

Yealand Conyers Parish Council

Minutes of the parish council meeting held at the Quaker Meeting House on Wednesday 5th September 2018 at 7.45pm.

Present: Cllr Lucy Arthurs, Cllr Dawn Hancock (chair), Cllr Joan Page, Cllr Jane Panton (vice-chair), Cllr Sue Tyldesley.

Gill Mason – clerk to the parish council.

One resident of the parish.

Mike Welch and Jill Thompson – United Utilities.

Cllr Phillippa Williamson – Lancashire County Council.

1570 Apologies for absence.

No apologies received.

1571 Minutes.

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 4th July 2018 be approved and signed by the chairman.

Proposed Cllr Panton.

Seconded Cllr Page.

1572 Declarations of interest and dispensations.

Cllr Tyldsley declared a personal interest in the planning agenda item.

1573 Open forum.

Mike Welch & Jill Thompson from United Utilities informed the parish council that the valve which had been installed last year had alleviated the water pressure problem, but due to the huge demand for water in June and July this year, the problems had occurred again. The new holiday developments are adding to the problems with the extra demand.

The connection from Borwick needs enabling with new pipes which UU will be installing before the summer season 2019.

Another option would be to feed supply from Silverdale to Yealand Redmayne, which would alleviate useage and help the Yealand Conyers supply. The pressure for the water supply should not be less than 1.5 bar at the boundary of a property. Jill Thompson informed the parish council that if there is a reading of less that 1.5 it may be due to the flow and investigations can be carried out on the pipes to see if they are ‘furred up’.

Cllr Phillippa Williamson attending the meeting to introduce herself to the parish council. Cllr Williamson is the county councillor for Lancaster Rural North. She explained that she does not hold a surgery, but if any parish council or resident has any problems, then they can contact her by email or phone. The Kirby Lonsdale bus company have got the contract for the local service and they have stated that they can make the service pay, even though LCC have reduced the subsidy for the service.

1574 Planning.

A planning application has been submitted for an erection of a dwelling in Yealand Redmayne which would be built on agricultural land.

The parish councillors will submit their observations individually, rather than as a parish council.

1575 Finance.

Payments

G Mason, clerk's wages and expenses (July/August)	£289.68
ICO (cheque re-issue)	£40.00
Relyant gardening	£85.00

It was resolved that the above payments be made.

Proposed Cllr Hancock.

Seconded Cllr Page.

1576 Potential parish council merger update.

A meeting of the two parish councils and the elections officer will be held on Monday 11th September. Yealand Conyers does not want to merge with Yealand Redmayne and would like an assessment of advantages & disadvantages and cost implications of a potential future merger. They would also like an explanation as to why the proposed merger was considered and why the parish councils were not notified before the parishioners received letters.

1577 Canal adoption consideration.

It was resolved that the parish council complete the canal and river trust form, to adopt a stretch of canal to maintain with Yealand Redmayne Parish Council.

Proposed by Cllr Tyldsley

Seconded by Cllr Panton.

1578 Solar Spid contribution.

Yealand Redmayne Parish Council have asked Yealand Conyers to contribute towards the new speed indicator they have purchased, which is placed outside the school. The purchase cost is £2400 and inspection cost after two years is £500 per year.

The parish council have not budgeted for such contributions for the current financial year and so resolved to not contribute at this present time.

The clerk was asked to contact Yealand Redmayne to enquire why there had been no dialogue with Yealand Conyers regarding the SpID before purchase, who else is contributing to the SpID and how much would the repair and maintenance cost on top of the inspection after the warranty has run out.

This item will be discussed at the November meeting.

1579 Website management review.

A new website is required for the parish council as soon as possible. The clerk offered to build a new website and reported that the approximate cost for the domain and host will be £75-£80 per year.

It was resolved that the clerk starts to build the website, once the meeting regarding the parish council merger has taken place and it is clear there will be no need for a combined website with Yealand Redmayne.

Proposed by Cllr Arthurs.

Seconded by Cllr Hancock.

1580 Village maintenance.

The village contractor will be asked to sweep up the hedge cuttings on Yealand Road.

1581 Reports and correspondence.

No reports received.

1582 Date and time of next meeting.

Wednesday 7th November at 7.45pm.

The meeting closed at 9.07pm.

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