

Fearby, Healey and District Parish Council

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Minutes from the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 30 May 2024 at 7.30pm in Fearby Village Hall

Present: Chair - K Marshall: Vice Chair: J Thompson;

Cllrs:- M Hope; J Gregg; S Searle; J Hayman; N Bromhead - G Verity:

Cllrs:- Cllr Felicity Cunliffe Lister

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2 member of the public also attended

The meeting opened at 7.50pm after the Annual Parish Meeting and began with the election of officers. The chair stepped down and the Vice Chair took the meeting. Cll Verity has been chair for 3 years and owing to personal reason requested to step down. The councillors thanked him for the work he has done and Councillor Hayman nominated Councillor Marshall to the position of chair and Councillor Bromhead seconded. No other nomination were made so Councillor Marshall became chair for the coming year.

The chair asked for nomination for vice chair. Councillor Verity was requested but he declined. Councillor Marshall then nominated Councillor Thompson which was seconded by Councillor Bromhead. No further nominations were made so Councillor Thompson took the post of vice chair for the coming year.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared a true record and signed by the Chair

Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Ellingstring Defibrillator. This has now been installed by North Yorkshire Council contractors however, it is still awaiting connection to the power supply. The clerk has registered the defibrillator but will chase up the electric connection.

Ellingstring Noticeboard. This is now complete and installed. A photograph was distributed among the councillors to show the new one in place. The clerk advised he was still awaiting invoices from Mr Teece and Cllr Marshall who made the frame.

Healey Defibrillator. Councillor Marshall advised that this would be connected on 31 May and would be available from then. The clerk will register it on the national database.

Defibrillator Training. A few members of the public have queried any defibrillator training for the new defibrillators which have been installed. The clerk will research any available training but they seem to be self-explanatory. The clerk will report back next meeting.

Dog Waste Bins. A member of the public voluntarily empties the bin in Fearby village but it is a poor state of repair. The clerk advised he has contacted Harrogate regarding an extra one on Healey but has not had any reply as yet. He will chase the request up.

Planning

The clerk has received two preservation orders for trees in Fearby. One is the willow tree which was alerted to Swinton Estate as being dangerous. This was due to be pollarded but North Yorkshire Council has put a preservation order on it as it says its still healthy. It is however, dangerous so needs some repair so Swinton Estate Tree specialist will liaise with the North Yorkshire Council.

The second tree preservation order was for an ash tree at the rear of Greenacres which was due to be felled as it was thought to have Ash dieback. The preservation order is a temporary one for six months to assess the health during the summer as it was just coming into leaf.

Finance

The account spreadsheet of allocations were passed rounds the councillors who agreed the allocations so bank statements were signed by the chair.

The clerks expenses were agree at £32.28.

The Annual Governance Accountability Return was agreed and signed by the chair and clerk in the presence of the councillors.

Highways –

The clerk read the list of issues raised at the last meeting and noted the ones which were still outstanding. The Give Way Sign at the junction of Haregill Bank and Cote lane is still missing. The bushes on Haregill Bank in High Ellington are causing vehicles to destroy the verge as they have to go round them. The drain is still collapsed at the junction of Cote Lane and Keld Bank.

A member of the public has erected a No Parking sign on the highway in Ilton. It was also noted that there are various stones and posts put on the edge of the highway in the village. These are on highways land and the councillors believe that they are illegal. Ther clerk will contact highways to see if there is anything they can do regarding these motoring hazards as hitting the stones or pegs could damage a car or create serious injury to cyclists and the no parking sign is on public land.

There is still no footbridge over Swinney Beck at Warren Gill on Crook Lane despite promises to replace it. The clerk will chase this up.

Other Business.

Councillor Felicity Cunliffe Lister gave a quick report from her position on North Yorkshire Council. She did not know of the transfer of Kell Bank School back to the Diocese of Leeds. Broadband connectivity is still ongoing and awaiting an announcement of the preferred provider. The home to school consultation is now closed so awaiting the decision for school transport to be paid for if not going to the nearest catchment school.

AOB for next meeting

Kerb stones are being laid opposite the village hall. This was always thought to be highways land and available for parking for village hall patrons. Councillor Thompson will look into this.

No other items were received so the chair closed the meeting

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

The next meeting will be held on 25 July at 7.30 in Fearby Village Hall