

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIGHILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE WHITE SWAN WIGHILL ON 17 APRIL 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)

County Councillor: Mr A Paraskos

9 Members of the Public attended

1.	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>None received</p>
2.	<p><u>Public Questions and Statements</u></p> <p>None received</p> <p>Members of the public present at the meeting, wished to comment on the Planning Application for College Farm which had been received by the Parish Council.</p> <p>The Planning Officer's attention had been drawn to the late installation of the green site notice by the Clerk, advising local residents of the Planning Application. The Planning Officer had been dismissive of this complaint and had implied that the installation of the green notice was an ancillary process to the Parish Council's determination of the Application.</p> <p>Many local residents were still unaware of the details of the Application. Cllrs agreed to contact local residents individually and make them aware of the scale of the proposed development.</p>
3.	<p><u>Matters Arising from the minutes of the Meeting held on 27 March 2024</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 27 March 2024 were approved as a true record by all Councillors present with no abstentions.</p> <p>The limited action had been taken by NYC Highways to repair some, but not all, footpath surface defects had still left potholes which were a danger to those older residents with restricted vision. County Cllrs Mr A Paraskos will contact Area ^ and make them aware of the Health and Safety issue</p>
4	<p><u>Police Matters</u></p> <p>PC Olesqui had been invited to the meeting, but was not in attendance.</p>
5.	<p><u>Financial Matters</u></p>
5.1	<p>Funds Received</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None received <p>The annual precept should be received at the end of April 2024.</p>
5.2	<p>Bank Balance</p> <p>The NatWest bank account balance at 31 March 2024 was £1,815.60</p> <p>A copy of the bank statement had been circulated previously to all Cllrs. There were no comments or queries about the Bank Account.</p>
5.3	<p>Invoice received and paid by email approval of Cllrs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rainflorist Wetherby £40.00. <p>All Cllrs present without abstention approved the Payment of the invoice.</p>

6.	<u>Planning and Related Matters</u>
6.1	<p>Planning Applications received and to be determined.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1 The Mont Wighill – single storey rear extension and Fenestration Alterations. <p>After discussion, Cllrs agreed to instruct The Clerk to respond: (D) The Parish Council supports the Application.</p>
6.1	<p>Planning Applications received and to be determined.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Collage Farm Wighill -Erection of domestic store, garage and workshop. <p>After extensive discussion, all Cllrs present without abstention agreed to instruct the Clerk to respond: (B)The Parish Council Objects on the following planning grounds: The scale of the proposed storage building which is submitted as a ‘householder development’ is incorrectly described. The proposal is an over development of the site by the nature of its scale and represents a change of use from domestic to industrial. A 2 storey industrial unit as proposed is inappropriate in a small rural village and is out of character with adjacent properties. It will cause a loss of amenity to adjacent properties by the nature of its scale and will adversely affect the street scene for those local residents who currently enjoy the tranquillity of the Village, which is classified as in ‘Open countryside’. The Planning Application is proposing development to the rear of the existing property in an area which has previously been defined by Planning Officers as Open Countryside (Core Strategy Policy SG3 applies), for which Planning Consent cannot be granted. The Parish Councillors have studied and agree with all the objections produced by Bradley Stankler Planning on behalf of J & M Simms, which was submitted to North Yorkshire Council’s Planners and is recorded on the northyorks.gov.uk Website on 10 April 2024 The scale of the proposed Industrial sized garage/unit is such that it will reduce the existing ‘right to light’ which the adjacent properties has acquired for more than 20 years, as defined in the Preservation Act 1832.</p>
6.2	<p>Planning Decisions Notified</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None received
6.3	<p>Planning Enforcement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None Received
7.	<u>PC Administration</u>
7.1	<p>Adoption of Annual Accounts</p> <p>All Cllrs present without abstention agreed to adopt the Annual Accounts as circulated</p>
7.2	<p>Adoption of Financial Risk Assessment</p> <p>All Cllrs present without abstention agreed to adopt the updated Financial Risk Assessment as circulated</p>
7.3	<p>Adoption of Updated Asset Register and Asset Risk Assessments</p> <p>All Cllrs present without abstention agreed to adopt the updated Asset Register and Asset Risk Assessments as circulated</p>
7.4	<p>Defibrillator Maintenance</p> <p>Replacement Defibrillator Pads are required for juveniles, as the current pads expire in May 2024</p>
7.5	<p>Parish Questionnaire Update</p> <p>Cllrs agreed that a common comment on replies to the questionnaire , was the need for a Village newsletter. Cllrs agreed to meet and produce a simple newsletter for circulation as a first issue to gauge interest in its production.</p>

10	<u>Councillors Business Items for the next Meeting</u>
	<u>Next Meeting</u> Annual meeting to be held on 22 May 2024 at 7.00pm in the White Swan

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