

# Scagglethorpe Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2019 in the Village Hall

### 1. Appologies for absence/Councillors Present

Councillors present: Sheila Cook(SC) Paul Douthwaite(PD), John Smyth(JS), Janet Bates(JB), Nancy Wilson (NW). Also present Clerk David Sonley(DS) and County Councillor Kean Duncan (KD).

Appologies for absence received from Councillors Lee Walker and Maureen Danby-Smith.

### 2. Minutes of the last meeting

Accepted and signed by the chairman.

### 3. Matters arising from the Minutes

4. Another For Sale sign had appeared on the A64 verge near the Scagglethorpe exit. The Council took note of this but decided that no action should be taken at the present time.

6.4 DS had emailed NYCC regarding our concerns about the hazard of traffic running down the pavement but had not yet had a reply. KD suggested a contact we should approach at NYCC and will provide us with an email address.

6.5 Pot holes in old village road. PD had inspected the pot holes and will monitor the depth of them.

### 4. Traffic Survey

4.1 DS had provided Councillors with the data collected and a number of charts plotted from the survey data, and data from two of the days in our 2016 survey. The results showed:

Average total traffic per 12 hour period in 2016	1,194	
Average total traffic per 12 hour period in 2019	1,264	+6%

Average HGVs per 12 hour period in 2016	52	
Average HGVs per 12 hour period in 2019	73	+40%

The Council agreed that the road through the village was unsuitable for this volume of traffic in terms of both width of the roads and road surface, and that we should be presenting our survey findings as evidence in future discussions with the relevant authorities.

The long anticipated link road between the B1248 and the A64 would ease the situation. KD informed the meeting that no further progress on this project could be made until the developers submitted their plans for approval.

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- 4.2 KD had noted our attempts to liaise with NYCC regarding the heavy lorries running down the pavement in the lower part of the village and will provide us contact details of a senior NYCC officer who he suggested we should approach.
- 4.3 KD informed the meeting that the NYCC were placing monitoring strips on the main roads but not in the minor roads through the villages and that air quality samples were being taken in Malton and on the A64.

## 5. Further discussions with Kean Duncan

- 5.1 KD had a small fund which was intended to purchase a vehicle activated speed awareness sign which was to be shared by a number of villages throughout the area on an annual rotation of about 6 weeks at a time. The cost of the signs are about £4000 each, and the installation of the connection point about £500 each to be borne by the local parish council. The Council expressed an interest in this project and would like to receive more accurate costings. The Council also said that we would like to use the type of sign that displays the actual speed of the vehicle as we thought that this left the most effective impression on car drivers.
- 5.2 Dog Fouling. RDC was stepping up the enforcement work on dog fouling and will reach its conclusions in September. It is likely that enforcement officers will be employed in the towns but not the villages. The Council felt that deploying enforcement officers in our village was not a practical proposition in any case.
- 5.3 Potholes. In order to improve response times, NYCC is taking this back in house instead of employing third party contractors.
- 5.4 Broadband implementation was progressing throughout Ryedale and NYCC had also made significant investment in the project.
- 5.5 The Council noted that the road materials storage area at the Bullpiece had not yet been tidied up as expected.

## 6. Financial Statement

DS circulated the Bank Reconciliation Statement. There were no questions on the accounts.

## 7. Correspondence/Clerk's Report

DS brought the Council's attention to the planning application for workshop to living annex conversion at Delamere House. The Council agreed that there was no need to formally submit comments on it. The Council noted that building work had started at Far View. The details of the development were unknown and, as yet, no planning application had been submitted.

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DS had received an email and a poster advertising a community event being organised by the Malton and Norton Rotary Club and will post it on the village notice boards. The event taking place on 28<sup>th</sup> September in the Milton Rooms is to allow members of the public to meet representatives of over 30 activity and support groups from this area.

## **8. Dog Fouling Campaign**

The Council agreed that it would be better to run our campaign without approaching Settrington School as decided at our last meeting. As this was a suitable activity to allow children to participate, it would be appropriate to ask the Playing Field Committee if they would take this on. PD to initiate.

## **9. 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day, 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

Councillors had viewed the anniversary web site and agreed that we should encourage the village to participate. It was suggested that there may not be a requirement for the Parish Council to directly organise any activities as the Playing Field and Chapel committees are better placed to do so. This subject should be on the agenda for the next meeting.

## **10. Grass Cutting**

Councillors had received a few comments regarding the untidy state of the grass verges which are not cut until later in the year so as to allow the daffodils to finish their growing cycle. Cow parsley is the main cause of the untidiness. PD will apply a selective weedkiller which should improve the situation.

Councillors had also noticed the poor condition of many of the horse chestnut trees. We understand that the problem is caused by the leaf minor moth, and that it can be controlled by fixing pathogenic hanging baskets to the trees in order to kill off the moths. PD will investigate and report back.

## **11. Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

D R Sonley, Parish Clerk

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Signed as a true record by the Chairman of the November 2019 Parish Council Meeting

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