KIRKBY OVERBLOW PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 21 March 2022 at All Saints Church, Kirkby Overblow

Present: Councillor D Yeadon (Chairman), Cllrs R Denwood, P Perry, J Cross, A Whiteley and S Snowden. In attendance: Mr M Richards (Clerk), Cllr C Trotter (NYCC), Cllr A Paraskos (HBC) and 2 residents.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence as all councillors were present

- 2. Members' Declaration of Interest None
- 3. <u>To receive and if thought fit, approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 17 January 2022</u>

Resolved: That the minutes of the Meeting be approved as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Denwood, seconded by Cllr Perry. The Chairman then signed the minutes.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting

Dealt with as part of the agenda.

5. Questions from the Public

None.

6. Planning Matters

Applications

(a) 22/00975/FUL: Conversion of detached outbuilding into residential annexe Moor End Moor End Farm Dunkeswick.

The Chairman observed that this was a re-submission of an application originally made 3 years ago. He suggested that the Parish Council's response should be the same as previously recorded, ie NO OBJECTION. Councillors agreed.

- (b) 22/00556/DVCON Variation of conditions 2 (approved drawings) of planning permission 20/01631/FUL to allow erection of single storey rear extension, canopy and car port and alterations to windows and doors to Plot 4 dwelling. The Depot, Weeton Lane, Weeton. The Chairman reminded councillors that there had been a previous application to change the original 2–bedroom, single storey bungalow to a 2-storey house. That application had been refused. The current application is merely an increase in the size of the bungalow. Councillors agreed NO OBJECTION.
- (c) 22/00750/FUL Erection of single storey rear extension, addition of steps, addition of roof canopy over entrance, alteration to fenestration and external materials. Penryn, Orchard Lane.

The Chairman ran through the details of the application, explaining that prior approval for an extension had been granted but these additional items meant a .FUL application was now needed. Councillors discussed and agreed that as the works were not really visible or obtrusive to neighbours, the response would be NO OBJECTION.

(d) 22/01061/FUL Proposed demolition of existing single storey side extension and the erection of a new single storey side extension Walton Head Farm. Princess Royal Way, Pannal. The Chairman explained that a previous application had been refused but he could see no reason to object to this revised scheme for a single storey extension and councillors agreed to a NO OBJECTION response.

Decisions

- (d) PBR 22/00146/PBR Prior notification for conversion of agricultural buildings to form 3 Dwellings Lane End Farm Dunkeswick Lane APPROVED
- (e) 21/01884/FUL and 21/01885/LB Energy Building, swimming pool, glazed extension etc. Low Snape Farm

GRANTED

Notifications

(f) 21/05299/FUL - Partial change of use of paddock to holiday accommodation with the siting of two holiday huts and the erection of one storage building. Shoulder Of Mutton Inn, Follifoot Lane.

WITHDRAWN

Councillors noted the above.

Other

- (g) Appeal responses Walton Head Lane. Councillors again noted the volume of objections submitted and were pleased to note that the School had also formally notified the Inspector, distancing itself from the application and involvement with the Learning Resource Centre.
- (h) Kirkby Meadows decision resident complaint. Councillors noted the substance of the complaint. Cllr Paraskos informed the Council that this had now been registered as a "Level 2 complaint" and would be responded to by an officer from the Chief Executive Officer's office, rather than the Planning Department.
- (i) 21/04222/FUL. Healthwaite Hall, Green Lane, Weeton. Erection of agricultural storage building. 21/00082/NREFPP. Appeal dismissed.
- (j) Appeal 21/00604/PNA. Field 8262 south of Harefield House, Swindon Lane. Erection of agricultural storage building. 21/00074/REFPP. Appeal dismissed.

Councillors noted the outcome of the two appeals and expressed satisfaction that the Parish Council's submissions had been accepted by the Inspector. The Chairman was concerned however, that the Parish Council had not been formally notified of the decisions. The clerk will raise with HBC.

7. Accounts & Services

(a) Councillors **approved** the receipts and payments statement covering the period 17 January to 21 March, with the bank reconciliation, circulated previously – 6 payments below approved.

M Richards Jan Salary	198.96
HMRC – PAYE	£45.24
M Richards Feb salary £	198.96
HMRC – PAYE	£45.24
KO PCC – church hire	£20.00
Bank charges – 2 months	£10.00

- (b) 2022-23 Draft budget. The clerk had circulated the draft budget statement, based on the figures included in the precept demand. Councillors indicated their agreement and the budget statement was approved.
- (c) Banking arrangements. The clerk confirmed that Lloyds Bank is currently offering free banking services for parish councils. However, from experience elsewhere, he was concerned that the switching process could be problematic

and lengthy. In addition, there was no guarantee that, in time, Lloyds would not follow the lead of other banks and initiate charges. Councillors concurred and it was agreed to remain with HBC for the time being.

