

Arkendale, Coneythorpe & Clareton
Parish Council

**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21st September
2022 in Arkendale Community Hall.**

Present: Cllr J West (Chair), Cllr M Robertshaw, Cllr O Quarmby Cllr B Cope

In Attendance: Emma Barker (Clerk)
Cllr R Windass
6 members of the public

2022.23 Apologies for absence – None

2022.24 Declarations of Interest – None

2022.25 Public Participation – Cllr J West welcomed all to the meeting

2022.26 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18th May 2022 were agreed and signed by the chair.

2022.27 Reports from County and Borough Councillors

Cllr Robert Windass addressed attendees and provided the following updates:

- The new unitary authority is progressing with Richard Flinton now appointed as Chief Executive, however there is still a lot of work to do. 16% of HBC staff have left, it is thought mainly due to job security.
- Waste collections are struggling due to staff shortages, general waste collections are managing to stick to schedule, however occasional recycling collections are being missed
- Some local councils are opposing the new proposed waste bins
- Highways are still under significant pressure since taking this back in-house in May 2021, this is following the failures of the contractor which was previously in place. New gully machines purchased have failed and have had to be returned meaning equipment is being hired at a larger expense and progress is therefore slower. Highways are also having difficulties with staff recruitment and retention with the unitary authority approaching.
- Cllr West asked how progress of the Harrogate Plan for housing development, Cllr Windass advised that this is being managed well.
- Cllr West also asked for any update on Flaxby Park, Cllr Windass advised applications so far have been rejected and there are no updates on future plans at the moment.

2022.28 Appointment of New Parish Councillor

Cllr Ben Cope was appointed as new Parish Councillor and signed the *Declaration of Acceptance* alongside the clerk.

2022.29 Confirmation of Councillor Responsibilities

Following the appointment of the new councillor, responsibilities were agreed as below:

Planning – Cllr O Quarmby

Highways and Policing – Cllr M Robertshaw

Countryside Matters and Fly Tipping – Cllr Ben Cope

YLCA – Cllr J West

2022.30**Finance Report**

The following payments/receipts were advised:

1. Payment of £8.00 – HSBC Bank Charges (May 22)
2. Payment of £25.00 – Community Hall Hire
3. Payment of £88.47 – Clerk Salary May
4. Payment of £50.00 – J West Coneythorpe Jubilee Donation
5. Payment of £8.00 – HSBC Bank Charges (June 22)
6. Payment of £1680.00 – The Tree People Mar Maintenance
7. Payment of £88.47 – Clerk Salary June
8. Payment of £66.40 – Income Tax Q1
9. Payment of £8.00 – HSBC Bank Charges (July 22)
10. Payment of £64.02 – Autela Payroll Q1
11. Payment of £88.67 – Clerk Salary July
12. Payment of £8.00 - HSBC Bank Charges (Aug 22)
13. Payment of £88.47 – Clerk Salary Aug

All councillors were provided with a copy of the current accounts.

2022.31**Planning Report**

Decisions

- Application 6.87.6.A.FUL 22/02094/FUL - Erection of single storey link extension – Treelow, Coneythorpe – Granted STC.
- Application 6.78.67.P.FUL 22/00688/FUL - Conversion of granary and stable block to form ancillary living accommodation - Pond House Farm, Arkendale – Granted STC.

Applications

- Application 6.87.16.N.FUL 22/03059/FUL– Change of use: Lamb housing, agricultural building, domestic horse keeping and riding facilities - Clareton Farm, Coneythorpe.

Appeals - None

Applications received since the publication of the agenda and prior to the meeting – None

2022.32**Highways**

Holgate Bridge – No update

Cllr Robertshaw advised that following a report from a resident with the registrations, times and dates of vehicles exceeding the 7.5t weight restriction, these occasions have been reported to and acknowledged by Environmental Health and the Police.

2022.33**Countryside Matters and Fly Tipping**

Cllr Cope is the new appointment and has nothing to report for this area yet.

2022.34**Village Reports****Arkendale**

- Church Outreach Donation – It was agreed that the Parish Council will provide £100 towards the ongoing Church outreach projects

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- Defibrillator – Cllr West advised that delivery will be 3-4 weeks. £1470.59 is the final cost. £1000 is covered by the grant received, the remainder is to be split between The Tiger and the PC.
- Potholes – Cllr West has no update and is continuing to chase
- Green Lane TPO – Cllr West advised a resident of Green Lane had applied to HBC Planning for the removal of the TPO and the felling of the Maple Tree in question, this was rejected by HBC and as such Cllr West proposed that the sums held in reserve for this be used in an alternate project in support of the original Incinerator screening plans. This was agreed in principle and the Council awaits the detailed proposal from Cllr West.

- 2022.35** **Correspondence Received** - None
- 2022.36** **Public Consultation**
 Cllr Quarmby has been gathering feedback from residents and has four suggestions so far:
1 – Footpaths, dog friendly stiles
2 – Dog fouling project
3 – Village pump work
4 – Graveyard hedge project
- Cllr West is going to follow up with consultation in Coneythorpe
- 2022.37** **Funding Opportunities**
 Cllr West advised no opportunities have been found at present
- 2022.38** **Arkendale.gov.uk**
 Cllr West advised progress is being made and he is currently gathering quotes.
- 2022.39** **The Mar / Tree and Hedge Project**
 Cllr Quarmby advised that The Mar registration process is ongoing. The Land Registry have identified a dispute with a resident over the Mar boundaries. It was agreed for Cllr Quarmby to discuss with the resident to attempt to come to a resolution.
- 2022.40** **Friends of the Mar Group**
 Cllr Quarmby reported on the continued success of the group with a core group of 10 people committed to continue with the maintenance of the Mar and the village pump area.
- 2022.41** **Vacancy for Parish Clerk**
 Cllr Quarmby advised that he has found an interested candidate and he will advise on progress over the coming week.
- 2022.42** **Matters for Inclusion on the Next Agenda**
 Commuted Sums
- 2022.43** **Date and Time of Next Meeting**
 The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 23rd November 2022 in the Arkendale Community at 7.30pm.

Signed Dated