

GRINTON & ELLERTON ABBEY PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Grinton and Ellerton Abbey Parish Council held on Monday 16th May 2022 at 7.00pm in Grinton Parish Hall

Present: Cllr Coates (Chair), Cllrs Barningham, Sunter, Jones, Forrest and Barker, the Clerk, RDC Cllr R Good, NYCC Councillor Y Peacock, James Ryan NYCC and two members of the public

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair:

Chair:

G Coates was proposed by M Barningham, seconded by M Forrest and agreed unanimously.

Vice Chair:

M Forrest was proposed by M Barningham, seconded by M Barker and agreed unanimously.

It was also proposed by the Chair that Cllr Mark Jones become the Emergency Officer for the Parish Council and agreed unanimously.

2. Apologies:

None

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th March 2022 having been circulated were approved and signed.

4. Matters Arising:

Brownagill Bridge Repairs:

Cllr Peacock reported that the works have now gone out to tender and the repairs will be carried out during the summer months.

Debris under the bridge:

Damage has been caused to both banks above the bridge due to the flood waters backing up because of the amount of debris under the bridge. Cllr Coates stated that David Bowe of NYCC had said that they were responsible for clearing debris from under road bridges and had undertaken such work elsewhere in the parish. Cllr Good also confirmed that David Bowe was clear that under bridges would be cleared and was the responsibility of NYCC.

James Ryan reported that any previous clearance works carried out had been sanctioned by David Bowe who is no longer at the authority and that any future works will only be carried out to preserve the highway as per current legislation. Cllr Peacock requested that a copy of the current legislation that shows that NYCC are not responsible for clearing under bridges be made available to the Parish Council and that a site meeting with the current head of service, Karl Battersby be requested as soon as possible. James Ryan was requested to obtain some suitable dates from Mr Battersby as soon as possible and before the next parish council meeting in July.

Grinton Parish had not been included in the recent feasibility study by NYCC for which a public meeting had been held in Reeth. James confirmed that Grinton is on the property resilience register at NYCC. As such NYCC will be offering flood doors to properties that flood internally within the parish. The project is currently being rolled out on a pilot scheme elsewhere but will be available here soon. Cllr Peacock asked if Grinton would come into any defence plans being drawn up to slow the rate of water such as tree planting or leaky dams on the moor. James reported that these are only possible with the permission of land owners. It was felt that perhaps YDNPA may be able to help with this and Cllrs Peacock and Good will take this up with the authority regarding a feasibility study and any funding that may be available.

It was agreed that any remedial works required on flood damage should be deferred until after a site meeting with NYCC.

Recycling Bin:

The base for the bin is now complete. Cllr Good reported that there is a 10 week delivery on new bins at the moment. The Clerk will check with RDC for progress on the order.

5. Correspondence:

YDNPA

Election of Parish Representatives: The current parish representatives have now come to the end of their terms and nominations are invited for the new term of office. The current representative is Alan Kirkbridge who is standing again. It was agreed to support his bid.

6. Finance:

Approval of Annual Governance Statement 2021/22: This was read and approved by Cllrs.

Approval of Annual Accounts 2021/22: These were circulated and approved by Cllrs.

It was also approved that £25,550 would be held in reserves for any future works required to the Village Hall and £9,145 held in reserve for any future flood prevention/repairs required within the parish.

Cheques were signed for:

Clerk's wages and expenses - £388.00

Eon-next - £51.93

T Sunter - £458.40

A Malton - £55.00

7. Any Other Business:

Bench at Redmire Road End:

Cllr Sunter reported that the bench was damaged and in need of repair. It was agreed that Cllr Sunter would obtain a quote for repairs from T Sunter.

NYCC Emergency Planning Officer:

Cllr Peacock reported that there is a new Emergency Planning Officer at NYCC who is working with parishes. Cllr Peacock will send his contact details and ask him to attend a future meeting.

HGV's using Moor Road:

Cllr Barningham reported that HGV's from Carrs Billington and Bikers are still using the Moor Road despite the weight limit. Cllr Good will contact these companies regarding the matter.

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

Monday 5th July 2022 at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall