

# GRINTON & ELLERTON ABBEY PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Grinton and Ellerton Abbey Parish Council held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.15pm in Grinton Parish Hall

Present: Cllr Coates (Chair), Cllrs Forrest, Barningham, Sunter, Jones and Barker, District Cllr R Good, the Clerk and two members of the Public.

## 1. Apologies:

NYCC Cllr Y Peacock

## 2. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

The minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 having been circulated were approved and signed.

## 3. Matters Arising:

Debris under the Bridge: Following the recent high waters there had been no shift of any of the debris from under the bridge. It was decided that councillors would have a site meeting to access the situation on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January. Cllr Jones reported that Yorkshire Water had not removed the old metal sewer pipe from the beck near Manor House and that it could potentially cause problems in any future flooding event. Cllr Jones would send photos to Yorkshire Water and request its removal.

There has also been no progress with the repairs to Brownagill bridge on the Harkerside road. The parapet wall is still down from the 2019 flooding and the opposite side wall is now leaning badly. Cllr Jones has photos and will forward them to NYCC Highways.

Decarbonising Community Buildings: Cllr Jones has received the application form and will return it with all the necessary information. The survey of the building should be carried out by 21<sup>st</sup> January.

Area Partnership Application: The recent application regarding updating the hall heaters has been approved and £1000.00 awarded. Cllr Forrest will contact Michael Guy and request that the works are carried out as soon as possible.

Street Light, Grinton Bridge: The Clerk has spoken to RDC regarding siting a solar light on the area of village green near the bridge. The works have been passed to the lighting consultant. The Clerk will speak to RDC again to get an update.

Recycling Bin: The request for a free recycling bin for the village had been unsuccessful as all the free bins have now been allocated. Cllr Forrest proposed that the parish council purchase a bin. This was put to the vote and passed by 5 votes to 1. The approximate cost of the bin will be £700.00. The Clerk will contact RDC to order the bin.

Registration of Ownership of Village Hall: Cllr Coates has contacted Halls Solicitors for an update on the application to amend the registration. This is with the Land Registry and will depend on them as to when it is completed. Costs of £78.00 have so far been incurred and Cllr Coates has requested an invoice to enable this to be paid. It was decided that when this

process has been completed Cllr Jones will look at the deeds to see when the ownership was transferred to the Parish Council and to assess if it can be transferred to trustees from the village/parish to protect it for the community should there be any changes to parish councils in the future.

Village Information Board: Cllr Forrest contacted YDNPA following the November meeting to request the information board but has not heard anything since. Possible site were discussed but it was decided to wait until the exact details of the proposed sign were received before making any decision.

#### **4. Correspondence:**

Yorkshire Dales National Park:

Planning Application – Swale Hall Lane: Cllr Coates has spoken to the Planning Department at YDNPA to re-iterate the concerns regarding the access to this land as per the previous application. The application has been refused on 4<sup>th</sup> January by the Planning Authority.

Action Network:

20mph Speed Limit: There is a zoom meeting to be held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January for the action group. The Clerk has circulated details should any councillors wish to attend.

#### **5. Finance:**

The clerk gave an update of the current financial position. There are no outstanding invoices to be paid.

#### **6. Any Other Business:**

St Andrew's Church Clock: An email has been received from the Church Wardens asking the Parish Council to support the electrifying of the Church clock. They are seeking to raise funding for this project and are asking the Parish Council for support. It was decided that the Clerk would write to the Church Wardens acknowledging receipt of their request but that no decisions regarding any contributions have been made yet.

Village Hall Smoke Alarm: The current alarm requires a new battery and it was decided that Cllr Forrest would source a more up to date alarm for the building.

Drain outside White Lea; Despite NYCC attending to this drain in November there is still a problem with standing water and there is obviously an on-going problem. The Clerk will report this again on the Parish Portal.

Potholes on Whitaside Road; Cllr Sunter reported that numerous residents have reported these to NYCC highway but there has been not action. It was agreed to raise the issue with Cllr Peacock.

Superfast Fibre: Works have started to install the fibre cables and is expected to be completed by the end of February.

#### **8. Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

