

Evenwood & Barony Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY 11 DECEMBER 2018

COUNCILLORS: B. Nicholson (Chair) J. Sewell
M. Prince B. Maude
R. Spraggon
Clerk: Martin Clark

Visitors: T. Brookes (Teesdale Mercury)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No members of the public present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were tendered and approved for Cllr's Lyons & Webb (unwell), Cllr Townsend (Work). No apologies were received from Cllr English and Cllr Donovan

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None declared

3. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13 NOVEMBER 2018:

RESOLVED: The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on the 13 November 2018 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Sewell.

4. PROGRESS REPORT:

The Clerk confirmed his report issued with the agenda.

The Section 106 monies from the Brown Jug development amounting to circa £13,000 has still not be lodged with DCC. This money has been applied for by this council. Cllr Nicholson suggested when it is resolved a small committee is formed to look at how to use the money on open spaces.

RESOLVED: The Progress report was noted.

5. LOCAL MAINTENANCE:

Cllr Spaggon referred to the ongoing issue of dog fouling

Cllr Sewell referred to the issue of cars mounting the pavement in Swan Street to avoid oncoming traffic, sometimes at excessive speeds. Cllr Sewell had witnessed this and the near miss of a pedestrian.

Cllr Nicholson referred to an incident recently where tacks/nails had been placed on the road at Bank Top, and also behind the wheels of the shop owners van. It was reported to the Police by the shop owner and Cllr Nicholson. Neither have received any feedback and no incident numbers given. This was chased with the Police by the Clerk who identified a fault with their logging system.

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A previous incident of broken glass being placed in the same area was discussed.

Cllr Prince was concerned that it is going to take a really serious incident before we get any help from the Police.

Cllr Nicholson referred to the felling of trees at Craggwood. This needs to be monitored to ensure no trees are felled on the council owned part of the wood.

Cllr Nicholson gave members on the Welfare Ground:

Floodlights are not working despite what has been reported – generator needed a battery and a service; some of the lights work but others do not. Mr Dunn was asked to get a price for the bulbs and the works needed on the generator – the generator costs were £240 which the Trustee account will cover.

It is agreed we would like to see the floodlights in use for all. The interim cost of the bulbs of £540 could not be met by the limited Welfare Trustees funds. The Youth Fund from the Randolph Community Centre will therefore step in and cover these costs. It was noted the cost could well increase but things should still be able to be met from the fund, as this will be a benefit to many long term.

Members were informed the floodlights will not be put into use until all safeguarding policies, and checks are seen to be in place by groups wanting to use the facilities. We are ensuring the young people, coaches and the Trustees are protected.

It was agreed it was a great thing that is being done with the young people, but it must be done correctly. To date we have not received any documents requested.

6. CORRESPONDANCE:

6.1 Great North Air Ambulance – Thanking the council for its generous donation. Noted

6.2 DCC – Notification to inform the parish council of the change from 1 to 5 Jacob Wright Almshouses to 1 to 5 Jacob Wrights Cottages. Noted

7. FINANCE/ACCOUNTS:

No additional invoices post issue of the report.

RESOLVED: The December Financial Report was proposed as a true record by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Sewell

8. PLANNING:

8.1 DM/18/03564/FPA – Andrew Hodgson, New Moors Cottage, Evenwood Gate: Single storey front extension. Noted.

8.2 DM/18/03345/FPA – Durham Careline, Bowes Court, Evenwood – Building to house 45kw biomass boilers. Noted.

9. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING & AGENDA ITEMS:

Tuesday 8th January 2019, 7.00pm, Venue: Randolph Community Centre, Evenwood

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