# KIRKBY OVERBLOW PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 16 January 2023 at All Saints Church, Kirkby Overblow

Present: Councillors D Yeadon, J Cross, A Whiteley, P Perry, S Jacobs, and S Snowden.

In attendance: Mr M Richards (Clerk)

# 1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A Paraskos (NYCC/HBC)

- 2. Members' Declaration of Interests There were no declarations of interest for the meeting.
- 3. To receive and if thought fit, approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2022. Resolved: That the minutes of the Meetings be approved as a correct record. Proposed by Cllr Perry, seconded by Cllr Whiteley. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
- 4. Matters arising from the minutes.

Dealt with as part of the agenda.

- 5. Questions from the public. None.
- 6. Planning matters

## **Applications**

- (a) 23/00080/FUL Proposed dormer extension to rear of property. Keld Cottage, Follifoot Lane. This is a resubmission of a previous application. Councillors could see no reason to object although the previous application had been refused by HBC. A NO OBJECTION response was agreed.
- (b) 22/04910/FUL Erection of agricultural storage building. Healthwaite Hall, Green Lane, Weeton. This also was a resubmission following a previous refusal. There seemed to be only a slight difference compared to the original and councillors still considered that the 8 acres of land to be farmed did not warrant a building of this size. The Chairman will visit the site but the initial view, agreed by councillors, is likely to be an OBJECT response, based on the size of the building and inappropriate development in the Green Belt.

## **Decisions**

- (c) 21/05301/FUL Erection of a net zero/ carbon negative replacement farmhouse with solar panels, ground source heat pump, mechanical ventilation with heat recovery and battery storage; Demolition of 2 no. barns; Conversion of 1 no. Barn to domestic accommodation; Installation of new orchard; Landscaping and habitat creation. Swindon Bank Farm, Swindon Lane. REFUSED. Councillors were somewhat surprised at this decision but noted that it was based on the omission of technical details regarding land contamination and drainage, in the application.
- (d) 22/02983/FUL Erection of agricultural workers dwelling. Dunkeswick Lodge, Dunkeswick Lane, Weeton, PERMITTED.
- Noted the Chairman commented that he would like to think that the positive support offered by the Parish Council had been a factor in this approval (when the previous identical application had been refused)
- (e) 22/03582/FUL Conversion of barn to form dwelling. Moor End Farm, Dunkeswick. PERMITTED.
- (f) 22/04282/TPO Proposed works to tree subject to Tree Preservation Order T1 44/1998. 1 no Prunus Fell and replace it with a Crataegus 'Pauls Scarlet'. Outgrown its position and starting to show signs of failing health. Die back in the top of the canopy and a large canker lesion into main trunk. The Orchard, Follifoot Lane. PERMITTED.

Councillors noted the above two decisions.

## Other

(g) 22/04877/TCON for felling of two sycamore trees, All Saints School. Noted that this has been approved – no consultation letter provided to clerk. Although the application had not been submitted by the school, Cllr Whiteley confirmed that they had been consulted. Councillors noted but had no comments.

#### 7. Finance

(a) Approval of Receipts & Payments since 21 November meeting.

M Richards Dec salary £219.58 HMRC - PAYE £50.40 M Richards Nov salary £219.58 HMRC - PAYE £50.40 Bank charges £10.00

Councillors approved the schedule of payments above, in the period 21 November - 16 January. and the Chairman initialled the schedule in authorisation. 2 councillors then countersigned the individual authorisation sheets.

b) Bank reconciliation

The bank reconciliation was accepted as a true record of the Council's financial position.

c) 2023-24 precept. The clerk confirmed that the precept demand had been accepted by HBC.

#### 8. Parish Matters

- (a) Star and Garter. No further progress.
- (b) HBC litter bin consultation. The clerk has confirmed that the location of the new bins has been agreed by HBC and installation will be completed by the end of February.
- (c) Faulty streetlight Barrowby Lane. This has been reported several times to HBC and action promised. Unfortunately however, no repairs have been carried out and a potentially hazardous situation still exists. The clerk will urgently raise the matter again with Cllr Paraskos.
- (d) Warning signs A658/Follifoot Lane Junction. The missing reflective marker posts on both sides of the junction have now been replaced.
- (e) Cllr Cross reported that there were a number of issues at Wharfe View requiring attention a deep pothole, the damaged "Wharfe View" sign, and the collapsed litter bin. The clerk will report all to NYCC.

## 9. Dunkeswick Matters

Cllr Snowden had no new issues to report. He noted that the last house on the "Depot" development was now under construction.

## 10.School

Cllr Whiteley reported that pupil numbers were down to 73, with an intake of 5 only. Noted that there were no siblings in this number. Apparently, some parents had commented about the lack of pre and post school clubs and this may have been a factor.

The school is hoping to replace the dilapidated Learning Resource Centre but an initial application for a grant of £35,000 has been refused. Fundraising so far has raised some £5500, and it is hoped to resubmit a grant application. The Chairman observed that the Parish Council was not really in a position to offer a donation but this could possibly be reconsidered at a later date. Finally, Cllr Whiteley reported that the school was looking to identify an individual from within the Parish, to act as a Foundation Governor. It is hoped that with such a local appointment, the individual will be better able to represent the school and identify its needs.

# 11. Village Events

KODS performance of the much vaunted "Calendar Girls was very successful with all four nights sold out.

Note for diaries – Village Clay Pigeon Shoot will be held on 10 June.

## 12. Any items for next meeting

Potential event(s) to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.

There being no other items, the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Date of next meeting - Monday 20 March 2023, commencing at 8.00pm.

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