

Londesborough with Easthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Londesborough Parish Council held remotely via Microsoft Teams on Monday 8 March, 2021, at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr G Stephenson (Chair), Cllr K Watson, Cllr E Lloyd-Huitson, Cllr T Hudson, Cllr J Dickinson-Shaw, Cllr L Rooks.
S Moore (Clerk)

12/21 Cllr Stephenson, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence received from Cllr A Fisher and Cllr J Dunning.

13/21 Declaration of Interest. The Parish Councils Code of Conduct. To record any declarations of interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda. There were no declarations of interest.

14/21 To resolve that the meeting is temporarily suspended to allow for a period of Public Participation. Cllr Stephenson welcomed Nick Milson to the meeting. Nick had expressed an interest in joining the Council and was able to have an informal discussion with Councillors and tell them a little about himself. Cllr Stephenson thanked Nick for his interest and for joining the meeting.

15/21 The minutes of meeting held on 11 January 2021 were proposed by Cllr Hudson, seconded by Cllr Dickinson-Shaw and agreed as a true record and Cllr Stephenson signed them as such on behalf of the council.

16/21 Election of Vice Chair. Cllr K Watson was nominated, it was proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Cllr Dickinson-Shaw and unanimously agreed that Cllr Watson be elected as Vice Chair.

It was proposed that a letter of thanks be written to Cllr Jayne Fisher who had resigned from the Council, expressing the Council's thanks for all her work over the years as a councillor, Chairman and Vice-Chair of the Parish Council.

The Clerk advised that as Cllr Watson was already a signatory on the bank account an additional signatory was required. Cllr Stephenson proposed and Cllr Watson seconded and it was agreed that Cllr Dickinson-Shaw be added as a signatory on the bank account.

17/21 To consider co-option of a Councillor – The Clerk informed the Council there was a vacancy on the Parish Council which had been advertised and could now be filled by co-option. Cllr Dickinson-Shaw proposed and Cllr Lloyd-Huitson seconded and it was agreed that Nick Milson be co-opted and would join the Council at the next meeting after signing a declaration of office.

18/21 To receive the clerk's report on matters being progressed from previous meetings.

ERFPA Food Parcel Distribution Boxes – These were now available in the village in the porch of 14 Top Street and would be replenished as required.

Potholes – The Clerk reported that the potholes on Intake Hill and Shiptonthorpe Lane along with the pictures had been submitted to the Council. It was also noted that the potholes on the road between Londesborough and Burnby were being mended currently.

Maintenance of Hopper – The Clerk had been in touch with Ian Bessey who had serviced the hopper. He did not want reimbursement for this as he did this for the people of the village, but suggested a donation to the Church or the Wendy House (fund raising for Macmillan/Cancer research). After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Stephenson, seconded by Cllr Dickinson-Shaw and agreed to donate £20 to the Wendy House charity.

Salt Supplies – The salt supply of the Parish Council was low due to the icy weather recently. It was agreed to assess the situation at the July meeting and consider if a further supply of salt would be needed for the winter period.

Councillor Contact Details – A draft contact list had been circulated. The Clerk asked if any amendments needed to be made.

19/21 Remote Meetings

Discussion took place with regard to legislation around the holding of remote meetings. An amendment to the legislation removed the requirement to hold a parish meeting last year. After 7 May 2021 however there will again be a requirement to hold a parish meeting to be held between the 1 March and 1 June. Councillors agreed that the concert hall in the village would provide a larger space for a meeting, the Clerk was instructed to provisionally book this and it would be reviewed nearer the date in May.

20/21 Appointment of New Clerk – this item was moved to the end of the meeting.

21/21 Finance

a. To approve accounts to 28 February 2021

Cllr Hudson proposed and Cllr Watson seconded and agreed the statement of accounts to 28 February 2021 were approved.

b. To approve payment of accounts as per schedule 1

Cllr Stephenson proposed and Cllr Dickinson-Shaw seconded and the payments of the accounts as per schedule 1 were approved.

Cllr Hudson made an enquiry with regard to the Parish Council's donation to the PCC for the Church Clock and the clerk would report back to the next meeting.

Cllr Watson checked the bank reconciliation on behalf of the Council.

22/21 Correspondence

ERYC – Transport Champions – Lockdown 3 Buses
ERYC – New Model Code of Conduct
ERYC – Paul Tripp Londesborough Gritting
ERYC – Draft Flood Risk Supplementary Planning Document
ERYC – Weather Warnings
Census 2021 - Introduction
Scotland to England green Link project SEGL2
ERYC – Courtesy copy covid 19 members briefing 21 Jan
ERYC – Community Response Hub – Latest update 22 Jan
NHS Vale of York covid 19 vaccination update
ERYC – Members Briefing Covid 19 - 29 Jan 2021
Survey of Parish & Town Councillors in ER on Joint Mayoral Authority
ERYC – Face to Face Meetings and Parish Meeting Mathew Buckley
Humberside Police – Feb Newsletter
ERYC – Members Briefing Covid 19 – 11 Feb 2021
ERYC – Devolution letter from Caroline Lacey 17 Feb 2021
Cllr Richard Burton response to Cllr Nolan
ERYC – Emergency Temp Road Closure – Cleaving Garth
Conservative Chairman – Community Recovery Grant

Bench on Corner of Top Street – the Clerk had received an email from the Frear family who wished to make the Parish Council aware that this seat would be maintained at all times by the family. The Clerk had informed ERYC maintenance and also made a note of this for future reference and was now making Councillors aware of this information.

23/21 Councillors reports

Street Lights – Cllr Hudson reported on information after discussions with ERYC regarding adoption of the street lighting. The Council have a level 1 SLA for maintenance, repair and energy consumption. ERYC assume that the lighting standards are owned by the Parish Council. ERYC has no legal obligation to do this and would only contemplate adoption of fully compliant comprehensive schemes. The Londesborough scheme is neither compliant, nor comprehensive because of illumination levels and lamp standard distribution. All costs to achieve this would need to be borne by the Parish Council. Cllr Stephenson thanked Cllr Hudson for the information and after discussion it was felt that at this point there was nothing more that the Council could do.

Dogs on Leads – An email had been received with regard to keeping dogs on leads. After full discussion it was agreed that a notice should be put on notice board reminding residents and visitors.

Defibrillator – Cllr Lloyd-Huitson offered to take over responsibility for the defibrillator.

Community Recovery Grant – Cllr Dickinson-Shaw suggested that when this became available that the Council should look to apply for this to use for defibrillator training for people in the village. This was agreed and the Clerk would look out for this grant becoming available.

Quarry – Councillors discussed the problem caused by lorries leaving the quarry and wondered if it might be possible to set up a quarry working party with representatives also from Nunburnholme and Burnby Parish Councils. Cllr Stephenson confirmed that there had been a group previously. Councillors felt that it would be advantageous if this could be attended by a representative from ERYC who would be able to answer questions and sort any problems directly with the quarry owners. The Clerk was instructed to write to Ward Cllr Stathers to see if it would be possible for this to be set up by the Ward Councillors with possibly a couple of meetings per year to address Parish Council concerns.

24/21 Date of next meeting– the next meeting to be held on Monday 17 May 2021.

20/21 In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the meeting was closed to the press and public.

The Clerk had given notice of her resignation. After discussion arrangements were made to advertise the vacancy. A personnel committee of Cllrs Stephenson, Watson and Dickinson-Shaw was appointed to interview applicants and make a recommendation to the next council meeting. The Clerk was asked to stay in post at least until the next meeting.