

MINUTES of the Meeting of Seamer Parish Council held in the Memorial Hall, Main Street, Seamer, Scarborough on 9th June 2015 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor H Mallory (Chairman) in the Chair
Councillors V Milner, H Pickles, D Raine and W H Smith
County Councillor D Jeffels, Mr A Skelton (SBC), Inspector A Short (Police), PCSO M Braidley, twelve members of the public and the clerk

35 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

36 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor V Milner declared a personal interest in minute 43 insofar as it related to the Friends of Seamer Village. Councillor W H Smith declared a personal interest in minute 49(c) in relation to the Crossgates Community Centre

37 PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES

The Council considered a request for co-option from Mrs D Morrison
RESOLVED that Mrs D Morrison be co-opted to the Council with immediate effect

38 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following matters were raised and discussed:

- The forthcoming horsefair
- Long Lane safety concerns
- Street Lighting Changes
- The need for the repainting of white lines on Main Street
- The current position with regard to the refuse disposal site
- Parking at Bus Stops

RESOLVED that (i) enquiries be made concerning the current position regarding the refuse disposal site

(ii) the offer of Councillor Jeffels to take up the matter of white lining with the NYCC be accepted with thanks

39 LONG LANE

Further to minute 28(v) of the last meeting, a full discussion was held on the possibilities for improving the safety of the use of Long Lane.

RESOLVED that (i) it be noted that Long Lane will be closed in July to motor vehicles
(ii) advisory signs for motorists and pedestrians be erected at Long Lane in August 2015

(iii) in the meantime, Seamer and Irton CP School be asked if they will involve the pupils in the design of the advisory signs

(iv) the provision of prizes to the pupils be considered further at the next meeting

(v) the FOSV and other volunteers be asked if they will cut back the overgrowth on the path between Crossgates and Seamer

(vi) the offer of Councillor Jeffels to take up with the NYCC the possibility of funding be accepted with thanks

(vii) the CPRE be asked if they will be able to assist with this scheme

40 TRAVELLERS' HORSE FAIR

Mr A Skelton 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 11 July and close at 6pm on 16 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.

RESOLVED that the reports be received with thanks

41 APPONTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED that the Council be represented on the following Outside Bodies by the Members stated as follows, the vacancies to be considered further at the next meeting:-

- (a) Crossgates Community Association - Vacancy
- (b) Yorkshire Local Councils Associations (1 additional representative) - Vacancy
- (c) Roads Liaison Committee (2) - Vacancy
- (d) Methodist Church (1) - Vacancy
- (e) Northern Villages Community and Police Group (1) - Councillor V Milner

42 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the previously circulated minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12th May 2015 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

43 MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Milner reported that the FOSV had carried out the work suggested by Wykeham Estates to the trees at The Green but advised that they would not be able to water them on a daily basis
RESOLVED that the management of the Mayfield be asked if they can assist with watering the trees

44 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence/communication were considered:

- (a) the monthly Police report
- (b) parking at Station Road
- (c) planning permission at a property in Station Road
- (d) NYCC Bus Subsidies
- (e) an invitation to a Policing Event
- (f) a letter of complaint concerning Councillor D Raine with regard to his recent actions on a parking matter outside the Memorial Hall

RESOLVED that (i) the correspondence be received and noted
(ii) the complainant be advised that Mr Raine's conduct was as a member of the public and not as a Parish Councillor and that he intends to apologise personally to the complainant for his conduct

45 NYCC GRASS CUTTING PROPOSALS- 2015/16

The Council considered further responses from the NYCC regarding grass cutting for this year together with an email from Councillor Smith regarding grass cutting at the Crossgates Community Centre

RESOLVED that (i) subject to negotiation regarding the frequency of cuts and prices, the quotation from Scarborough Borough Council be accepted and they be asked to make the first cuts as a matter of urgency

(ii) the Borough Council be also asked to make an essential cut in the week prior to the 15th July 2015

(iii) the contract for next year be considered at the November 2015 meeting

(iv) it be noted that the NYCC had agreed to make a payment to the Parish Council for the cutting of their areas of grass in the sum of £2066 for five cuts

46 GENERAL PARKING AT THE MEMORIAL HALL

Further to minute 28(iv) of the last meeting, the Council considered the general usage by vehicles of the frontage to the Memorial Hall

RESOLVED that it be noted that, within the confines of their trusteeship, general parking was a matter for the Memorial Hall Committee

47 PLANNING MATTERS**Planning Applications**

No applications received

48 OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor H Pickles reported on the last meeting of the Memorial Hall Committee. Councillor Smith reported on the recent formal opening of the Flower Fund Homes site and that he had been appointed as a Director. Councillor Mallory reported on the last meeting of the Seamer Sports Association

RESOLVED that (i) the reports be received

(ii) consideration of the possible vacancy for a representative of the Council be added to the agenda for the next meeting and in the meantime the Flower Fund Homes be asked to confirm whether or not there is a vacancy for 2015/16

(iii) the proposed increase in rents for the Old School and the Seamer Sports Association (minute 32(iii)(c) of the last meeting) be considered further at the meeting scheduled for 10 November 2015

49 FINANCIAL MATTERS**(a) Accounts for payment**

RESOLVED that the accounts as per the schedule be approved and paid

(b) Income received since the date of the last meeting

RESOLVED that the income as per the schedule be noted

(c) Community Fund

The Council considered an application from the Crossgates Community Association for a grant towards the provision of new lighting and some paintwork

RESOLVED that consideration of the application be deferred to the next meeting

50 PARISH SECURITY

Parish security was reviewed and will be reviewed again in July 2015

51 JUBILEE ALLOTMENTS

Further to minute 32(c)(ii) of the last meeting, the Council considered allotment charges made in other similar areas

RESOLVED that possible increases in allotment rents be considered further at the meeting scheduled for 9 February 2016

52 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act) relating to terms proposed by or to the Council in the course of negotiations for the supply of goods or services

53 OLD SCHOOL HOUSE

To consider correspondence from Tower Estates regarding possible improvements to the kitchen and the renewal of the management agreement

RESOLVED that

- (i) the management agreement be approved and signed
- (ii) a contribution of £500 be made towards the work proposed in the kitchen at the property

The meeting closed at 10:05 p.m.

The next meeting of the Council will be held at the Crossgates Community Centre, Crossgates, Scarborough on 14th July 2015 commencing at 7.00 p.m.