

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 09 April 2019.**

**Present;** Councillors; Chalkley, Barnsley, Bennett, Hampshire, Kimbley,  
Robinson and Schofield.  
Clerk to the Council; Barry Riley

**In attendance;** 3 members of the public.  
District Councillor; Manifold.  
1 Police Officer.

**04/866 Report from W.Y.Police Officers working on Crofton Safe Scheme**  
PS Stein, presented the Safe Scheme report for April 2019.

It was noted that once again there were a number of nuisance incidents involving youths, Cllr Chakley commented that the number of arrests did not reflect the number of incidents. PS Stein (the NPT Sergeant for the area), stated that this was due to a lack of evidence or because suspects could not be identified, he commented that he was considering introducing a dispersal order as a solution.

Cllr Barnsley commented on the number of incidents that had occurred in the previous twelve months (detailed on the report), comment was made that more action was required to stop the situation escalating.

Cllr Manifold considered that the yearly totals detailed on the report were the worse he had seen and suggested they were more that the surrounding villages combined. A resident commented that following the installation of a security camera (recommended by the Police), it had reduced crime committed on his property.

**04/867 Wakefield MDC District Councillors Report**

District Councillor Manifold gave an update on matters discussed at previous meetings in particular;

Following the comment made by a resident concerning the playground (see minute 03/849), an inspection had taken place.

He provided the Clerk with a response from WMDC concerning Hogweed/Knotweed, the Clerk would circulate the response to members.

He was present at a meeting on the upper section of the Sidings with WMDC Officers Andy Higham and Tim Johnson, discussing concerns about the waterways, partial flooding's and the attenuation ponds, they agreed that something wanted doing. It was considered that ENGIE were responsible for a number of issues, a report would be sent to the Clerk to circulate to members.

An informative meeting had taken place concerning the allocation of s106 money which was available to the Parish Council, however the amount originally agreed had been reduced due to work being carried out which the Parish Council had not been informed about.

Cllr Manifold was informed that (following recent works, see minute 03/848), the speed bumps on Slack Lane were missing, he duly noted the comment.

Comment was also made about the lack of enforcement to deal with cars parking on the pavements and skips being left causing obstructions on Slack Lane.

**04/868 Public Participation session**

Comment was made by residents about the parking of vehicles on footpaths at

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Springhill Drive/Pinfold Drive and the actions of one particular resident, they were informed that Enforcement action was being taken to deal with the problem which had previously been reported to the Police (see minute 04/650).

Following recent discussions regarding Climate Change (see minute 03/849), the resident had attended at WMDC to discuss the matter, she was informed that the Council had no integrated policy at present, but they were planning to do so. It had been noted that someone working on behalf of HS2 was recording information whilst present on the off road footpath between Slack Lane/Doncaster Road.

**04/869                      Apologies for absence**

District Councillors; Cummings and Heptinstall.  
Councillor; Ripley.

**04/870                      Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

**04/871                      Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**04/872                      Matters arising from previous minutes**

No matters arising.

**04/873                      Community Facilities**

Report Parish Centre

Arrangements would be made for residents to attend at the Centre over the weekend of 04-05 May, to view the drawings of the proposed building and to offer their comments. A cost for the fabric and services of the building would be ascertained from the Architect.

Following discussion it was agreed to delay the Asbestos Survey being carried out.

Report Village Association

Cllr Bennett reported that;

The S106 money (minute 04/867), to be spent on green spaces, would prove beneficial to the Sidings area.

Cllr Kimbley was keeping a log of the ground maintenance work being carried out to check if it conformed to the schedule.

Report Allotments

The Clerk confirmed a further letter had been sent to allotment tenant 48 at Hare Park (see minute 03/854), it was agreed to defer any decision on legal action being taken.

Report Parish Cemetery

It was agreed that the Clerk provide permission for the erection of a memorial, but remind Normington & Son that not adhering to the rules was unacceptable.

Report Website

Nothing to report.

**04/874                      Traffic issues**

Nothing to report.

**04/875                      Cleansing/Environment**

Nothing to report.

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**04/876 Planning Notifications**

Members duly noted the applications and decisions received. in particular application 19/00222/FUL, concerning the erection of a two storey detached house with 2no parking spaces at 29 Slack Lane, Cllr Bennett had prepared a response which would be circulated to members to appraise, the Clerk would submit an objection subject to members in attendance disagreeing.

**04/877 Financial matters**

Members were in agreement with the content of the monthly payments and receipts and bank reconciliation report for appropriate governance.

The Clerk provided members with a list of invoices for payment for the month of April 2019;

**Resolved:** that the following be approved and passed for payment:

<u>Cheque</u>	<u>Payee;</u>	<u>Details;</u>	<u>£</u>
102783	Hampshire	Windows	18.00
102784	WMDC	Rates	810.15
102785	Mayfair	Security	582.00
102786	Zurich	Insurance	3846.16
102787	Falon	Plaque	168.12
102788	WMDC	Leases	10.00
102789	YLCA	Subscription	887.00
BACS	HMRC	Income Tax	302.61
<b>Total £</b>			<b>6624.04</b>

Members duly noted the content of the quarterly accounts.

Following discussion it was agreed to appoint YIAS as the Internal Auditor.

**04/878 Consider and discuss correspondence received**

Members noted the content of the information received.

**04/879 HS2**

Nothing to discuss.

**04/880 Parish matters**

Cllr Schofield passed comment on the article placed in the Beacon concerning the cost for a burial in the Parish Council graveyard, he thought the cost stated was misleading, Cllr Chalkley noted the comment.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would provide funding for two copies of the Parish Register to be made, one would be kept in the Parish Council archive and another made available and retained in the Library for reference.

Cllr Chalkley was thanked for agreeing to do the copying of the pages.

Having considered the conditions imposed by WMDC on providing Hanging Baskets, members agreed to accept the quote received from Plantscape to provide them.

Cllr Bennett provided members with an update on the work being undertaken by L.I.V.E.Crofton (see minute 03/849).

**04/881 Date of next meeting**

Resolved; the Annual Parish Council meeting would be held on Tuesday 14 May

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2019 at 7pm in Crofton Parish Centre, High Street, Crofton.

**04/882            Members of the public and press were to leave before agenda no.19**

It was agreed.

**04/883            Matters to be discussed at the exclusion of the public and press**

Nothing discussed.

Signed .....

Date.....

Chairman Crofton Parish Council