

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 10th JULY 2023 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present Chairman Councillor Lee in the Chair.
Councillors Bone, Cooke, Hill, Mifsud and Rowling. Also, in attendance Ward Councillors Caroline and Barry Anderson, Clerk John Ryan and Sarah Cliff and Sarah Corr.

2023/116 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman asked Councillors to note that the Civic Service will be held on Sunday 8th October 2023 at the Methodist Church commencing at 10.30 am.

The Chairman asked Council to note that Councillor Cooke has recently successfully completed her PhD. The Council warmly congratulated Dr Cooke.

2023/117 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Sarah Cliff and Sarah Corr acting as representatives of the Friends of Pool Primary School (PTA) addressed the meeting in relation to their application for a grant. The group are looking to renew markings on the Primary School playgrounds and repaint old ones. This will include the supply and installation of Active Mile markings with daily mile key, 1-100 snakes and ladders grid in coloured MMA paint. Also, the supply and installation of a post mounted spin dice panel.

Both Sarah's were thanked for their presentation which will be debated later on the agenda.

2023/118 **DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS**

Declarations of interest were noted from Councillor Rowling (Planning) and Councillor Hill (Pool Feast)

2023/119 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillor Parker and Ward Councillor Billy Flynn.

2023/120 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 12 JUNE 2023 were approved. Approval of the minutes was moved by Councillor Mifsud and seconded by Councillor Cooke.

RESOLVED

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

2023/121 **REFURBISHMENT OF PLAYGROUND AND ANNUAL INSPECTION REPORTS**

Councillor Cooke reported that the new chains for the swings have arrived and will be installed within the coming week. A local contractor will also attend to corrosion on the main sign at the playground and make safe and repair fencing highlighted in the recent Inspection Reports.

Finding a contractor for the supply of new woodchip bark is still outstanding. Councillor Cooke will contact a supplier she is aware of to get a quote. At the same time, she will research quotes for 'wet pour' as a future surface for playground equipment.

The Council still awaits progress on the delivery of the new piece of equipment, the curved climber. It is hoped that it will be in place for the summer.

RESOLVED

That Council agree to the work outlined above. The motion was moved by Councillor Rowling and Seconded by Councillor Bone.

2023/122 **ROAD SAFETY ISSUES IN POOL**

Whilst the Council has long campaigned for the newly introduced 20 mph restrictions concerns continue about speeding traffic and new signs being obscured by overgrown trees. Council with Ward Councillor Barry Anderson's assistance will continue to press for a Police presence on Main Street and Arthington Road to monitor speeds until users get used to the 20-mph zone. The Highways Department at Leeds Council have also been contacted about the signs that are not visible.

Comments from Jamie Baker were discussed, and a number of problems raised had already been taken up. Council agreed that it made sense to deal with the potholes and barriers on Pool Bank New Road while work continues at the Dyneley Arms. The Council will continue to press for this work to be done as soon as possible.

Council also agreed to press for 20 mph signs to be painted on the roads at the various entrances to the zone and that the Speed Indicator Device (SID) machine be moved back to its original location.

RESOLVED

That the clerk writes to West Yorkshire Police to ask again for a Police presence on Main Street/Arthington Road to monitor speeds of traffic. Also, that Leeds City Council be contacted about the above signage, pothole issues and 20 mph road markings.

2023/123 **POOL FEAST**

Councillor Hill reported that plans for the Feast are progressing, and a number of businesses have signed up to place advertisements in publicity literature. Competitions are being organised and play equipment is being sourced.

2023/124 **GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**

Councillors considered the application for a grant from the Friends of Pool Primary School (PTA) which was outlined in their presentation. It was agreed that the Council awards the £1,000 requested.

RESOLVED

That Council approves a grant for £1,000 to the Primary School PTA, the motion was moved by Councillor Bone and seconded by Councillor Cooke.

2023/125 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Consultation Statement has been signed off by Leeds City Council and the Planning Group have made the necessary amendments. The Group will meet soon to plan the next steps for the Plan.

2023/126 **COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES**

The Clerk briefed councillors on present communication policies and practices. Research on Menston Parish Council was discussed. It was agreed to continue to use Facebook as the main communication platform for staying in touch with the local community. Information will be posted as often as possible.

2023/127 **REPORTS FROM MEMBERS**

Councillor Cooke reported that work has started on the new boardwalk at the Chevin and that a good job has been made of the repairs to the bridge.

Councillor Bone tabled a report from the meeting he attended at the Airport, the report was noted.

Councillors Lee and Cooke reported on the recent positive AGM at Old Pool Bank.

2023/128 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

The Clerk asked the Chairman to consider moving Standing Order 1V in order that the meeting can continue beyond 9.15 pm. The Chairman moved the Standing Order to allow business to continue until 9.30 pm.

2023/129 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Council discussed the 'Revised Plans Received Re-Consultation' 21/04989/RM land south of Pool Road application for 57 dwellings to include public open space. Whilst little information was readily available the Council's concerns in the letter dated October last year to the Planning Authority had not been fully addressed.

RESOLVED

That the clerk writes to the Planning Authority re-iterating its concerns about the development.

2023/130 **CLERK'S REPORT AND MONTHLY FINANCE REPORTS**

The clerk's report was noted along with the June 2023 Monthly Finance Report.

RESOLVED

That the Finance Reports for June be approved. This was moved by Councillor Rowling and seconded by Councillor Cooke.

2023/131 **TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR A FUTURE AGENDA**

Playgrounds, Pool Feast, Consultation.

Meeting Closed at 9.26 pm SIGNED BY