

DRAX PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF DRAX PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd JANUARY 2023 AT 7pm IN THE BLUE ROOM, DRAX SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB.

Clerk: Mr R.W. Farman. Apartment 7, Croft House, Spout Hill, Brighthouse HD6 3QY
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PRESENT: D Perry (Chairman), G Clark, D Hall, K Kirby, R Farman (Clerk) M Jordan (Cllr NYCC)

AGENDA

012301. Welcome

Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting

012302. Public Forum:

- i. Council to receive comments on agenda items and matters of community interest or concern from elector's present.
No public joined the meeting
*For information only. (Clerk to take note of comments for future reference.) **Councillors must not join in any discussion and must not answer any questions unless the chairman decides otherwise.***
- ii. Council to receive any written, hard copy or email, correspondence from residents.
No written correspondence was received.
All other written correspondence is for information only - no discussion or resolution

START OF COUNCIL MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS

012303. Apologies

- Council received apologies and reasons for absence from Cllr J Longden; considered and **resolved** to accept the reasons given.

012304. Minutes of 22nd November meeting

- Council discussed and **resolved** to accept the minutes of the 22nd November meeting as an accurate record of the meeting.

012305. Signing of minutes

Chairman **signed** the minutes **as accepted**.

012306. To receive reports, for information only, from

- i. Chairman on activities since last meeting: Been quiet, the only thing of note is the adult gym/kids play area. The adult gym is going to be installed on Monday next week. The ground matting around the kids play area doesn't meet the legal bounce requirements in one little area and will need to be replaced, the company are replacing only that which has failed. There are two street lights out, one outside Read

School, which has been knocked over to 45 degrees and Back lane. I still need to get quotes for the ballast for the top end of the foot path from Adamson Court to the Cemetery

- ii. County Councillor: I have £1700 remaining in the locality budget, if there are any local groups needing? Area Committee bringing up 20's Plenty again on the 11th Feb. The New NYC plan clearly states areas are to be safe for walkers and cyclists.
- iii. District Councillor:
- iv. Police:
- v. Any other Officers
- vi. Drax Power Station
- vii. Any other representatives

Please note: discussions are not allowed on reports given

012307. RFO to report on closing balances, payments to be made and payments received

- a) Current balances,
 - i. Business Account Balance – 24th December 2022 £17,913.64
 - ii. Deposit Account Balance – 24th December 2022 £2,145.65
- b) Payments made since December meeting
 - i. £ None at time of agenda preparation
- c) Payments to be made – payment requests received at agenda preparation:
 - i. £48.00 – HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE Q3) cheque: 522400
 - ii. £64.00 – RW Farman (clerks wages) cheque: 522401
 - iii. £66.27 – Autela Payroll Services (payroll Oct – Dec 22) Invoice: 10704 cheque: 522402
- d) Payments to be made – payment requests received after agenda preparation
 - i. £10.00 – Drax Sports & Social Club (room hire) cheque: 522403
- e) Payments received
 - i. £ None at time of Agenda preparation

012308. Council **resolved** to accept the report, payments as listed and any others received.

012309. Planning

- a) Planning applications received:
2022/1169/HPA – 59 Main Road – no comments offered.
- b) Planning decisions received. (*For information only*)
2022/0632/COU – Drax Village School – GRANTED
2022/0874/COU – 2 The Old Orchard – PERMITTED
2022/0336/COU – Halesgarth Kennels – WITHDRAWN
2022/0827/FUL – Wren Hall Farm - WITHDRAWN
- c) Update on any previous planning issues currently causing concern and to **resolve** any action needed
None by time of agenda preparation.

012310. Clerks Contract

Council reviewed the amended contract for the clerk and **resolved** to accept the change from Recommended Price Index (RPI) to National Association of Local Councils (NALC) recommended for annual pay rise. Chairman signed the amended contract on behalf of the Parish Council.

012311. Outdoor Gym

See Chairmans report 012306 item i

012312. Correspondence received since last meeting.

- a) Emails as sent (if applicable)
- b) YLCA - White Rose Update
- c) YLCA – Advice Notes
- d) NALC – Chief Executive’s Bulletin
- e) SAAA – advising that PKF Littlejohn have been reappointed as external auditor 2023-27
- f) SDC – Planning application
- g) Autela – November payroll and Q3 PAYE
- h) YLCA – NYC update
- i) SDC – Weekly planning applications list (x4)
- j) YLCA – Violence against women and girls in North Yorkshire, Commissioner Zoe.
- k) YLCA – Law and Governance bulletin
- l) Sunshine Gym/Chairman – Surface Impact Test
- m) YLCA – Platinum Jubilee Fund (Village Hall)
- n) Autela – Invoice 10704 Oct -Dec payroll.

012313. Action taken by the clerk since last meeting.

- a) Emailed precept request to SDC
- b) Emailed NYCC to advise about trees on playing field
- c) Responded to email from Area7 advising wrong email address used, forwarded by them.
- d) Responded to email from CAM@NYCC -awaiting update from arboreal team.

012314. Councillors Forum:

- a) To take and note any points of immediate interest from councillors.
LP20 still not working

No decisions may be taken on any items raised here

012315. Items for the next agenda

- To take suggestions for urgent items for inclusion on the next agenda

012316. To receive any further comments from public present. *Information only-clerk to note comments*

No public attended the meeting

012317. To confirm date, time and place for the next meeting.

6th February 2023, 7pm, Drax Sports & Social Club

012318. Closure of meeting.

Meeting closed, 7:30pm

Signed: ...*D Perry*..... Chairman to the Parish Council **Date:** Monday 6th February 2023

On-going issues – decisions may be taken on any of the following if necessary

- Drax Village News
- Cemetery – internment on Friday

- Foot paths
- Community Group
- Adamson House field – item to be removed
- Street Lights
- Flooding and Flood Wardens