

ADDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PROPERTY AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE OLD SCHOOL, ADDINGHAM ON Tuesday 10th October 2023 AT 7.00PM

Present

Cllrs: Brady, Coates, Hindle (*in the chair*), Smith, Flesher and Wilcox

Absent

Cllr Tennant

In Attendance

Parish Clerk – S Lloyd

Public – 1

Village Lengthsman

63/23 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Tennant and reasons approved.

63/23 Disclosures of Interest

Pursuant to the Council's Code of Conduct, Members were invited to disclose any additional interests (not already listed in the Register of Interests), and to note in the Declarations of Interests Book any previously disclosed interests, relevant to the business of the meeting.

Relevant interests noted:

None

64/23 Public Consultation and Question Time

With permission from the Chairman, a member of the public was invited to address the committee.

Concerns were raised about the lack of attention to detail from BMDC mowing teams and highway cleansing. A request was made for the 3 Addingham stones, at the entrances to the village on Bolton Road, Main Street and Silsden Road to be cleaned and refreshed with paint. The chairman asked the Clerk to include further discussion regarding this on the agenda for the next meeting.

65/23 Minutes

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2023, having been taken as read, be approved, and signed as a true and correct record by the Chairman.

66/23 Village Lengthsman

The report of the Lengthsman was received and noted.

Resolved: That the Clerk reports to BMDC the footpath between Silsden Road and Moor Park Drive. Vegetation needs cutting back as it has become quite overgrown.

67/23 Monitoring Statement to 30th September 2023

A monitoring statement up to 30th September 2022 was received and noted.

68/23 Maintenance issues

The ongoing maintenance log was reviewed, together with verbal updates from the Clerk and Lengthsman. After discussion it was,

Resolved(1): That the Clerk contacts the tenants at Parsons Lane to establish if they are still intending to move sheep on to graze. It was further resolved that a scheme of delegation to the Clerk be approved in order that a contractor can be appointed if necessary, to cut the field. That expenditure be approved from the budget delegated to this committee.

69/23 Petenque Court

A verbal update on progress was received and noted. The concrete path and gate have not been started yet. It is hoped that work will be completed as soon as possible.

70/23 Addingham Garden friends

Correspondence was received and noted from the Addingham Garden Friends regarding overgrown ivy in three of the village gardens that are maintained by their group of volunteers. It was noted that the land belongs to BMDC. There was a further request to consider granting consent for a stone planter to replace a wooden one at

the Corner of Bark Lane and Bolton Road.

After discussion it was,

Resolved(1): That the Parish Council supports fully any interventions deemed necessary by the principal authority to remove the ivy. It was further resolved that the Clerk provides support to the Garden friends by making introductions to relevant departments at Bradford Council.

Resolved(2): That the Parish Council supports the idea in principle of a stone planter, subject to approval by BMDC. It was further resolved that the Clerk provides support to the Garden friends by making enquiries with the planning departments at Bradford Council.

71/23 Allotments

A verbal report from Cllrs Brady and Smith regarding a recent site visit at Newtown was received and noted. Cllrs, together with the Clerk looked at what could reasonably be achieved to improve access for mobility impaired plot holders and visitors. The topography of the site was considered along with health and safety aspects of any potential changes.

Resolved: That no changes to the site entrance at Newtown could be reasonably undertaken. That new enquiries from potential plot holders with mobility issues are offered plots on Silsden Road, Stamp Hill and Lower Stamp Hill sites which have level access and are flat.

72/23 MUGA

A verbal report from the Clerk was received and noted together with the ROSPA report.

The Council discussed the MUGA surface condition and the anticipated costs of a replacement in the next 2 years. Since agreeing to take over the amenity asset from the Civic Society in April 2017, the costs of materials and labour for playground projects have risen sharply. The Parish Council now needs to plan for this expenditure and carefully manage the public expectations regarding the necessary rise in the precept to complete this work.

73/23 Riverbank Tree works

Recent private tree works, and the resultant waste deposited in the river Wharfe behind Bark Lane were discussed. The Parish Council has already notified the Environment Agency of its concerns. The Clerk has provided a full report to the flood risk and the tree teams at BMDC. The Parish Council will take no further action.

74/23 Love Where You Live

Resolved: That a working group will meet to clean and clear overgrown areas as and when required but certainly three times a year. That members of the public will be invited to join in with the clearance efforts. The group will meet on Silsden Road on 21st October at 9am.

The Clerk was asked to publicise the date and time and to manage the health and safety aspects of the working party.

75/23 CCTV

Resolved: That the introduction of CCTV at the Pavilion on Stockinger Lane be a standing agenda item until at least December 2023.

76/23 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee to be held on 7th November at 7pm, at the Old School Hub.

Meeting closed at 20.05pm

Chairman