

Addingham Parish Council – Meeting 21/06/2023

Clerks report on matters Arising – report for information

- Scottish Water has issued a £600 bill for water at Sugar Hill for the period 26th March -25th April 2023. Clerk has challenged this and been asked to undertake investigations to determine if there is a water leak. With support from Richard Mulligan, a leak has been found (underground in the manhole next to the meter) and reported to Scottish Water and Yorkshire Water. Upon further investigation by Peter and Michael together with a local plumber, the leak is worse than first thought and they have dug out a small area to expose the leaking pipework. Issue ongoing with plumber and YW.
- Clerk has made a £200 interim payment towards the Scottish Water Bill. (see above).
- Following the village litter pick, the Clerk has reported high levels of litter at the Townhead Industrial estate to the landlord.
- Notification from BMDC that the trees in the Beck on Main Street (to the west of No.41) are on private land and they will send an enforcement notice to the land owner.
- In response to recent accessibility issues reported by a plot holder at Newtown, the Clerk has met with the AA&GA to review plans for the new gate and re-opening of the shop.
- Areas of the amenity field were damaged by vehicle use during the use of the field over Coronation weekend. The football team have had to secure a temporary venue in Ilkley. Clerk and Chairman have received a kind offer from a green keeper volunteer, who has offered to cut and repair the areas of damage. The Football Club have taken the disruption in their stride and have been accommodating given the situation. The field has dried out and been cut and is fit to play on.
- Confirmation received from election office to confirm Cllr Janet Russell has replaced Owen Godall as district cllr.
- Application for funding support from Garden friends has been received.
- Clerk has sent a further request for an update to the neighbour at Turner Lane/Parson Lane regarding the boundary repairs.
- Clerk has sent the chairman's consent to YLCA for contact during this year.
- Clerk has reported issues with the Pavilion trade waste bin to BMDC. The disposal teams are not putting the bin back and residents are finding it astray along Stockinger Lane.
- Addingham Bowling Club have made 4 reports to the Parish Council regarding the maintenance of the club paths. These are the responsibility of BMDC and each report has been passed on.
- District Cllr Caroline Whitaker has chased BMDC for an update on the declassification of Bolton Road.

- Clerk has chased BMDC regarding the removal of deceased Willow tree in the Main Street Car Park.
- EVC points are now in operation. Clerk has used Quack to publicise.
- Clerk has arranged training on Health & Safety, Equality and Diversity and Working at Heights
- Clerk has made enquiries with Planning enforcement regarding the lawfulness of a construction in land behind Southfield Terrace. An acknowledgement has been received from BMDC with ref: 23/00218/ENFUNA
- Information from Hub internet and phone provider that all services are migrating to digital. Plusnet are ceasing to provide a business service in September. See agenda for proposal.
- A large population of rats have been reported by a resident. They are living and feeding in the amenity field, opposite Storiths court and are being encouraged by a resident who is feeding them daily. The neighbourhood warden Becci Gunning and InCommunities warden Gemma Drayton have now visited the resident and provided advice re: feeding. All feeding stations have been removed and the matter closed.
- Two new duck motifs have been ordered and TAC will follow up to establish if these will be available for the display on 2023.
- Letter of complaint sent by the Clerk to the Ilkley and Craven Ward Office regarding the dire state of the play area at Silsden Road. Response received, see monthly correspondence. *Following the P&M committee meeting the Clerk has followed up with a FOI request for the release of the playground inspection report. Copies of complaint sent to Robbie Moore MP and District Cllrs.
- Esure has now settled our claim in full, following a collision with a wall on Silsden Road Bottle tip. A quote has been supplied for the repair works, which requires authorisation during June meeting.
- Clerk met with Ward officer, John Redding to discuss ongoing issues and seek support.
- The Clerk has made enquiries with BMDC regarding the placement of a pedestrian barrier on Main Street, by the Pétanque court entrance and exit. This is not possible, and the PC should go ahead and fit a self closing gate.
- Request has been made by the Clerk to BMDC for a wig-wag lighting scheme to be installed close to the Hen Pen Gardens to alert traffic traveling Eastbound that they are approaching a SCP. The lights will be operational at beginning and end of School day, during term time only.
- Clerk has made enquiries with Land Registry regarding land at the corner of Big Meadow Drive and Browsfield Road. After lengthy enquiries, the land cannot be registered to the Parish Council as it is already privately owned and registered. See Clerks report to Council.
- All Council owned and managed buildings have been assessed by Aquatrust for compliance with H&S legislation re: Legionella & mixer tap valves. Awaiting reports to share during June meeting.
- Clerk has published the notice of “making provision for the exercise of public rights”. This is an annual right of electors to inspect the accounts and financial documents. Details are published on noticeboards and website.

- Member of the public reported a dangerous tree overhanging a footpath close to Craven Crescent. Clerk has requested BMDC enforcement action on the urgent pruning.
- Cllr Walsh attended the Q&A online session with Yorkshire Water, raising the Low Mill Pumping Station issues. Feedback to go through CAA.
- Clerk has returned the Welcome space/Warm space grant application and agreement. This money will support the PC's participation in the District wide initiative.
- Addingham Civic Society have borrowed the PC's speaker system for the environment weekend, held at the Primary School on 10th/11th June.
- Report from Civic Society that BMDC mowers have caused damage to the Pétanque court.
- Reports of unauthorised tree works at the small car park on Bolton Road. Lime tree has been extensively cut back and brash left on pavement and across car park. Clerk reported and requested enforcement visit for perpetrator and clear up of brash.
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