

Hirst Courtney & West Bank Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting. Monday 22nd February 2021 at 7.00pm via Zoom Video Conferencing Application.

Present:

Councillors: Cllr R. Wagstaff (chairman), Cllr I. Forbes (vice-chairman), Cllr J. Barratt, Cllr G. Burbidge, Cllr A. McGuigan, Cllr C. Stephenson

Proper Officer/Clerk: Mrs S. Rockliff

Members of the Public: two

85. Apologies for Absence

85.1 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Webster

85.2 Councillors considered whether the reason for Cllr Webster's absence was acceptable.

Resolved that the reason for Cllr Webster's absence was an acceptable reason.

86 Declarations of Interest

There were no disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

87 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 25th January 2021 were considered.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting be accepted as a correct record.

88. Questions from the Public

There were no questions from the public.

89. Clerk's Report for On-going Matters

89.1. Contacted SDC Planning Enforcement re: the former school. Planning Enforcement said that a letter had been sent to the developer and an inspection would be taking place at some point.

89.2. The Funding Requirement Form has been submitted and receipt acknowledged by SDC.

~~89.3.~~ Has the power supply for the defibrillator been checked? A councillor confirmed that the electricity supply for the ~~defibrillator~~ **cabinet heater** had been checked, a fuse had been replaced and the ~~defibrillator was now charging properly;~~ **cabinet heater is now working properly.**

89.4. The council need to consider appointing an Internal Auditor for the AGAR 2020/2021.

Resolved that:

- i) the Clerk's report be noted; and**
- ii) The repair of the defibrillator be noted;**
- iii) Yorkshire Internal Audit Services would be asked to complete the Internal Audit.**

90. Correspondence Received

90.1. SDAVS updates

Minutes approved at the Full Meeting of the Council held on the 29th March 2021. Agenda Item 106.

- 90.2. YLCA White Rose updates
- 90.3. YLCA Training and new login details for councillors
- 90.4. SDC Communications Local Government reorganisation
- 90.5. SDC Communications Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles
- 90.6. Cllr Carl Les, NYCC proposals for Local Government Reorganisation
- 90.7. Census Information
- 90.8. HSBC Acknowledgement that a Safeguard review has been completed
- 90.9. SDC Communications Local Plan Consultation
- 90.10. 2021 Census information
- 90.11. Environment Agency re repairs to the riverbank at West Marsh.

Resolved that the Correspondence Received be noted.

91. Flooding Matters

- 91.1. Councillors received a copy of the ‘Notes from the Meeting held on the 16th February 2021 to Consider the Flooding of the Parishes of Hirst Courtney and West Bank in February 2020’.

A member of the public expressed concern that members of the parish were not informed of the meeting that the Parish Council had convened. The clerk replied on behalf of the Council that the Selby District Councillor had been asked to convene the meeting as he had appropriate video conferencing and he knew the contact details for the agencies involved. The clerk apologised for not putting details of the meeting on the noticeboards.

- 91.2. A councillor reported that a petition had been sent to residents of Hirst Courtney regarding the dissolution of the Parish Council and the forming of two separate councils for West Bank and Hirst Courtney. A member of the public was given permission to speak by the Chairman. They said that there was a feeling of dissatisfaction amongst some residents of West Bank, they did not feel included by the Parish Council and were underrepresented as there was only one councillor for West Bank on the council. They had decided to have their own Parish Council and had created a petition to submit to Selby District Council requesting the dissolution of the Parish Council. The clerk was given permission to speak by the Chairman. The clerk outlined some of the implications for dissolving the Parish Council and said that members of the parish should be made aware of the implications before being asked to sign a petition.

Resolved that:

- i) **the ‘Notes from the Meeting held on the 16th February 2021 to Consider the Flooding of the Parishes of Hirst Courtney and West Bank in February 2020’ be noted; and**
- ii) **Advice be sought from the YLCA and SDC regarding the petition.**

92. Planning Matters.

There were no Planning Matters for consideration by the council.

