

## **Appleby Parish Council**

**Minutes of the meeting of Appleby Parish Council held on Monday, the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2024 at Appleby Village Hall.**

**Meeting commenced:** 19:00

### **23/139 Record Of Councillors, Guests, And Speakers Who Are In Attendance**

Councillors Derek Hall (Vice-Chair), Wendy Marshall, Andrea Bradshaw, Rob Major, Terry Beisty.

North Lincolnshire Councillor Helen Rawson.

The Parish Council Clerk, Hannah Hepworth was in attendance.

Paul, Appleby's retired postman was in attendance

### **23/140 Apologies For Absence**

Councillor Longthorne and 2 Ward Cllrs

### **23/141 To Receive Declarations Of Interest And Approve Any Dispensations Required**

None

### **23/142 Public Participation**

Standing Orders were suspended. Paul was welcomed for and commended for his service of over 20 years as postman for Appleby and 37 years for Royal Mail. The chair acknowledged that Paul was not just a part of Royal Mail but a part of Appleby supporting at fayres, garden parties and having fully embraced and supported the village. Paul encompassed village life delivering the post but also was a 'volunteer care assistant' looking after more vulnerable residents and making sure they were ok, as well as making sure the dogs were all ok with plenty of treats. Paul has always proved reliable, cheery and trustworthy and Appleby Parish Council wish to celebrate his service to the village with the gifts and card presented.

### **23/143 To Receive And Approve The Minutes Of The Previous Meetings**

***It was noted that this was an ordinary meeting and not an extra ordinary meeting as stated in the agenda***

**Resolved:** The minutes of the Full Council Meeting on the 18 December 2023 were approved as a true record.

**Proposed:** Cllr Bradshaw

**Seconded:** Cllr Marshall

Unanimously agreed

**Resolved:** The minutes of the Extra Ordinary Council Meeting on the 9 January 2024 were approved as a true record.

**Proposed:** Cllr Beisty  
**Seconded:** Cllr Marshall  
Unanimously agreed

**Resolved:** The minutes of the Full Council Meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> of October, 2023 were approved as a true record.

**Proposed:** Cllr Marshall  
**Seconded:** Cllr Bradshaw  
Unanimously agreed

### **23/144 Chairman's Report**

Post Office –Post Lady was not here in December but was here on two occasions in January.

Fly-tipping – gratitude was given to Mr and Mrs Cross for clearing the village and collecting hundreds of bags of litter.

Pot Holes in Risby Road have been filled in.

Hedges – overgrown hedges and pavement parking spoils the look of the village. Eirmine Street has branches overhanging the road – this is also a safety issue as people have to walk on the road. NLC have taken photos and will either contact residents or do it themselves and bill residents.

**Resolved:** Clerk to minute this and for it to go in the newsletter

**Proposed:** Cllr Marshall

**Seconded:** Cllr Bradshaw Unanimously agreed

Planters are looking shabby and will need replacing in Spring / Summer

Bus stops – these are NLC responsibility. Church Lane is used and requires cleaning.

Beck Lane possibly is not used which could be removed.

Playing Field Lease ends in April 2024.

### **23/145 Parish Council Clerk's Report**

The Clerk has 4 archive boxes of historic Parish Council documents which have been archived.

**2022-2023 audit** – some potential issues have been identified which impact on 2023-2024.

2023-2024 finance for April 2023 – Nov 2023 is now the focus to ensure all is in order.

**23/146 Ward Cllrs Report: Heavy rainfall** Stanton and Appleby crossing flooded. No flooding to residents in Appleby flooded.

Governance Review on Parish Councils is taking place.

### **23/147 To Consider / Note Planning Applications**

No planning applications

### **23/148 Parish Update**

Fly-tipping Carr Lane reported. Address on it – reported to police.

Pot holes reported to Highways and marked up.

Hedges – to go in newsletter.

Memorial Bench – to go near war memorial on concrete plinth.

Waiting for signage on Eirmine Street – dragon's teeth are still in planning stage.

Footpath is in a shocking state from Garden Centre to Bus Stop. Sancton Lane has been neglected and it is an amenity which needs addressing.

Broadband – train tracks are proving to be an issue for this.

Santon – flooding at bridge for more than a week.

Defib – no progress on power source. Cllr Major to approach nearby garages. Clerk to investigate if these can be solar powered.

### **23/149 Correspondence for Discussion or Decision**

None

### **23/150 Correspondence for Information**

None

### **23/151 Responsible Financial Officer Reports**

**Resolved:** Scribe to be purchased for a further year.

**Proposed:** Cllr Bradshaw

**Seconded:** Cllr Beisty (unanimous)

**Resolved:** Payments authorised with Brigg Office one for Clerk to clarify if it has been paid and then pay if it hasn't. Clerk to apply for Sustainable Planting Grant

**Proposed:** Cllr Bradshaw

**Seconded:** Cllr Beisty (unanimous)

**Resolved:** 2.5% increase in precept from last year

**Proposed:** Cllr Bradshaw

**Seconded:** Cllr Beisty (unanimous)

**Resolved:** Hannah Hepworth to be added as signatory remove Michael Lewis as signatory.

**Proposed:** Cllr Bradshaw

**Seconded:** Cllr Beisty (unanimous)

**Resolved:** Banking address to be changed to Hannah Hepworth, Pond House, Clarkes Road DN40 3JQ and remove Michael Lewis' address

**Proposed:** Cllr Bradshaw

**Seconded:** Cllr Beisty (unanimous)

### **23/152 Proper Officer's Report**

The Parish Council has to have a Proper Officer. This is the point of contact for the Cllrs and Parishioners and all correspondence should go through the Proper Officer.

### **23/153 Playground Inspection**

The annual playground inspection was received

### **23/154 VE Grant**

Clerk to apply for the £250 grant with the view of Fish and Chips in Village Hall and lighting a beacon.

**23/155 Agenda Items for next full Council meeting and date and time of future meetings**

Agenda items to include grants and planters

**23/156 Exclusion of the Public and Press**

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended by Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A the Public and Press will be excluded from the following section of the meeting.  
Ward Councillor and Paul left the meeting

**23/157 Clerk Contract**

The Clerk's contract of employment was agreed and signed by both parties

Date and time of next meeting: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 7pm

Meeting finished 21:00