

Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council held at The Methodist Rooms, Manor Gardens, Pool-in-Wharfedale on Monday 3rd September 2018, commencing at 7.30pm.

Present Councillor Lee in the Chair.

Councillors Barlow, Davey, Mifsud, Parker, Rowling. Also, in attendance Parish Clerk John Ryan. Ward Councillors Barry and Caroline Anderson. Mr J Briggs and Mr B Wallace from WEIDMANN'S. Mrs B Wheeler and Mrs B Cooke.

2018/405 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUCEMENTS**

The Chairman asked Councillors to note that the annual Civic Service will be held on Sunday 7th October 2018 at the Methodist Church, Manor Gardens commencing at 10.30am. Refreshments will follow the service. Council agreed that the Chairman organise the refreshments through a local supplier. It was also noted that the Remembrance Service will take place on Sunday 11th November 2018 at 9.30am.

Councillors were asked to note that during the month (September) of Celebration of English Heritage a walk around the village was being planned for the 30th September 2018 commencing at 1.30pm from the Cornmill.

2018/406 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The meeting received a presentation from Mr John Briggs Managing Director of WEIDMANN WHITELEY. Mr Briggs outlined the main production activities at the Company, a family owned business which has been operating since the 1600's. The Company has sites around the world and exports widely. A large number of employees live locally and together with the business make a significant contribution to the local economy.

The Company site in Pool has recently turned losses into profits and is currently run on a sound financial base. However, the site is expected to finance its own improvements and is looking to spend £2.5m on major plant and equipment improvements. To this end the major source of income will come from the building of 9 houses on land adjacent the site owned by the Company and the relocation of the football pitch. The new sports facility will be as good if not better than the current facilities and will be built before the housing.

The Company is seeking Parish Council support for its plans which it believes will help secure the future of the site and future employment of its staff.

POLICE REPORT

PCSO Joel Hebden informed Council that over the last two months only one burglary had been reported, on entry a purse was stolen which contained keys to a car that was also stolen. The car was later recovered. A serious road traffic accident occurred on Arthington Lane which caused a lot of disruption. Also, the Peace Garden at the Primary School had been vandalised, the school and children were very upset at the damage which took a long time to put back as it was.

2018/407 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Morris and Ward Councillor Billy Flynn.

2018/408 **DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS.**

Councillors Parker and Barlow declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 12, Pool Recreation Ground Management Committee.

2018/409 **COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION**

Following the recent advertisement of the vacancies for Councillors no election was called. This allows the Council to co-opt Councillors. Two applicants, Barbara Wheeler and Belinda

Cooke, came forward for consideration. Both applicants made a short presentation following which Council considered their applications and agreed to appoint both as Councillors.

RESOLVED

That Council unanimously agreed the appointment of Barbara Wheeler and Belinda Cooke as Parish Councillors.

2018/410 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Councillor Davey moved that the minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 9th July 2018 be agreed, this was seconded by Councillor Barlow.

RESOLVED

That the Council accepts the minutes of the Council meeting held on Monday 9th July 2018 as a correct record.

2018/411 **PRINCE HENRY'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL**

Councillor Parker addressed the meeting informing Council of plans by the school to create a Multi Academy Trust (MAT) that will include Bramhope Primary School. The effect of Bramhope joining the MAT and the creation of a two-form entry school may mean children at Pool C of E Primary school losing out on places at Prince Henry's.

Councillor Parker asked Council to reject catchment areas that excluded parts of Pool, the Swallows and Arthington Village and to support Pool Primary School proposals that the whole of Pool be included. Councillor Caroline Anderson reminded Councillors that the criteria for entry was children with special needs, siblings and the children living nearest the school first. Formal Consultation on the proposals is due soon Council agreed to respond at that time.

RESOLVED

That Council respond to the proposals once the consultation has opened and support the plans outlined by Pool Primary School.

