

Bilbrough Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of Bilbrough Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th March 2020
At 7.30pm in the Village Hall

64. Apologies and Declarations

Present: Cllrs Dawson (Chair), Phillips, Davison, Thackray, Barker, Noble, Warriner. Clerk.
Apologies: Cllr Richard Musgrave

65. Appointment of Clerk to the Parish Council

Karen Talbot-Reynard was appointed as Clerk to the Parish Council. It was agreed to keep the remuneration at its previous rate per quarter, to be reviewed in 6 months, and noted that it would be useful to keep a record of hours worked.

66. Public Session

One member of the public was present.

There was a general discussion around the Coronavirus. It was agreed that if anyone needs to self-isolate, they should contact a member of the Parish Council, with a view to support being provided, for example, with shopping. An emergency meeting of the Parish Council could be held if decisions need to be made.

67. Reports

- District Councillor /County Councillor
No report.
Cllr Davison has circulated a copy of the lease of the playing field.
It was agreed that it would be too onerous for Bilbrough to prepare its own local plan, and we should instead input into the new local plan that Selby are currently working on.
Action: Cllr Dawson to follow this up.
- Community Police /Neighbourhood report
No report.

68. Minutes of the last meeting

Proposed Cllr Phillips; Seconded Cllr Warriner. Accepted.

69. Matters Arising

None that will not be covered in the meeting.

70. Representative Reports:

- Village Hall (Cllr Noble)
No report as there had not yet been a meeting. It has been suggested that the Village Hall could be used as a “pop-up pub”, as the Three Hares is currently closed. An update will be given at the next meeting.
- Playing Field (Cllr Thackray)
The Friends of the Playing Field are planning to circulate a questionnaire about the future use of the facility. It was agreed that this should be wide-ranging and would be more appropriate to come from the Parish Council. There are concerns over encouraging users from outside the village, the impacts on neighbours, and the funding of any new equipment.

71. For Discussion:

- Report on public session from last meeting.
Highways have tidied the area at the back of the pub, sowing grass seed and putting up bollards. However, the cherry tree needs taking down. Planning permission is not required.
It was noted that the site at the end of Redhill Field Lane, near the A64, is still very untidy.
- *Bilbrough Broadcast:* The latest issue will be published by the end of March, to include details of the VE Day celebrations on 8th May, and a piece on speeding.
- *20 is Plenty/Community Speeding.*
The 6 signs and brackets will be attached shortly to existing signage around the village. Cllr Warriner has spoken to Bob Hoskins from the Fire Service. A camera cannot be set-up in Cat Lane, as this has been done in the last 3 years. It is therefore suggested putting up cameras in Redhill Field Lane and Back Lane. It was noted that it is difficult to obtain handheld speed cameras. Villagers can submit forms to the Traffic Bureau, giving details of speeding vehicles. Forms to be included in Bilbrough Broadcast.
Action: Cllrs Phillips and Warriner
- *Friends of the Playing Field*
Dealt with above
- *The Playing Field / Bark and equipment.*

The area around the play equipment has been measured. It needs weeding and topping up with bark, not replacing. Agreed to spend up to £600 on bark. The playing field is to be mown shortly.

Action: Cllr Davison to obtain quotes and order the bark.

- *VE Day 8th May 2020.*

There have been two meetings so far by reps from the PC, Village Hall and St James' Church, with a view to putting together a programme for the day. It was agreed that the Parish Council would spend up to £600 on expenses, such as Prosecco for the toast, games etc. The burger/sausage van idea had been discarded, as too expensive, and villagers are invited to bring their own food and drink to the playing field. A swing band has been suggested for the evening in the village hall, with villagers again to bring their own drink.

Action: Cllr Davison obtaining a quote for a band

- *Projects/activities requiring funding in the coming year.*

There is funding available for local projects and suggestions so far include having more bulbs, and planters around the village. There was a discussion around improving the appearance of Back Lane, for example, wooden reflective bollards could be purchased to protect the verges.

Action: Cllr Dawson to contact Highways to establish if permission is required.

It was suggested that the village joins in with the Great British Spring Clean, from 20th March, and picks up litter in the area. Equipment and high-vis clothing can be borrowed from Selby.

Action: Cllr Barker to co-ordinate

- *Replacement of defibrillator*

The cost of a new defibrillator is around £1,000. The batteries in the current defibrillator were changed a year ago and last around 2 years. These are becoming more expensive as the current unit is effectively obsolete. It was therefore agreed to consider a new defibrillator in 12 months time.

- *Fire and Rescue Service Consultation*

See comments under *20 is plenty* above.

- *The Three Hares*

It is possible to apply to have the pub listed as an Asset of Community Value with the Local Authority for a period of 5 years, meaning that it is considered to further the social interests or well-being of the local community, and restrictions may be placed on a potential sale. It was agreed that the Parish Council would support this.

Action: Cllr Noble to investigate submitting an application

72. For Information:

Post and Circulation of Letters. Useful publications, e.g. the White Rose Update from the YLCA, are to be forwarded where appropriate by the Clerk.

Action: Clerk

73. Planning

Applications for consideration

- Optimum Garage has submitted planning for illuminated signs on building. Not considered to impact the village.
- There have been several applications to cut down trees.

Applications Approved

Applications withdrawn/refused

- Temporary Planning consent for 6 containers to replace containers already in place by the chicken sheds at Bowland's Farm has been refused by Selby.

74. Clerks report, Finance, Income and precept

Finance report submitted and shows a healthy balance on the council funds.

It was noted that the notice boards outside the pub and playing field could do with replacing.

Action: Clerk to obtain quotes

Action: Clerk to update Selby DC with current councillors and clerk.

75. Agenda items for next meeting:

76. Date of next meeting

Annual Parish Meeting – Tuesday 12th May 7pm Village Hall

AGM - Tuesday 12th May 7.30pm Village Hall