

Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council held at Old Pool Bank Village Hall, Quarry Farm Road, Old Pool Bank, Pool-in-Wharfedale on Monday 14th March 2022 commencing at 7.30pm.

Present Councillor Lee in the Chair.

Councillors, Cooke, Davey, Hill, North, Mifsud, Parker. Also, in attendance the Clerk John Ryan and Ward Councillors Barry Anderson and Caroline Anderson. Mr Wolinski and Mr Berry.

2022/923 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported from the recent meeting of the Airport Committee, the details of which have been widely publicised. Major plans for expansion will not now go ahead but already approved plans at the eastern end of the airport will.

The Chairman asked councillors to note that she will be stepping down from the Airport Committee in May and asked councillors to consider taking up the vacancy.

Also, the Chairman noted that the dilapidated phone box at the Dyneley Arms has finally been removed.

Ward Councillor Anderson informed the Council that Taylor Wimpey is in the process of submitting new plans for their proposed housing development which they say takes into account many of the residents' concerns.

2022/924 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The chairman welcomed Mr Wolinski and Mr Berry to the meeting. Mr Wolinski brought councillors up to date with plans to resurface Cabin Road, stating that 22 households have been written to about the plans, 15 of the 22 are in favour of resurfacing of the road, 4 had concerns and 3 have not responded to the letter. The proposal extends from the A660 to the brown garage. The road is half owned by the Parish Council the other half belonging to the residents.

Mr Wolinski presented three estimates for the work all around the £12,000 mark. Their preferred estimate was for Windser Road Services Ltd. Mr Berry said that it was important that any road surfacing included the necessary drainage work to allow soakaway of surface water.

Councillors asked a number of questions including what guarantees are being offered by the companies quoted. Mr Wolinski will investigate this further.

Councillors thanked Mr Wolinski and Mr Berry for their comments and said councillors will discuss the matter later on the agenda.

2022/925 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from Councillor Rowling and Ward Councillor Billy Flynn.

2022/926 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

No interests were declared.

2022/927 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last Council meeting held on Monday 14th February 2022 were approved along with the Finance Committee minutes of the 8th April 2021 and 10th January 2022. Approval of the minutes was moved by Councillor Cooke and seconded by Councillor North.

RESOLVED

That the Council accepts that the minutes listed above be approved as a true record.

2022/928 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Chair of the Neighbourhood Planning Group Alexa Ruppertsberg circulated a report covering work over the last few months. Leeds City Council are still reviewing the Basic Conditions and Consultation Statement though this has been held up due to recruitment of staff. It was noted that a tremendous amount of work has fallen on a few members of the Group namely Alexa Ruppertsberg, Ailsa Bearpark, John Porter and Councillor Rowling. The Council expressed their gratitude for all their hard work on the Plan.

Councillors should consider applying some pressure to Leeds Council to move things along.

2022/929 **ROAD SAFETY ISSUES IN POOL**

Whilst it is understood that the Police have approved the 20-mph scheme and that it remains a high priority Leeds Council are trying to bring together a number of 20-mph schemes to bring efficiencies and save costs in the processing of the schemes. It is hoped that this will be done in the next financial year.

The 30-mph scheme for Old Pool Bank is not considered a priority by Leeds City Council as the accident record does not warrant a reduction in the speed limit. The Council continues to press for this speed reduction but realistically it will not happen anytime soon.

The clerk reported a number of enquires from residents through the Facebook Page, one resident's concerns have been dealt with as outlined above. The other resident raised concerns about irresponsible parking of visitors to the football ground on Wharfe Crescent, some of which blocks the footpath making passage difficult for wheelchair users.

The Council noted the concerns and suggested that the resident contacts the Police through 101 or 999 immediately if passage is blocked. Ward Councillor Anderson will contact the Council's Access Officer to see if anything can be done and the Clerk will write (again) to the Football Club asking supporters and players to park sympathetically in the neighbourhood.

2022/930 **QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE JUNE 2nd to JUNE 5th 2022.**

Councillor Hill reported on the recent residents meeting that an event is being planned at the Pool Sports and Social Club with stalls, raffles, food etc. The event will mostly be outside but the club bar will be available. The event will take place on the Sunday 5th June. A request from the residents meeting for the planting of a tree will be supported by the Council. Councillor North will undertake to acquire the tree from Stephen Smiths and a plaque celebrating the Jubilee with support from Stephen Smiths and the Parish Council will be made. The tree will be planted within the Recreation Ground with the support of the Pool Riverside Park Trust.

The Council has no specific plans of its own but will support events where possible.

2022/931 **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

The clerk brought councillors up to date with the Parish Council's Facebook Page and recent activity. A Parish Council Group Page has also been established but the council needs to agree content.

In making use of social media the Council needs to discuss what it wants from using Facebook and other social media platforms. The Clerk suggested a discussion at the next meeting to move the discussion along. The clerk will also report on the free audit of the Facebook Page by Breakthrough Communications.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk continue to make progress the Facebook Page/Group for the Council and circulate the report from Breakthrough Communications.

2022/932 **REPORTS FROM MEMBERS**

Councillor Cooke and Lee informed the meeting of the forthcoming event on May 22nd 2022 at Old Pool Bank Village Hall to celebrate its 70-year anniversary.

It was noted that the post of Archivist for Pool on the retirement of Pat Lazenby current keeper of the archive and the Pool History Website is still to be progressed. The clerk to action the posting of an advert on the Community Facebook Page for this voluntary position as soon as possible.

RESOLVED

That the reports be noted.

2022/933 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications were noted 22/00626/FU/NW Braime House, and 22/00188/FU/NW Swallow Drive . No objections were recorded.

RESOLVED

That any objections to planning applications received by the Parish Council are passed on to the Planning Authority for consideration.

2022/934 **CLERK'S REPORT AND MONTHLY FINANCE REPORTS**

The Clerk asked Council to note the donation of £500.00 from Mr Paul Bone towards the cost of repairs to the cenotaph.

The clerk reminded councillors that this was the time of year when community groups/organisations could begin applying to the council for grants. The budget next year will be £3,600. Applicants are required to submit forms outlining their application and to provide financial and other relevant information.

Information about the process will go on the council internet and facebook page.

2022/935 **RESOLVED**

That the report and Financial Reports for February and March be approved moved by Councillor Mifsud and Councillor Cooke.

2022/936 **CABIN ROAD.**

Council discussed the plan for resurfacing Cabin Road from the A660 to the Brown Garage and sought more information before making any final decisions. It was agreed that the clerk write a letter initially to Mr Wolinski asking that all the residents in favour of the proposal sign a letter to say they agree to pay the sum of money asked for which will make up half of the costs of carrying out the work and agree that this fund will be passed over to the parish council before any work is carried out.

Councillors noted some concerns about the plans and needs to consider if these can be overcome before the council agree to the resurfacing.

RESOLVED

That the resurfacing of Cabin Road be an item on the April agenda and that the clerk contact Mr Wolinski as the main contact with the letter as outlined above and outlines the Council's position to date.

2022/937 **TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA**

Council Communications, Cabin Road, Otley East Development,

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm

SIGNED BY