

DRAX PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF DRAX PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7PM IN THE BLUE ROOM, DRAX SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB.

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PRESENT: D Perry (Chairman), G Clark, J Longden, D Hall, R Farman (Clerk), M Jordan (Cllr NYCC), A Iles (Public)

AGENDA

022301. Welcome

Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting

022302. Public Forum:

- i. Council to receive comments on agenda items and matters of community interest or concern from elector's present.

I am concerned about the footpaths which are open to the public and dogs with no collecting of dog litter, if it is picked up then the bags will be thrown into the hedge bottom. Is there anything the parish council can do with regard to supplying a waste bin? – Council will contact SDC to purchase a bin Who looks after Wade House Lane? Mill Lane bridlepath leading onto Hales Lane the verges are getting overgrown. – Highways are responsible so we will need to contact Area 7

I attended the meeting at Camblesforth Hall which was all about the Camblesforth Solar Farm, not a lot about Wade House Lane. I also had people from the company visit me and advise that all local parish councils had received an offer of £25,000 is this correct? – The council have not received any monies from the solar farm, any monies will be made available once the project is completed. Any monies received are always declared publicly at the first meeting after receipt and also in the minutes of that meeting, as well as the annual accounts.

The roundabout at the west end of the village, who is responsible for it as it's dangerously high in the middle with bushes. – Highways, Area 7, though they will say that the roundabout is safe as it is now.

*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.

All other written correspondence is for information only - no discussion or resolution

START OF COUNCIL MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS

022303. Apologies

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

022304. Minutes of 3rd December meeting

- Council discussed and **resolved** to accept the minutes of the 3rd December meeting as an accurate record of the meeting.

022305. Signing of minutes

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

022306. To receive reports, for information only, from

- i. Chairman on activities since last meeting: Quiet month, I'm currently organising the next step of the outdoor equipment. This will be happening next week and the week after. I've not attended any Drax Power meetings.
- ii. County Councillor:
- iii. District Councillor: There is a meeting at Drax on the 8th March to which I am taking the Chief Officer of NYCC. Everything moves along for the new North Yorkshire Council (NYC) on the 1st of May 2023. There will be six constituency planning committees under NYC.
- iv. Police:
- v. Any other Officers
- vi. Drax Power Station
- vii. Any other representatives

Please note: discussions are not allowed on reports given

022307. RFO to report on closing balances, payments to be made and payments received

- a) Current balances,
 - i. Business Account Balance – £13,131.71
 - ii. Deposit Account Balance – £2,145.65
- b) Payments made since January meeting
 - i. £ None at time of agenda preparation
- c) Payments to be made – payment requests received at agenda preparation:
 - i. £ None at time of meeting
- d) Payments to be made – payment requests received after agenda preparation
 - i. £4,593.60 – Broxap Ltd
 - ii. £10.00 – Drax Sports and Social Club
- e) Payments received
 - i. £ None at time of meeting

022308. Council **resolved** to accept the report, payments as listed and any others received.

022309. Planning

- a) Planning applications received:
None at time of meeting
- b) Planning decisions received. *(For information only)*
None at time of meeting
- c) Update on any previous planning issues currently causing concern and to **resolve** any action needed
None by time of meeting

022310. Outdoor Gym

See chairman's report

022311. Adamson House Footpath

Council received the following update on the repair of the footpath beside Adamson House toward the cemetery. Chairman "I estimate that we will need 5 tonnes of stone for the length of 44 metres with a

width of 1 metre” Cllr Longden added that “if we work on 1 tonne, 2 inches deep with a width of 1 metre that’s gives us a need of 4 tonnes. The best bet will be crush and run” After discussions **resolved** to go out to tender for two more quotes as well as asking the original to requote. Each quote to be in two parts. One for stone drop and the second for drop and lay.

0202312. 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) YLCA – NYC update
- f) SDC – Weekly planning applications list (x4)
- g) YLCA – Law and Governance bulletin
- h) Broxap Ltd – invoiced for work completed.
- i) YLCA – Executive rites of burial – webinar

022313. Action taken by the clerk since last meeting.

- a) Chased CAM@NYCC -awaiting update from arboreal team.

022314. Councillors Forum:

- To take and note any points of immediate interest from councillors.
Will the clerk please chase the arboreal team for an update on the trees being cut back, it won’t be long before nesting won’t allow cutting back.
No decisions may be taken on any items raised here

022315. Items for the next agenda

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

022316. To receive any further comments from public present.

Villagers have asked if the children’s play equipment is going to be updated? – big swing will not be replaced.
Street lighting in the village, are there any updates on the units which have been reported faulty?
Information only-clerk to note comments

022317. To confirm date, time and place for the next meeting.

14th March 2023 7pm, Blue Room Drax Sports and Social Club.

022318. Closure of meeting.

Meeting closed 7:40pm

Signed: *...D Perry.....* Chairman of the Parish Council **Date:** Tuesday 14th March 2023

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

- Drax Village News
- Cemetery – two interments have taken place since the last meeting.

- Foot paths
- Community Group
- Street Lights
- Flooding and Flood Wardens