

Bilbrough Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of Bilbrough Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th September 2020
At 7.30pm via an online zoom meeting

27. Apologies and Declarations

Present: Cllrs Dawson (Chair), Phillips, Thackray, Barker, Noble, Warriner.

Apologies: Cllr Davison, Cllr Richard Musgrave

In attendance: K Talbot-Reynard (Clerk)

28. Public Session

No members of the public joined the online meeting.

- Cllr Barker noted that the ordinary litter bins in the village are being used for dog waste, and suggested that notices be put up reminding dog owners to use the dog waste bins provided.

29. Reports

- District Councillor /County Councillor

No report as Cllr Musgrave was not able to attend the meeting.

- Community Police /Neighbourhood report

No report.

30. Minutes of the last meeting

Proposed Cllr Warriner; Seconded Cllr Noble. Accepted.

31. Matters Arising

- Playing field – ROSPA report. As the next review is due in September, any required improvements will be undertaken as a result of this latest report, once received. Cllr Thackray commented that the depth of bark around the play equipment seems sufficient at 10-15cm, but will await the recommendations from the ROSPA report.
- An email has been sent to the owner of Bilbrough Grange regarding the wall and verges around the property. No reply has yet been received but it is noted that the verges have been tidied up, which is appreciated. From next year, the Council agreed that these verges may be included in the work done by Moorland Garden Services.
- Cllr Davison has obtained quotes for a new defibrillator.
Action: Cllr Dawson to consider.
- The Clerk reported that John Rossington will refurbish the two notice boards in the autumn.
- The Clerk reported that no bids were received for the shed in the playing field. Cllr Davison has expressed an interest in the shed and the Council agreed that she could purchase it for a small contribution.

32. Representative Reports:

- Village Hall (Cllr Noble)
A risk assessment has been carried out and the hall is reopening for children’s dance classes. The hall has been redecorated and is looking much improved inside. Brian Bussell (Village Hall Treasurer) will contact Cllr Dawson regarding website costs.
- Playing Field (Cllr Thackray)
Nothing to report that is not mentioned elsewhere.

33. For Discussion:

- *20 is Plenty/Community Speeding.*
Following the Highways Authority request to move the 20 is plenty signs off their posts and land, discussions have been ongoing in Bilbrough about where the signs can be sited. This has come to successful conclusion with residents / farmers agreeing to locate signs in their boundaries as follows:

Location	Land Owner	Notes
Cat Lane approach to Bilbrough	Robert Pilcher and Keith Bowes	This is the approach up from the Buckles to Bilbrough
Redhill Field Lane	Alison Drury	Approach from the A64 – to be placed just within Alison’s field. Location of post to be agreed prior to erection with Alison.
Laundry Hill, approaching Back lane	Angie and Paul Green / Mark Savege	Location of post to be confirmed prior to erection.
Cat Lane	Glynis Ashford	Centre post outside house

Back Lane	Suzanne Barker	Centre post just within land boundary outside house
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The Council wishes to thank all the landowners and residents for their support in this matter.
The next step is for suitable wooden posts to be obtained and erected.

Action: Cllr Warriner

It was noted that the 20 is Plenty signs are the first step to address speeding through the village.
Applying for permanent speed restrictions is the next step in due course.

It was noted that a number of residents have mentioned that it is difficult to see round the hedge on the right when turning out of Back Lane into Cat Lane.

- *Grass verges and grass verge bollards*

New wooden bollards have now replaced the white plastic ones outside the playing field and look much better. Thanks to Edwin Thorpe and Cllr Barker for sorting this.

Moorland Garden Services will be asked to trim the area around the bench at the back of the pub next year. It was noted that the hedge on the left hand side of the road, when approaching the village from the A64 up Redhill Field Lane, would benefit from trimming to match the hedge on the other side.

- *Quality of new road dressing*

Cllr Phillips has compiled a list of issues and photos of problems with the resurfacing work, and comments have also been received from a number of residents. A report will be sent to Highways Area 7. It was also noted that, although road markings have been redone at the village hall end of Main Street, the yellow lines have not yet been reinstated.

Action: Cllr Dawson and Clerk

- *Public footpaths*

Cllr Dawson reported that a resident had raised a couple of issues about access and signage to footpaths in the village. These have been passed onto the relevant authority for investigation, but they are unable to look at them yet. It was also noted that the footpath sign by the lay-by near the A64 has fallen down.

The Clerk reported that the footpath sign and dog waste bin at the Back Lane end of Piggy Lane had been moved without consultation by the developers of the new houses. The Clerk had emailed the developers and the footpath sign and bin have been re-sited to the other side of the lane. A complaint has subsequently been raised by the neighbouring resident and the Council are working to resolve this issue.

Action: Cllr Dawson and Clerk

- *Planning Changes consultation*

The Government have put out several consultations on the Planning process. The Council will send responses to the NALC.

- *Councillors' Code of Conduct consultation*

A new model format is currently being consulted on, and may be adopted by the Council in due course.

34. For Information:

Nothing specific to report that has not already been circulated.

35. Planning

Applications for consideration

- There have been a number of applications for tree felling. Cllrs Dawson and Barker to consider, in the light of the village being in a conservation area.
- Amendment to single storey extension and dormer roof extension at 17 Back Lane. Paperwork not yet received.

Applications Approved

Applications withdrawn/refused

36. Clerks report, Finance, Income and precept

Finance report submitted and shows a healthy balance on the council funds. The only payments made since the previous meeting are for the cutting of the grass and verges, the Clerk's salary, and courses for new the Clerk.

It was agreed that the Clerk (who is also the Responsible Financial Officer) should investigate internet banking with HSBC.

37. Agenda items for next meeting:

38. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 10th November at 7.30pm - Village Hall or online zoom meeting