

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BILTON IN AINSTY WITH BICKERTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN TOCKWITH SPORTS HALL ON MONDAY 16 JANUARY 2023

Present:

Councillors: Mrs J Hanson (Chair), Mrs D Podlewska, Mrs J Gray, Mr K Talling, Mr S Harrison

County/District Councillor: Mr A Paraskos

Mr L T I Grant (Clerk/RFO)

1. Apologies for Absence

Mrs J Farnworth

2. Public Questions and Statements

No questions or statements had been received from members of the public.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 November 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2022 were approved as a true record by all Cllrs present without abstention.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting Held on 12 November 2022

4.1 Grass Verge Maintenance 2023

Cllrs agreed to invite the contractor to undertake regular maintenance of the grass verges in the Parish during the 2023 cutting season. This is assumed to be May 2023 to October 2023, subject to the rate of growth of the grass, which will be affected by weather conditions.

5. Police Matters.

Nothing to report.

6. Financial Mayters

6.1 No funds were received.

6.2 Bank Balance at 31.12.22:

- Charity Business Account £8,168.81

6.3 Invoice Received and to be Paid

- £15.00 room hire Tockwith Sports Hall 21.01.23
- Clerk's quarterly Invoice £1,615.34 (£1,314.94 Salary & Expenses + £300.40 PAYE) paid with prior approval from Councillors
- Amazon (via Clerk's Amazon Prime Account) £370.95 (£309.12 + £61.83) Replacement defibrillator battery (already purchased)

7. Planning and Related Matters

7.1 Planning Applications received & to be Determined

- Grange House Main Street Bickerton - - Erection of single storey Timber Framed 2 car Space carport.

After discussion Cllrs agreed that the Clerk would be asked to respond:

(A) The Parish Council has **No Objections**

7.2 Planning decision notifications received

- Bilton Hags York Road Bilton in Ainsty – New single storey extension, garage conversion and other works **APPROVED**

7.3 Planning Enforcement

- Illegal containers Elmfield Main Street Bickerton

The Enforcement Officer will now take appropriate action to ensure removal of the illegal containers

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8 PC Administration

8.1 PARISH.UK network invitation.

After discussion, Cllrs decided not to accept the invitation to join the network.

8.2 Defibrillator Bickerton

Cllrs discussed the use and location of the Bickerton defibrillator following an incident in December 2022, when access to the cabinet could not be made. The access problem appeared to be a misunderstanding about the direction in which the cabinet handle should be moved to open the cabinet door.

Batteries and pads for the defibrillator have a limited life even when not in use, so the timing of the purchase of a spares is difficult to predict.

Cllrs agreed that refresher courses on the use of the defibrillator should be encouraged. The local Bickerton retired Paramedic will be asked for advice about refresher courses for local residents.

8.3 412 Bus Service Withdrawal

Cllrs Mr S Harrison had attended another meeting of the local action group formed to maintain bus services to Wetherby and York. Survey results are being collated and will be circulated to all local PCs.

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Cllrs agreed that this PC should express its support for the work being undertaken by the action group.

8.4 HBC Properties and Tenants

The new resident in the HBC property in Bickerton has contacted the District Councillor to discuss her problems and has been visited by HBC Social workers.

8.5 Jubilee Village Seat Bickerton.

The new hardwood seat is being stored until the weather improves and the groundworker is available. A site meeting will be held to arrange to confirm the location for the proposed seat. The Bickerton Farm Manager will be contacted to confirm the location on the Highway Verge outside Stud Farm.

9. Councillors Business Items for the next Meeting

Proposed Upgrade to the first World War Artillery Shell War Memorial in Bickerton to reflect all conflicts and costs involved.

11 Dates for Future monthly Meetings

20 February, 20 March, 17 April. 15 May and 19 June 2023.

Meetings to be held in Tockwith Sports Hall at 7.30pm

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