

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIGHILL PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE WHITE SWAN WIGHILL ON 3 DECEMBER 2024

Present:

Councillors: Mr A Hamilton, Mr J Garside, Mrs D Spry, Mrs L Richardson, Mrs A Ward

Mr L T I Grant (Clerk/RFO)

2 Members of the Public attended

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| 1. | <u>Apologies for Absence</u> None received |
| 2. | <u>Public Questions and Statements</u> None received Members of the public present at the meeting, wished to comment on the latest Planning Application for Ainsty Farm. Many local residents were again unaware of the details of the Application, as the green notice at the property had been quickly removed. The Planning Application had been circulated to the Parish Council, whilst the Clerk had been out of the country on holiday at the time and suffered a failure of digital equipment. As a result, the Application had not been circulated to Cllrs for comment and a meeting of the PC instigated. The Clerk apologised for this omission. Cllrs were concerned that all contact with the PC was through the Clerk and discussed alternative future arrangement. |
| 5. | <u>Matters Arising from the minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd May 2024</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2024 were approved as a true record by all Councillors present with no abstentions. |
| 5.1 | Highway Matters Complaints had been received about the speed of traffic leaving Church Lane and entering the bend to Main Street, where the white lines had deteriorated. In addition, cars are being parked close to the bend causing difficulties for through traffic. The Clerk was asked to draw the attention of PC Olesqui to this issue. A further complaint was received that marshals for annual Tadcaster run, were attempting to stop local residents travelling to properties in Wighill, although no formal 'Road Closure Notice' had been requested for the event. The Clerk agreed to seek the help of the County Councillor in addressing this problem |
| 6. | <u>Police Matters</u> No issues were raised |

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| 7. | <u>Financial Matters</u> |
| 7.1 | Funds Received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None received |
| 7.2 | Bank Balance The NatWest bank account balance at 31 October 2024 was £6,137.27 A copy of the bank statement had been circulated previously to all Cllrs. There were no comments or queries about the Bank Account. |
| 7.3 | Invoice received and to be paid by email approval of Cllrs Flowers had been purchased and the Invoices will be circulated to the Clerk/RFO for payment. All Cllrs present without abstention approved the Payment of the invoice. |
| 7.4 | 2025-2026 Budget and Precept Calculation The budget had been agreed at £5,000 and the precept request submitted to NYC |
| 7.5 | Clerk's Salary The Clerk confirmed that he will pay his annual salary and expenses at the end of the financial year. All Cllrs present without abstention, confirmed that they were in agreement with this arrangement. |
| 8. | <u>Planning and Related Matters</u> |
| 8.1 | Planning Applications received and to be determined. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None received |
| 8.2 | Planning Applications received and to be determined. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None available for determination (see item 2) |
| 8.3 | Planning Decisions Notified <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None received |
| 8.4 | Planning Enforcement. Complaints continue to be received about car sales from Brook Hall Farm, where the Enforcement Officer had previously had previously addressed an earlier complaint. The Clerk was asked to circulate the report from the Enforcement Officer and make further representations to the to him about an apparent escalation in the local activities at the property. |
| 9. | <u>PC Administration</u> |
| 9.1 | Highway Grass Verge maintenance in Wighill. It was confirmed that the local residents who had undertaken the maintenance works previously, had retired and no one else had volunteered to carry out the work. NYC are still undertaking maintenance of visibility splays opposite the Church a limited number of times each year. |

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| 9.2 | <p>Newsletter Wighill</p> <p>A local resident had undertaken the work of analysing the survey returns and had presented a summary of the points raised. After discussion, Cllrs agreed to meet informally to prepare the first newsletter for printing and circulation. It was agreed that the first newsletter would be distributed in the new year to all properties</p> |
| 10 | <p>Councillors Business Items for the next Meeting</p> <p>The Parish Council has held few meeting during 2024. It was agreed to confirm fixed dates for future meeting in 2025</p> |
| | <p><u>Next Meeting</u></p> <p>6 February 2025</p> |

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