BURTON-CUM-WALDEN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 7 MARCH 2023

A Parish Council meeting was held in the Village Hall, West Burton on Tuesday, 7 March 2023

Present: Miss Jane Ritchie, Mr David Dent, Mr Andrew Landau, Mrs Sally Sahin, and Mrs Victoria Whitehead, Councillors, and Mrs Susan Ryding, Clerk

Also present: County Councillor Yvonne Peacock

1. Apologies

There were no apologies, all the members being present.

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 January 2023, having been circulated to all Members, were confirmed as a true copy, and duly signed by the Chairman

4. Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on the following matters:

- Internal auditor
- Civility and Respect Pledge
- Planning application R/54/7X for Aysgarth Lodge Holidays

5. Emergency generator and Emergency Plan

The Clerk tabled a quote for a petrol generator from Simon Winstanley for £2,700 and for a generator trolley for £95. These sums exclude VAT which will be added, but is refundable. These quotes were considered by the Council. Also considered was storage of the generator, and the purchase of a 20 litre petrol can. The Clerk also tabled the new Emergency Plan which was now complete and included details of the nine members of the Emergency Group, all of whom had agreed to participate.

RESOLVED:

- That the quotes for the generator and trolley are accepted and that the Clerk should now go ahead and order these items, together with a petrol can
- That the generator should be stored in the boiler room of the Village Hall, once it had been cleared of other items, with the agreement of the Village Hall committee
- That the Clerk should ensure that the generator is covered by the Council's insurance
- That the new Emergency Plan is approved and adopted
- That a meeting of the Emergency Group should be arranged as soon as possible, and that the Clerk should ensure that each member had a copy of the plan

6. Coronation celebrations

The Council discussed the arrangements for the Coronation celebration bring-and-share meal to take place on Sunday, 7 May 2023. The Clerk tabled an offer of a grant for £174.00 from Richmondshire District Council towards the cost of the celebrations.

RESOLVED:

 That Council members should continue to look out for information on commemorative coins to be given to the children of the Parish, estimated to be about 24 in number (kindly donation, if minted, by Councillor Jane Ritchie)

- That the offer of a grant of £174.00 should be accepted
- That the meal would take place in the Village Hall, starting at approximately 12.00 pm, and that members of the Council would gather in the Hall at 10.00 am to put out the tables and chairs
- That the Clerk should:
 - Consult with Mr Tony Ellender regarding the purchase of new bunting and if he could assist with putting it up
 - o Purchase disposable tablecloths, plates and small flags for decoration
 - Put together an information flyer that could be issued with the next Newsletter in April

7. Insurance for the motor mower

The Clerk tabled an invoice from NFU for the insurance premium for the motor mower for £163.39 RESOLVED: That this sum is agreed and that a cheque for this amount should be duly signed

8. Path across the Green to the School

Councillors considered the option for the path across the Green to the School. The Clerk confirmed that the BAWB Federation had kindly agreed to meet half the costs.

RESOLVED: That the path should be made wider, and that the Clerk should consult with Mr Mark Stanley about the possibility of relaying new grasscrete and what the cost would be

9. Parish Charter

The Council considered a consultation request from North Yorkshire County Council regarding a draft Parish Charter. Councillors went through the questions asked in the consultation and expressed their views.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should complete the questionnaire and return it to North Yorkshire Country Council, that attention should be drawn to the Councillors main concern which was the nature and composition of the proposed North Yorkshire Parishes' Joint Liaison Group and that the Council endorsed the views on this matter previously expressed to North Yorkshire County Council by Councillor Jane Ritchie

10. Community Anchor Organisations Fund

Councillors considered information received on the Community Anchor Organisations Fund.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should investigate this matter further by contacting Mrs Julie Greenslade, and that any bid for funding put in by Mrs Greenslade should be supported

11. Parish Council Schedule of Assets

The Clerk tabled an amended Schedule of the Council's assets.

RESOLVED: That the Schedule is approved and should be duly signed by the Chairman and the Responsible Financial Officer

12. Best Kept Village Competition

The Clerk reported that she had received a request from Richmond Rotary Club to participate in this year's Best Kept Village Competition.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should respond that the Council would participate again this year

13. Invoices

Cheques for the following invoices were signed.

- Play area inspection fee £110.76 (VAT £18.46)
- Information Commissioner's Office fee £40.00

14. Notice of meetings and reports of meeting attended

Councillors noted the dates of future meetings and reports of meetings attended.

15. Items for the next agenda

RESOLVED: That in addition to any matters mentioned above, the following items should be brought forward to the next meeting:

- Repairs to the play area
- Items for the next Newsletter
- Arrangements for the Coronation celebration and the May Fair

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.45 pm

Date of the next meeting, Tuesday, 4 April 2023 at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.

Chairman: 10 Ritchie

Date: 4 April 2023