

**BRANDBY CUM STEARBY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN CHOLMELEY HALL**

**ON THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Ricky Pearson-Adams (Chairman), Marcus Watson, Martin Waite, Keith Snowball & Calum Lyon.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Caroline Hawcroft (Retiring Clerk), Nigel Knapton (Locum Clerk), North Yorkshire Cllr Malcolm Taylor.  
No members of the public.

**23/8 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Ricky Pearson was unanimously elected as Chairman for the year.

**23/9 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Calum Lyon was unanimously elected as Chairman for the year.

**23/10 APOLOGIES & DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no apologies. There were no declarations of interests.

**23/11 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 MAY 2023**

Minutes previously circulated and these were accepted.

**23/12 PUBLIC FORUM**

There were no members of the public present.

**23/13 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Taylor reported on the financial situation at the new Council and the savings that had already been made. Questions were asked regarding various highways matters including road closures and notice given.

**23/14 CLERK'S REPORT**

- a. The Westfield Car Parking licence had been drafted by the solicitors and would be circulate to Councillors.
- b. A letter had been sent to residents regarding parking in the village hall car park.
- c. No current action was needed on speeding in the village.
- d. The footway from the 30mph sign to the rectory corner would be cleared.
- e. The current tenant of the land adjacent to Bath House would be giving their notice. An advert would be placed in the Easingwold Advertiser for a new tenant once this had taken place.
- f. A request would be made to NYC Highways resurface Jaol Lane.
- g. Caroline Hawcroft was retiring as Clerk and the post would be temporarily filled by Nigel Knapton. A new Clerk would be sought as soon as practicable. The Chairman thanked Caroline for her work.
- h. The new website was up and running. Pictures of the village were required to replace the stock images.

Approved ..... Chairman

- 23/15**      **BANKING**  
 It was agreed that the Council's banking arrangements be transferred to Unity Trust Bank
- 23/16**      **POLICIES**  
 Various draft policies had been circulated to Councillors. These would be considered at the December meeting.
- 23/17**      **MEETING DATES**  
 The following future meeting dates were agreed:
- Tuesday 5 December 2023  
 Tuesday 6 February 2024  
 Tuesday 28 May 2024  
 Tuesday 3 September 2024  
 Tuesday 3 December 2024  
 Tuesday 4 February 2025  
 Tuesday 6 May 2025
- The Chombley Hall would be booked for these dates.
- 23/18**      **VILLAGE & HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE**  
 The tanker collecting the village sewage from the tank at Beck House, Stearsby blocks the road for 45 minutes. The Clerk would contact Yorkshire Water to ask for a smaller vehicle to be sent in future.  
 A water leak onto the Highway in Brandsby had still not been fixed. The Clerk would contact Richard Ward at Brandsby Water.  
 The triangle of land at the end of Dale Cottages was being used for parking by a resident. This was blocking village signs. The Clerk would contact NYC Highways for a solution.  
 The highway on the Crayke Road from Cherry Tree Hill Corner to Crab Tree Corner was collapsing. The Clerk would report this to NYC Highways.
- 23/19**      **PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED**  
 The planning applications considered are attached.
- 23/20**      **PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS**  
 The planning decisions are attached.
- 23/21**      **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
- a. The receipts and payment, actuals vs. budget and bank balances were noted.
  - b. The attached payments were agreed.
- 23/22**      **CORRESPONDENCE**  
 All valid correspondence had been dealt with on the agenda.

**23/23      MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA**

- Council Policies
- Clerk's salary & other arrangements
- Setting of 2024/25 budget.
- Setting of 2024/25 precept.

**23/24      DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next full council meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 December 2023 at 7pm.

The meeting ended at 8.46pm

**Payments**

JKE Design

Website

£337.50

Approved ..... Chairman