2018/412 **FOOTPATHS IN POOL**

A report produced by Councillor Mifsud was circulated. The inspection carried out by Councillors identified significant repairs needed to footpath signs, some stiles and removal of overgrowth obstructing paths.

In the first instance the report will be submitted to the Leeds Council Footpaths Officer to establish their responsibilities in the repair and maintenance of the footpaths.

RESOLVED

That the clerk submits the report to the Leeds CC Footpaths Officer and report back to a later meeting of Council on their response.

2018/413 **WHARFEDALE GREENWAY**

Councillor Rowling reported that the Design and Delivery Report on the Pool section of the Greenway was completed. However, Councillor Rowling has been informed that the agreement of Landowners has still to be obtained and that this was a matter for the Parish Council.

Councillors Rowling and Davey will identify the landowners concerned and take further advice from Sustrans and participating Parish Councils on how to approach the landowners to gain the necessary permissions for the Greenway.

2018/414 **POOL-IN-WHAREDALE RECREATION GROUND TRUST**

The Clerk circulated the Service Level Agreement (SLA) between the RGMC and the Parish Council and asked Council to consider the Annual Review. Councillor Rowling moved that the SLA Review be approved for another year, this was seconded by Councillor Davey.

RESOLVED

That the Annual Review of the SLA be approved and that the cheque for services

highlighted in the SLA be approved.

2018/415 **TRAFFIC CONCERNS IN POOL**

Councillor Anderson circulated information from the Traffic Management Section at Leeds Council on the reduction of speed limits on the A660 and the development of a mobile speed camera refuge bay on Leeds Road to allow the Police to monitor the speed of traffic on the A660. The Department were seeking the views of the Parish Council. Councillor Rowling moved that the plans be supported, this was seconded by Councillor Parker.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk inform Councillor Anderson and the Traffic Management Section of the Council's support for the projects.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The Clerk moved the suspension of standing orders to allow the meeting to decide whether it continued beyond 9.15pm. The Chairman moved that standing order 3w be allowed, to extend the meeting by 15 minutes to conclude urgent business.

2018/416 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Councillor Rowling outlined progress on the Plan in particular the Informal Sites Consultation and the designation of sites as Local Green Space, this was particularly pertinent to the planned developments at WEIDMANN WHITELEY. Council noted the comments.

2018/417 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Clerk reported that the following applications had been received since the last meeting. 18/04169/FU/NW Police House, Church Close. 18/04376/FU/NW Merry End, Tower Drive. 18/04243/FU/NW 29 Millcroft Estate. 18/04594/FU/NW 14 Millcroft Estate. 18/04887/FU/NW 42 Millcroft Estate. 18/05161/FU/NW unit 9 Pool Business Park. No Objections had been received. Councillors asked that the consultation period be extended for application 18/04563/LI/NW Pool Hall, Main Street.

The presentation by WEIDMANN WHITELEY was considered by councillors, who discussed the planning application for 9 houses on the site, the relocation of the sports field and the plans impact on the green belt and the Neighbourhood Plan. Councillors agreed that the matter be deferred until the next meeting to allow more time for consideration of the plans.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk ask for the consultation period to be extended for application 18/04563/LI/NW and that the application be considered at the next meeting.

2018/418 **CLERK'S REPORT**

The clerk's report has been circulated and its contents noted. Councillors approved changes to Standing Orders. Invoices not on monthly schedule: Salaries HMRC, HACS £921.00, YLCA £40.55, Garden Angels £655.00, PKF Littlejohn £360.00.

RESOLVED

That the report be approved, and invoices agreed, this was moved by Councillor Parker and seconded by Councillor Mifsud.

2018/419 **MONTHLY FINANCE REPORTS**

Councillor Parker moved that the Monthly Finance Reports for JULY 2018 be approved this was seconded by Councillor Barlow.

2018/420 **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

Monday 8th October 2018 at Old Pool Bank Village Hall, Quarry Farm Road, Pool-in-Wharfedale at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.35pm

SIGNED BY