

MINUTES OF BRANDSBY-CUM-STEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD IN THE CHOLMELEY HALL ON 16 JULY 2020 AT
7.30pm

This meeting is taking the place of the Annual Parish Council meeting which was due to have taken place in May 2020 but due to the Covid 19 lock down the Annual Parish Council meeting is cancelled

Present:

Mr R Machin (Chairman)

Mr M Waite

Mr J Ward

Mr R Pearson Adams

The Clerk

No members of the public were present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr K Snowball, Mrs C Patmore, Mrs D Watkins

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 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 Parking Agreement for Wesfield

The agreement has been signed and £25 paid for the year.

3.2 Highway issues

The dead tree in the grounds of Cherry Hill has either blown down or been felled.

3.3 Crayke Open Gardens banner

Due to Covid 19 the event was cancelled.

3.4 Street lighting in Brandsby

The Clerk has written to the resident informing them that street lighting was not a possibility in Brandsby due to HDC low resources and very low on the list of priorities.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

None.

5. FINANCE

The balance of the bank account as at 21 June 2020 is £7,373.00. (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: -

24 March 2020

100286

Defibrillator pads

79.08

27 May 2020	100287	S Ward Clerks tax	60.00
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Credits received since the last meeting:-

16 April 2020	Pearce paddock rent	100.00
23 April 2020	Waite field rent	400.00
30 April 2020	HDC Precept	1,250.00
1 June 2020	Bradley, Westfield parking	25.00

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

A letter has been received from HSBC regarding the update and confirmation of business details regarding the PC account. The Clerk has dealt with this and the Safeguard review is now complete and correct.

The Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2019/2020 has been checked by the councillors as correct and signed by the Chairman as required.

A new Mandate for signing of cheques needs to be completed. The clerk will deal with this.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1 National Association of Local Councils – Details of how to proceed during the Covid 19 pandemic.
- 6.2 Avenue litter from biofuel haulage – A resident has asked the council to intervene over the mess which has been left along the Avenue as a result of lorries taking away the biofuel which is grown locally.
The Chairman spoke to the farmer concerned and he assured him that any mess will be cleaned up after the last load has been transported.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1 Over hanging branches near Cranmor (opposite The Rectory) – The trees are causing slight traffic problems on the road making it difficult for large machinery to pass.
The Clerk will speak with the owner. Depending on the outcome of the meeting Mr Waite would be happy to cut down the offending branches.
- 7.2 The flooding/drainage problem in Stearsby is being dealt with between one of the residents and Mrs Patmore the NYCC rep.
- 7.3 Minute and Accounting books dating back to 1895, have been found in the Cholmeley Hall when a clearance of the upper room was made. The Clerk now has them in her possession.
- 7.4 Defibrillator – It was thought that many people in Brandsby and the surrounding are did not know there was a defibrillator for public use in the village. The Clerk will ask Mr Pearce to put a notice on the website and also in the village link.

As there was no other business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Chairman.....

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