

Minutes of the Meeting of Denby Dale Parish Council held on Tuesday 3 April 2018 in the Civic Chamber, Council Offices, Skelmanthorpe

Members Present: Cllrs: Polly Ann Flinders, Richard Brook, Graham Turner, Ray Gott, Jamie Summers, Eddie Shaw, Janet Depledge, Neil Denby, Kelvyn Waites, Mike Wood, Stuart Merry, Lynn Hardy, Cynthia Naylor, Neil Gemmell and Billy Jewitt

16/647 Chairman's Opening Remarks

Cllr Depledge welcomed councillors to the meeting and informed them of the Easter Sunday event she had attended at Huddersfield Parish Church to mark the 100-year celebration of the RAF which had been very moving. Cllr Depledge also asked Cllr Denby to advise councillors how to address the recent spam emails which had circulated around the council.

16/648 Declarations of interest/disclosable pecuniary interests

No Declarations of interest were received.

16/649 Open Session

No members of the public were present.

16/650 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Cook, Hellewell, Blanshard, Slater and Kemp
RESOLVED that the reasons submitted be approved.

16/651 Admission of the Public

RESOLVED that no items needed to be taken in private.

16/652 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED that the following minutes be approved:

Full Council – 6 March

Finance & General Purposes Committee – 13 March

Plans Scrutiny Committee – 27 March

16/653 Ward Councillor's Report

Cllr Turner gave a verbal report

- Cllr Turner informed the meeting of the death of Ian Bowie, an ex-councillor with the parish council who had been very involved with Broadband, and who had more recently been active with the U3A group. A minutes silence was held.
- The Council was now in Purdah due to the upcoming elections.
- The Local Plan was progressing and the Council was awaiting an update from the Inspector.
- The Library Consultation had now finished and would now be collated and sent to the portfolio holder and then to cabinet. This may involve an interim report.
- Potholes had been a problem due to the recent bad weather and the Council had now allocated extra resources to deal with these.
- In answer to a question regarding Carillion, Cllr Turner stated Kirklees had had no contracts with them.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

16/654 Report from Dave Wilde, Countryside Officer

The Countryside Officer tabled a report. The date for the fete at Churchfield was discussed.

RESOLVED that the report be received

16/655 Clerk's Report

The Clerk tabled a report. Cllr Turner stated he would ask if the verge near Shelley College was maintained.

RESOLVED that the report be received

16/656 Finance Matters

- Orders for Payment: **RESOLVED** that the orders for payment No 705 be approved for payment, totalling £2,295.80
- To Authorise Payment of Salary: **RESOLVED** that the payment of Clerk's and Countryside Officer's salaries, WYPF and HMRC be authorised for April 2018.
- Training: **RESOLVED** that the Clerk, Cllrs Gott & Waites attend the YLCA GDPR training at a cost of £135 to be taken from this years GDPR budget line.
- Building Gas Supply: **RESOLVED** that a 2 year fixed contract should be taken out with British Gas until a dual fuel contract could be arranged.
- Financial Software: **RESOLVED** that the Clerk purchase the RBS Omega package as per the quote received.

16/657 GDPR Briefings

The Clerk referred to the training provision. No further updates available.

16/658 Matters Raised by Councillors

- Dog Waste Bag Dispenser, Denby: **RESOLVED** to postpone this item.
- YLCA Feedback: Feedback was provided by Cllrs Shaw & Jewitt
- Libraries Update: Cllr Depledge informed the council that she and Cllr Brook, as agreed by full council, had investigated various costings regarding the library service with officers, with no commitment made. They had also visited Burley in Wharfedale where the parish council ran the library and referred councillors to their website for information. It was clear that some options would come forward and it was wise to be prepared as the library service would definitely be changing.
- Dog bag dispenser: Cllr Wood requested that councillors check locations of existing dog bag dispensers to assess if any were no longer in use and could be re-located.

16/659 Heritage Working Party/EPIP Report

Cllr Brook reported that more archives material including folders from Leslie Robinson and charity ledgers from Emley had been uploaded to the archive website. Skelmanthorpe local history group were also researching the graveyard in Skelmanthorpe. Cllr Hardy thanked Cllr Brook for all his work on this website.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

16/660 Working Party on Public Transport Report

Cllr Turner stated that the Heavy Woollen Committee had approved the Naylor's application with the power to discuss the re-fill period which would hopefully be 2 years, not 5. This application affected the council as there would then be the potential to develop a nature area and a car park. Cllr Turner also referred to a consultation by Transport for the North' which was looking at future investment in the road and rail links involving Kirklees.

Cllr Waites referred to minor changes to local bus timetables and to the new South Pennine Community Transport bus provision between Holmfirth and Penistone running 2 days a week and the Holmfirth to Barnsley service on Wednesdays.

16/661 Skelmanthorpe Council Building Update

Cllr Jewitt referred to the roof work quote for £17500 which was then discussed. A proposal by Cllr Gott was put forward to accept this quote. An amendment was put forward by Cllr Turner that at least one further quote be obtained. The amended proposal was voted on and agreed.

RESOLVED under the amended proposal that at least one more quote be sought for the roofing work.

16/662 May Council Meeting Items: Caretakers house at Denby Dale First School (Cllr Denby)

16/663 Dates of next meetings:

- Plans Scrutiny Committee 24 April
- Full Council Meeting 1 May (APM and ACM)

- Plans Scrutiny Committee 29 May

Signed.....

CHAIRMAN