

MINUTES OF BRANDSBY CUM STEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING HELD IN THE CHOLMELEY HALL ON 3 NOVEMBER 2020 AT

7.30pm

Present:

Mr R Machin (Chairman)
Mr M Waite
Mr J Ward
Mr R Pearson Adams
Mr K Snowball
The Clerk

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16 JULY 2020

The Minutes having been circulated to the councillors prior to the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3.1 Overhead branches near Cranmor- The Clerk spoke with Mrs Illingsworth and was told that she had been in touch with NYCC who said the trees were her responsibility as they were within her boundary. I was assured by Mrs Illingsworth that they were not on her property so the Clerk informed NYCC of this fact. Nothing has yet been done.

3.2 The flooding and drainage problem in Stearsby- This has been dealt satisfactorily by putting in a new drain to the stream.

3.3 Defibrillator- A notice has been put in the Village Link with information re the siting of this defibrillator.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications have been received from Hambleton District Council

PROPOSAL: Erection of summerhouse/shed in the garden which is forward of the front elevation of the dwelling house.

LOCATION: 2 High Side, Brandsby

APPLICATION: Caroline Hawcroft

BPC – No objections but any neighbours concerns must be taken into account

PROPOSAL: New dry stone wall to match existing property boundary wall

LOCATION: Brandsby Hall

APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs Gould

BPC wish to see this application approved

PROPOSAL: Alterations & replacement of 1st Floor timber beams/joists, within Brandsby Hall coach house

LOCATION: Brandsby Hall,

APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs Gould

BPC wish to see this application approved

5. FINANCE

The balance of the bank account as at 21 October 2020 is £8,114.09. (The large balance is being kept in reserve for a contribution to the refurbishment of the Cholmeley Hall)

The following cheques have been issued since the last meeting: -

21 Jul	100288	Clerks yearly salary	£240.00
21 Jul	100289	Clerks petty cash	£78.91
22 Jul	100290	I Craggs – verge cutting	£172.80
28 Aug	100291	I Craggs – hedge cutting	£307.20

Payments received since the last meeting: -

Various amounts for village hedge cutting	£290.00
30 Sept HDC ½ Precept	£1,250.00

The precept for April 2021-Mar 2022 was set at £2,500 the same as last year.

HDC have issued a payment of £495.00 from the Community Infrastructure Levy. This is a charge that local authorities can charge on most types of new development in the area. The money must be spent on improvement to the village i.e. open space, village halls etc.

The petty cash book and all cheque books, paying in book; statements etc were available for inspection by the councillors.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 HDC – The second payment of the precept of £1,250 has been received.

6.2 Citizens Advice – Asking for donations. A very worthwhile charity but again we have declined. We do not give PC money to charity. Any councillor wishing to donate can do so privately.

- 6.3 Speeding through Brandsby - An email has been received by the Chairman from Mr Neil McGovern. He is concerned that there are no clear signs in Brandsby to inform that the speed limit changes from 60 to 30 abruptly on a bend and at quite a gradient. The chairman replied that this had been discussed at many PC meetings but nothing gets done.

Mr McGovern points out that a police camera van is often seen in Brandsby and that NY police have informed him that over the past 3 years 1,009 speeding tickets have been issued in Brandsby. At approximately £85 each this amounts to £85,000.

After discussion the clerk was asked to again contact North Yorks CC about traffic calming measures.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1 Brandsby Watch - Brandsby resident Mrs Kate Rangeley, has set up a Whats App group for Brandsby and surroundings. This is due to the concern of poaching etc around the area. There are approximately 70 members at present. The councillors commend her for this initiative.
- 7.2 Bank Mandate – A new mandate was signed for HSBC bank. The clerk will finish completing and send to HSBC.

As there was no other business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....