

Snitterby Parish Council**Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Snitterby Village Hall on Thursday 14 March 2019.**

Present: Natasha Vick (Clerk), Cllr Ben Thornton, Cllr Brian Milton, Cllr Tom Gundry, Cllr Eric Dalton, Cllr Sunil Kapil, Cllr Jeff Summers

There were no members of the public present.

The meeting commenced at 1931

**1. To receive apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Cllr Strange, Cllr Murray and Cllr Holland-Lee

**2. To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011.**

No declarations of interest received.

**3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 10 2019**

Minutes approved and signed as a true record

**4. Police Matters:****a. To receive the police report**

Report of a burglary at Sandhayes where various tools and meat stolen from a non-secure workshop. Some uncertainty regarding where the crime took place. Councillors also noted the many warnings sent out regarding scams over the phone from people claiming to be from the Police or Banks and that residents should be aware of.

**b. To report urgent matters to the police**

No matters to report.

**5. To receive reports, questions and answers from the County and District Councillor**

No reports from Cllr Strange.

The Parish Council thanked Cllr Summers for his input into the Holywell Grange planning matter. Cllr Summers stated that there may be an appeal against this decision in the future. If there is an appeal WLDC would contact any person who made a representation in the original application and they would be able to submit a further representation to the inspector. The inspector would take local opinion and review the site and make a decision. Deadline for appeal is within six months of approval date.

In his report, Cllr Summers noted planning permission has been granted for a leisure centre at Market Rasen in the last month and building work will start very soon.

Crematorium at Gainsborough is underway, crane now on site to start putting the framework together.

Budget set for 2019-20, tax increases of 12p per week for Band D property. Police increase is £23.94, LCC £60.93 and WLDC £6.20. Most significant increase in some time.

Discussions in place to build a new medical centre in Caistor, funded by the WLDC but rent to be paid by the NHS.

WLDC has Invested £15m in property, expected annual income of ~£0.5m. Target to invest £30m with annual income of £900k - £1m to go towards future investment in services. A portion of the rent received is being kept as security on future rental income.

Cllrs raised the issue of the broadband service in Snitterby, Government have stated that they will no longer invest in fibre-to-cabinet in order to focus on fibre-to-home. Residents have continued to express their frustration with the situation. Cllr Summers stated that WLDC is looking to take a member of staff on who has technical knowledge in order to try and find solutions. There is a mast at Waite farm which would enable superfast broadband in 4G through the air from £100 per month.

Questioned whether there was a possibility of a deal being done between WLDC and EE to enable a more reasonable price for residents. Cllr Summers confirmed he would raise the situation with WLDC and report back.

Cllrs noted that Black Dyke has only been cut back on one side for the previous two years and there is an increased risk of flooding. Cllr Summers confirmed he would have a look and report back to the Ancholme drainage board and the Environment Agency.

**6. Clerk and Councillors to report back on previous action points**

- a. Bridle Walk sign repaired
- b. Fee for cemetery bin has been paid
- c. Item included in the Triangle requested residents to pick up after their dogs

**7. Finance**

- a. Payments approved:
  - i. Clerk Salary
  - ii. LALC membership for 2019-20 £77.79
  - iii. Clerk Expenses £51.92
  - iv. Village Hall Rent £70.00
- b. Treasurer report, with balances as follows:
  - i. Current account £2,203.56
  - ii. Openspace account £6,073.00
  - iii. Reserve account £1,111.16
  - iv. Grass cutting quotes received and maintained at same levels as last year. Cllrs agreed to continue with the same suppliers.
  - v. Cutting agreement agreed with LCC at a contribution of £88.57

**8. Planning**

- a. To consider planning applications (none received)
- b. To receive WLDC planning decisions (if any)

**9. To report Highways matters**

- a. Pot holes on The Moor, The Rasen Road junction and Manor House Corner to be reported. Also A15 missing signage to be reported again

**10. Report on cemetery gate and litter picking**

Cemetery gate repaired by a Waddingham resident for no charge.

Mitie have been carrying out community work for the last couple of years within the village, they have offered this year to carry out litter picking throughout the village in the Spring and again in six months.

**11. To receive an update on broadband**

Cllr Murray met with Edward Leigh and agreed to write a report on the situation for the MP to see if it can be raised in the House.

**12. To confirm date of May meeting and agree items for the agenda**

May meeting to be held on May 9.

Meetings for 2019-20 on July 11, September 12 and November 14, January 9 2020 and March 12 2020

Annual meeting items and Broadband update to be added to May agenda.

The Chairman noted that elections will take place on May 2 and that this is the end of the Councillors four year cycle. Thanks given to all Councillors.

**Meeting closed at 2031**