

## Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council

### **Minutes of the meeting of Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council held the Methodist Rooms, Manor Gardens, Main Street, Pool-in-Wharfedale on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 commencing at 7.30 pm.**

**Present** Chairman Councillor Lee in the Chair.  
Councillors Bone, Cooke, Hill, Parker. Also, in attendance the Clerk John Ryan.

2023/71 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman informed council that plaques for the proposed bench and tree have been organised, the tree will be purchased shortly. The Primary School have been informed.

2023/72 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No residents in attendance.

2023/73 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Mifsud and Rowling and Ward Councillors Caroline Anderson, Barry Anderson and Billy Flynn.

2023/74 **DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS**

Councillor Hill and Council Lee declared interests on items on the agenda (Agenda item 8 Pool Feast and Agenda item 12 the Budget Finance Reports)

2023/75 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 were approved. Also approved were the minutes of the Finance Committee 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Approval of the minutes was moved by Councillor Bone and seconded by Councillor Cooke.

**RESOLVED**

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

2023/76 **REFURBISHMENT OF PLAYGROUND AND ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORTS**

Councillor Cooke reported that new fittings for the swings are still awaited, these will be chased up with the supplier. We are still awaiting a quote for the playground woodchip, once an acceptable quote has been received the work will be carried out as soon as possible.

There is a long lead in time for the curved climber, but Sutcliffe's have said they will fit the equipment as soon as possible.

Councillor Cooke also asked council to consider in the longer-term new surfaces around the play equipment whilst this may prove expensive it needs to be set aside against the regular supplies of woodchip and repairs to the wooden borders. Councillor Cooke will research the options.

**RESOLVED**

That Councillor Cooke investigate the possibility of new surfaces around the playground equipment.

2023/77 **ROAD SAFETY ISSUES IN POOL**

The Clerk raised comments made by Councillor Hill at the last meeting regarding the closure of Harewood Bridge and asked councillors if they wished them to be forwarded to Leeds Council for consideration, councillors agreed.

Council considered an email from Mr Jamie Baker and Councillor Barry Anderson on a number of Road Safety issues. It is anticipated that the village 20 mph scheme and the Old Pool Bank speed limit scheme will be introduced during April/May 2023. Other issues such as the condition of Pool Bank New Road are not being considered due to the lateness of work at the Dyneley Arms. The Parish Council will continue to press for this work and similar work

on Old Pool Bank to be done as soon as possible as the condition of these roads is a major concern.

It was noted that new white lining has been carried out on Pool Bank New Road and that footway and carriageway repairs are due to take place on Mill Lane and the Millcroft estate in the near future, with a start date for the footways 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023 as an approximate date.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the concerns of councillors regarding the closure of Harewood Bridge be forwarded to Leeds City Council. This was moved by Councillor Bone and seconded by Councillor Hill.

2023/78

#### **POOL FEAST**

Councillor Hill informed council that the Feast Committee are still looking for a Treasurer but Insurance has now been secured for the event along with First Aid provision. Plans are moving along for the Feast Event which is to be held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

2023/79

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Consultation Statement is currently in progress with Leeds City Council and will need to be signed off by the Parish Council. Funds have been set aside in the budget for work to be undertaken by consultants once appointed.

2023/80

#### **CORONATION OF KING CHARLES 111**

The Chairman reported earlier in the meeting regarding the purchase on a tree, bench and plaque to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles 111. Council approved the expenditure thus far (£79.00 plaques and plate). Planting of the tree, involving pupils from the Primary School will take place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Old Pool Bank Village Hall are hosting an Afternoon Tea on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023 between 2.00 pm and 6.00 pm.

2023/81

#### **GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**

The clerk informed council of the grant application received from Otley Action for Older People asking council to support with a grant the Party in Pool for the over 60's who are most at risk of social isolation. The grant will support room hire, food, transport and entertainment. A sum of £ 400.00 is requested.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the event be supported was moved by Councillor Cooke and seconded by Councill Hill and that a grant of £400.00 be awarded.

2023/82

#### **REPORTS FROM MEMBERS**

Councillor Bone provided a comprehensive report on activities at the Airport through the Consultative Committee. Also, he noted that the Action Plan currently being developed is taking account of the closure of Doncaster Airport.

Councillor Cooke thanked Ward Councillor Flynn for getting repairs to the boardwalk carried out but noted that the boardwalk has now been closed off. Pressure will continue to be applied to the Chevin Management Committee to get repairs etc, carried out.

The Clerk reported on the recent Finance Committee and provided a detailed summary on the closure of the accounts for 2022-23 and asked council to approve the budget for 2023-24 recommended by the Finance Committee.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the Finance reports be noted and that the Budget for 2023-24 be approved the motion was moved by Councillor Cook and seconded by Councillor Bone.

2023/83

#### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Planning Applications 23/01774/FU/NW Fairmead, Pool Bank New Road and 23/01783/FU/NW were noted. Application 23/02271/FU/NW White Holme Drive was passed to Councillor Parker for consideration.

**RESOLVED**

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

2023/84

**CLERK'S REPORT AND MONTHLY FINANCE REPORTS**

Councillors were asked by the clerk to review their Declarations of Pecuniary Interest Forms on the parish council website. All current councillors submitted nomination forms for the forthcoming elections and will be elected in May. The Parish Council still has two vacancies. So another recruitment drive is required.

The clerk's report was noted along with invoices due that were not on the Monthly Finance Report.

**RESOLVED**

That the report be noted and that the Finance Reports for March be approved. This was moved by Councillor Cooke and seconded by Councillor Bone.

2023/85

**TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA**

Playgrounds, Pool Feast, Otley East Development.

Meeting Closed at 8.50 pm      SIGNED BY