the parishes with streetlights are charged (pay SLA)?
3. How much does each of these parishes pay?

It was agreed to contact Paul Bellotti with these questions and copy the request to all 3 Ward Cllrs prior to starting a FoI request. It was also agreed that payment of the current SLA would not be made at this time.

8 Parking on Main St and Church Lane, Kilnwick:

Cllr Reid reported on the Open Meeting and subsequent meeting of the Trustees and the AGM of The Park, Kilnwick. It was noted that the Trustees had decided to remove The Park's Facebook page but retain the website, explore the idea of a car park off the C59 and temporarily remove the portaloo. Cllr Reid reported that the Open Meeting had been reasonably ordered but that quantification had been missing. Deliberation of the Trustees decisions took place with Cllr Beddows noting that The Park does not advertise and that the website is not an advertising medium but a timeline of its existence. Cllr Lee added that it is a whole community project which has seen huge effort from EB to secure grants, 1000 trees planted and is a fabulous

assess for the village. However, it draws people to use it, which isn't what was expected, who arrive in cars and park in the village meaning continuous movement of cars in the summer months.

Following extensive discussion, it was agreed that:

- Cllrs agreed to the removal of the Facebook page and retention of the website
- Cllrs were divided on the issue of the toilet; Trustees to make a proposal
- Cllrs unable to support the idea of parking (other than disabled) on The Park but will await the planning application prior to making a decision as there may be other options for access.
- Cllrs unanimously oppose the installation of double yellow lines

It was agreed that a letter be written to Debbie Sellers, the new Secretary to The Park, indicating the views of BPC at this time.

9 Tuesday Club:

The following meeting schedule was agreed - The Clerk to book the Village Hall:

Nov 26 2019
Jan 28 2020
Feb 25 2020
March 31 2020
Apr 28 2020
May 26 2020
Jun 30 2020
Jul 28 2020
Sept 29 2020
Oct 27 2020

Cllrs Lee and Reid to act as speakers during the coming year.

10 The Clerk:

Cllr Reid proposed that the annual review of performance and remuneration will be considered at the January 2020 Meeting of Council. This was agreed.

11 Review of Allowances:

Cllr Reid introduced the Consultation regarding the payment of allowances to Parish Councillors. Discussion took place and it was agreed that all Cllrs do not wish to receive remuneration for the role of Parish Councillor. Clerk to feedback to ERYC.

12 Finance:

12.1 Payments:

Confirmation and payment of required payments.

ERYC SLA - street lights 04/2019-03/2020 - £1608.56 **Defer to January Meeting.**

Zurich Insurance - Renewal of policy - £334.56 **Make payment.**

12.2 Finance Report:

Clerk reported the current financial situation.

13 Rough Sleepers:

Clerk requested that Councillors report known rough sleepers in the Parish on the night of Tuesday 19 to 20 November 2019 to her in order to be able to feedback to ERYC.

14 AOB: *Items arising under AOB cannot be resolved if they involve expenditure or commit the Council to a course of action but will appear on the next Agenda.*

14.1 Update on Street Lighting:

Cllr Quinn reported that following the completion of the work, Salix would be informed that this was the case. Payments of £250 would be made in March and October each year for 5 years.

14.2 Condolences:

BPC wishes to extend its condolences to Maurice Robson and family on the loss of Jill.

14.3 Thanks:

Cllr Reid thanked Ward Cllr Greenwood for supporting the PC during the planning process for School Lane and to all Ward Cllrs for their backing. The failure of ERYC Planning to consider the objections of Parishes is a concern and a recurrent issue, which has been raised by other Parish Councils in the past. Cllr Reid also noted that local knowledge is not being used and that ERYC may be subject to a judicial review if it does not follow its own procedures.

14.4 Request for Support:

Ward Cllr Greenwood requested support from all to object to a proposed BP petrol station and Marks and Spencer store at Killingwold Graves roundabout in a bid to support the retention of the local village shops in the area.

Date of Next Meeting:

8 January 2020

Meeting Closed at 8.30 pm.