Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council

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Minutes of a meeting of Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council on 9th May 2015 2017 in Yapham Village hall at 7.50pm

**Present**: Cllr Arnold, Cllr P Bradley , Cllr L Hammond, Cllr K Moverley, Cllr R O'Gram,

J. Green (clerk), one member of the public.

**44/17** Cllr Bradley welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr L Gray.

**45/17 The following officers were elected**

**Chairman - Cllr Bradley** proposed by Cllr Arnold and seconded by Cllr Moverley

**Vice Chairman - Cllr Arnold** proposed by Cllr Bradley and seconded by Cllr Moverley

**Councillor with Finance responsibilities - Cllr O'Gram,**

 **representative on the Crime Prevention Panel - Cllr Moverley**

 **and representative on the Western Parishes Liaison Group - Cllr Moverley**

were proposed by Cllr Bradley and seconded by Cllr Hammond and agreed.

**46/17 The Annual Governance Statement was approved**, proposed by Cllr Hammond and seconded by Cllr Bradley . Cllr Bradley signed the statement on behalf of the council.

**47/17 The Accounts for 2016/17 were approved,** proposed by Cllr Moverley and seconded by Cllr Hammond. Cllr Bradley signed the accounts on behalf of the council.

**48/17 The financial arrangements for the coming year were approved as follows:**

The Financial Standing Orders, the appointment of Steve Young as internal auditor and the bank signatories to remain as Cllrs Bradley, Gray and O'Gram, with any 2 to sign cheques were all proposed by Cllr Moverley , seconded by Cllr Arnold and agreed.

**49/17 Declaration of Interest**. There were no declarations of interest.

**50/17 The minutes of meeting held on 11th April 2017** were proposed by Cllr Moverley , seconded by Cllr Arnold and agreed as a true and accurate record and Cllr Bradley signed them as such on behalf of the council.

**51/17 The clerk's report on matters being progressed from previous meetings.**

**The Gravel Pit Field**

Cllrs Gray and Arnold had visited the field and photographed the trees on the field boundary. Branches overhanging the allotments in the past had been trimmed back and there were now no branches above the area being gardened. The risk of anyone being injured by a falling branch was very low.

It was reported that only 5 allotments are currently let to parishioners as some tenants had given up their allotments.

It was agreed to invite the chair of the allotments association to the next meeting to discuss any issues arising from the association's tenancy of the field.

**52/17 Planning**

17/01104/PLF Proposal: Erection of two storey extension to rear

Location: 4 The Square Yapham East Riding Of Yorkshire YO42 1PJ

Applicant: Mrs C Simpson Application type: Full Planning Permission

Councillors had some concerns about the size of the extension and its impact on the neighbouring properties . Providing adequate safeguards were put in place to protect the rights of the neighbours then there were no further objections to the application.

**53/17 Transparency Code funding**

It was agreed to apply for further funding to cover the clerk's time spent in complying with the code.

**54/17 The clerk's rate of pay**

Clerks had been awarded a pay rise from the 1st April under the National Joint Council for Local Government Services. It was agreed that the clerk should receive the appropriate pay award for her scale point. Cllr Bradley was to inform the payroll agency.

**55/17 Accounts**

The bank balance was £4846.35, which included the precept for 2017/18 of £2700.

The payment below was approved :

Clerk's salary April £133.81

**56/17 Correspondence**

Humberside Police newsletter

ERYC invitation to Civic Evensong

ERYC invitation to Festival of St John service

ERYC re referral of East Riding of Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Group's decision, regarding urgent care centres and community beds, to the Secretary of State for Health

ERNLLCA being a good Councillor Training

ERNLLCA April Newsletter

National Association of Local Councils Star Councils awards

Channel 4 and Village of the Year

ERYC antisocial behaviour statistics

Clerks &Councils Direct

ERYC re Overview and Scrutiny meetings

Wolds Heritage Trust - re-arranged fracking presentation on Thur 18 May

**57/17 Councillors reports**

Cllr O'Gram reported that the church was having difficulty getting the churchyard grass cut. To employ a contractor was going to cost £1000. The Parish Council had made no provision in the budget to support this so could not at this stage offer a contribution.

Cllr Arnold reported that an ERYC Highways officer had visited the site at High Bields, which was causing concern, without meeting residents. He had left a message to say that he had no concerns with the new position of the hedge. The clerk was asked to request a plan from the Highways department showing the boundary of the highway and verge.

**58/17 Date of next meeting Tuesday 6th June**