

MINUTES: of a Meeting of Seamer Parish Council held in the Memorial Hall, Main Street, Seamer, Scarborough on 13th June 2017 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor H Mallory (Chairman) in the Chair (to minute 46)
Councillors T Groves, V Milner, D Raine, J Ridsdale, W H Smith and J Stockdale
Inspector A Short (Police), Mr M Pedley (SBC), four members of the public and the clerk

36 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mrs D Morrison, County Councillor D Jeffels and Mr P Thompson (SBC)

37 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor V Milner declared a personal interest in any matter arising on the agenda in relation to the Friends of Seamer Village, as she was Secretary of the Group. She also declared a personal interest in any matter arising on the agenda in relation to the proposed new housing development near Beacon Road as she lived in that area. Councillor D Raine declared a personal interest in any matter arising on the agenda in relation to the Friends of Seamer Village, as he was a member of the Group. Councillor Smith declared a personal interest in any matter arising on the agenda in relation to the Crossgates Community Centre as he was Chairman of the Association.

38 COUNCIL VACANCY

RESOLVED that the current vacancy be advertised

39 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following matters were raised and discussed:

- Heavy vehicles using Pasture Lane/Long Lane during the development at the former Stockdale's' Yard site causing damage to the verges
- Parking of vehicles near the School at the start and end of the school day

RESOLVED that (i) the matter of the use of Pasture lane/Long Lane by heavy vehicles be referred to the NYCC

(ii) the matter of the parking of vehicles at the School be raised by Councillor Milner at the Community and Police Group meeting on the 14th June 2017

40 TRAVELLERS' HORSE FAIR

Mr M Pedley of the Borough Council and Inspector A Short of the Police gave an update on the arrangements for the horse fair. The site will open at 5am on 12 July and close at 6pm on 15 July. As last year 24/7 closed circuit television equipment (CCTV) will be employed to enhance safety for those on site. Inspector Short of the Police indicated that a mobile Police Station will be utilised for the duration of the event and that Police Officers and PCSO's will have a strong presence in the Parish. The potential for the theft of water from the allotments site was referred to Inspector Short for monitoring.

RESOLVED that the reports be received with thanks

41 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the previously circulated minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9th May 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

42 MATTERS ARISING

No matters raised

43 CORRESPONDENCE

The Council considered the following matters:

- (a) the monthly Police report
- (b) an email from St Martin's Church re the recent grant
- (c) an email from a Mrs Rhodes re trees at the Crossgates Community Centre
- (d) an email from the NYCC re possible traffic lights at the mini-roundabout and an associated email from Mr Charlton
- (e) an email from the NYCC re signage at the mini-roundabout
- (f) an email from the SBC re a replacement nameplate at Pasture Lane
- (g) a letter from the Sports Association re litter
- (h) an email from Mr Holdgate concerning hedge cutting

RESOLVED that (i) the correspondence be received

(ii) the Borough Council be asked for clarification on the cutting back of the trees at the Community Centre under the contract terms

(iii) the NYCC be advised that the Council considers that the installation of traffic lights at the site of the mini roundabout would be a retrograde step and that the Council would prefer to see alternative suggestions for the site and

(iv) the email from Mr Charlton be forwarded to the NYCC

(v) a representative of the NYCC be invited to the next meeting to discuss the possibilities mentioned in (iii) above

(vi) it be noted that the Chairman will be making a personal donation to the Junior Football Club for litter picking at the site and the Sports Association be advised accordingly

(vii) the email from Mr Holdgate be received and the clerk provide an appropriate response

44 **BEST KEPT GARDENS AND ALLOTMENTS COMPETITIONS**

RESOLVED that (i) Members supply their recommendations for the garden competition to the clerk no later than 12th July 2017 to enable arrangements to be made for the presentations of the cups and certificates at the September 2017 meeting

(ii) Members carry out an inspection of the allotments on the 23rd June 2017 at 6pm and report their recommendations to the clerk no later than 12th July 2017

45 **POSSIBLE PROJECTS 2017/18**

Further to minute 31(b) of the last meeting, Members reported on possible projects for 2017/18

RESOLVED that (i) the following possible projects be considered further at the next meeting:

- Improvements to footpaths/bridleways being considered by Councillor Stockdale
- A new seat/rose garden at the corner adjoining the Flower Fund Homes with the possibility of an associated pathway
- New picnic benches at The Green to be made of recycled materials
- The possible repair/replacement of the fence at The Green adjoining the nearby property
- Additional seats at various sites in the Parish

(ii) in the meantime, the clerk obtain estimates for replacement picnic benches at The Green and quotes for the provision of additional seats

(iii) arrangements be made as soon as possible for the installation of a return spring on the gate at The Green

(iv) the clerk attempt to obtain information as to the ownership of the fence at The Green

(The Vice-Chairman took the Chair at this point)

46 **GRASS CUTTING**

Further to minute 27 of the last meeting, Councillor Milner reported on a site visit by a representative of the SBC. Emails concerning the standard of cuts at the Crossgates Community Centre and Crossgates generally were also considered.

RESOLVED that a further site meeting be held at 10am on Thursday 15th June 2017 to be attended by a representative of the SBC and Councillors T Groves and J Stockdale and they be asked to report further to the next meeting on the outcome

47 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning Applications

The Council considered the following applications and took thereon the decisions shown:

- (a) 17/00800/HS - Single-storey side and rear extension at 31 Coniston Gardens Crossgates

RESOLVED that no objection be raised

- (b) 17/01097/FL - Creation of a new warehouse/factory unit as an extension to the existing facility at Osprey Ltd Dunslow Road Eastfield

RESOLVED that no objection be raised

48 **OUTSIDE BODIES**

No reports

49 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(a) Accounts for payment and income received

The Council considered accounts received for payment and income received since the last meeting

RESOLVED that the accounts be approved and paid and the income be noted

50 **PARISH SECURITY**

Parish security was reviewed and will be reviewed again in July 2017

51 JUBILEE ALLOTMENTS

The Council considered the amounts expended/recovered on water rates at the allotments over the last three years

RESOLVED that (i) the figures be received
(ii) Councillor J Stockdale report to the next meeting as to the possibility of the installation of a borehole to extract water at the allotments site

The meeting closed at 9:15 p.m.

The next meeting of the Council will be held at the Crossgates Community Centre, Crossgates Scarborough on 11th July 2017 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Chairman

11th July 2017