8. Parish Matters

- (a) Star and Garter update. It was confirmed that the Star and Garter Working Group has now been set up as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and has been registered with the Charity Commission, to be known as The Kirkby Overblow Community Hub. Further negotiations with the owner of the building have not taken place and councillors expressed concern at the continuing dilapidation of the property and the owner's seeming recalcitrance to move forward to a conclusion of whatever nature.
- (b) Playground/play equipment. It is understood that HBC is now seeking tenders from three playground equipment suppliers for supply and installation of the play equipment. October half term is the target date for completion.
- (c) Swindon Lane flooding unfortunately the new Highways Officer at NYCC who had been very helpful and proactive in pursuing this issue has left and is yet to be replaced. The owner of the house at St Helen's which is from where the flooding stems, does not accept any responsibility. NYCC are still investigating and Cllr Paraskos undertook to monitor the position and keep the PC informed.
- (d) Grass cutting contract. The current contractor had submitted a quotation with a 7% increase over the current rate (which is below the expected rate of inflation for the year) Councillors voted to accept the quotation for a further year but would seek additional quotations for 2023.
- (e) HBC bulb scheme. Councillors agreed to request a supply of crocus bulbs. The clerk will place the order.
- (f) Annual Village Litter Pick. Date set for 10th April, meeting at 10.30 outside the school. The clerk will arrange with HBC for the supply of equipment etc.
- (f) Parish welcome pack. Some minor changes have been made to Cllr Cross's draft. When a contribution is received from the school, Cllr Cross will finalise and hand out to newcomers.
- (g) Cllr Cross had received complaints about traffic (particularly cyclists!) speeding down Follifoot Lane, past Brig Hall. A resident had queried what had been done by the Parish Council to address this issue. Cllr Cross will respond, setting out all the action taken by the Parish Council in the past two years.

9. <u>Dunkeswick Matters</u>

Cllr Snowden reported that during the recent storms and high winds, a tree on Old Road (the location of the previous complaints about blocking out the light to the Stables) had fallen and blocked the road. Emergency Services had responded quickly and the tree was removed. It was felt this occurrence should serve as a good indicator of the tree maintenance required. Cllr Paraskos agreed to follow up.

10.

School matters

Cllr Denwood indicated that there were no current school matters to report other than the Headteacher was again on long term sick leave. She was pleased to note that the school had responded to the Walton Head Lane application, refuting the fact that the school had been contacted and was in favour of the LRC initiative. Councillors noted the above.

11. <u>Village events</u>

- (a) Councillor Denwood mentioned the success of the recent "Bake-Off" Event, held at the church. Over 150 residents had attended and some £2500 was raised which will go to the Ukrainian appeal.
- (b) Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Three separate events are planned:-
 - the lighting of the beacon at 21.45, followed by a BBQ, on 2 June
 - a "horseracing" event at the Stables Bar, on Saturday 4 June
 - a B-Y-O picnic on the road adjacent to the Star and Garter

An application is being made to the HBC Jubilee Celebrations Grant Fund for expenses on entertainment items and decorations. The purchase and erection of a flagpole (plus flag) is also being considered, as a legacy item. The clerk will check whether planning permission is required.

12. Other

- (a) Cllr Trotter informed councillors that this would be his last meeting as he was retiring after 28 years, with NYCC and HBC. In that time he had occupied many different roles, including Leader of the County Council, Mayor of Harrogate, as well as being Chair of many different committees. He was now, however, becoming increasingly frustrated at the difficulty in achieving action on, for example, highways projects, and felt now was the right time to retire. The Chairman thanked Cllr Trotter, on behalf of the Parish Council, for the many examples of help and advice he had given on various issues, but particularly with regard to Highways. He wished him well for the future and extended an open invitation for him to attend future meetings should he so wish.
- (b) This would also be Cllr Denwood's last meeting as she had moved out of the Parish and would no longer be eligible to stand as a councillor. The Chairman thanked Ruth for her support and help ever since her first election to the Council in May 2004. Her efforts and contributions, especially in liaising with the school, have been much appreciated and she will be sorely missed.

There being no other business, the meeting finished at 10.10pm.

Date of next meeting Monday 16 May 2022, at All Saints' Church, commencing at 8.00pm. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting, commencing at 7.30pm