

MINUTES: of a Meeting of Seamer Parish Council held in the Crossgates Community Centre, Crossgates, Scarborough on 11th July 2017 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor H Mallory (Chairman) in the Chair
Councillors T Groves, V Milner, D Raine, J Ridsdale, W H Smith and J Stockdale
County Councillor D Jeffels, Mr D Griffiths (NYCC), six members of the public and the clerk

52 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor D Morrison

53 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.

54 MINI-ROUNDBOUT

The Council considered an email and a verbal report by Mr D Griffiths of the NYCC on possible proposals for this junction together with an email from Mr T Ingham concerning speed limits on the approach to the junction. Mr Griffiths reported that temporary lights could be installed to ascertain whether this would result in a reduction in accidents at the junction. Thereafter a full installation could be considered which may be able to be in place in the current financial year. He also reported that the suggested change in the speed limits would be referred to the Police for their views. He indicated that the cost of a larger roundabout instead of lights would be prohibitive at an estimated cost of £1m.

RESOLVED that (i) the emails and report be received
(ii) the suggested installation of temporary lights for a trial period be accepted and Mr Griffiths be asked to keep the Council updated on progress

55 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following matters were raised and discussed:

- traffic lights at the mini-roundabout site
- the application for grant for the Community Centre
- the possible reduction in the speed limit outside the allotments site
- the possible installation of defibrillators in Seamer and Crossgates
- damaged kerbstones/footpath adjoining Proudfoots store on Main Street, Seamer
- the condition of the Raven Close play area
- a report from County Councillor Jeffels regarding obstructive parking in the Curlew Drive area

RESOLVED that (i) the items and report be received
(ii) the possible reduction in the speed limit be referred to the Police
(iii) costs of the installation of defibrillators be reported for consideration to the next meeting
(iv) the damage to kerbstones etc be referred to the NYCC
(v) the condition of the play area be referred to the Borough Council
(vi) Councillor Jeffels be advised that the Council would not support grass verges being converted to parking areas in the Curlew drive area

56 COUNCIL VACANCY

The Council considered an application for co-option from Mr Simon Hill.

RESOLVED that Mr Hill be co-opted with immediate effect.

(Councillor Hill then signed his declaration of acceptance of office)

57 TRAVELLERS' HORSE FAIR

It was noted that the site for the horsefair would be opened on 12th July and closed on 15th July 2017

58 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the previously circulated minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 13th June 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

59 MATTERS ARISING

None

60 POSSIBLE PROJECTS 2017/18

Further to minute 45 of the last meeting, the Council considered the following projects suggested together with any estimates received and an email from Mr C Charlton.

- 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

RESOLVED that consideration of this matter be deferred to minute 63(b) below

61 CHRISTMAS SERVICE - 2017

RESOLVED that (i) the date of 19th December 2017 for the service at the Memorial Hall and the usual arrangements for Crossgates Community Centre be confirmed

(ii) Revd. Moreland be asked if he would again kindly arrange for the music at the Memorial Hall service

62 GRASS CUTTING

Further to minute 46 of the last meeting, Councillors T Groves and J Stockdale reported on a further site meeting held with a representative of the SBC

RESOLVED that plans of the suggested areas to be cut be circulated with the agenda for the October 2017 meeting in order that Members may consider and report further on suggested areas for grass cutting at the November meeting when the tender process is considered

63 CORRESPONDENCE

To consider the following and any other general correspondence/communications received since the last meeting

- (a) the monthly Police report
- (b) an email from the SBC re possible s106 funding for works at The Green
- (c) a letter from the Boundary Commission re warding arrangements
- (d) an email from the SBC re trees at the Community Centre
- (e) an email from the NYCC re highway gutter weed removal
- (f) an letter from the Memorial Hall Committee re proposals from the Seamer and Irton W.I.
- (g) an email from Sheila Johnson of the SBC re the award of the BEM to Mr R Burnett

RESOLVED that (i) the correspondence be received

(ii) the Borough Council be asked for a note of the costs of the Horsefair for the current year

(iii) Mr M Smartt of the Borough Council be asked for his advice and assistance with regard to the S106 monies for The Green and he be advised of the Council's current thoughts on possible improvements

(iv) consideration of the other proposals in minute 60 above be deferred until a report has been received from Mr Smartt

(v) The Borough Council be asked to carry out the tree work at Crossgates Community Centre in accordance with the contract maintenance schedule

(vi) the NYCC be advised that weed removal in highway gutters is not the responsibility of the parish Council but that it is theirs

(vii) the Council's full support be given to the proposals of the W.I. at the Memorial Hall

(viii) the Council's congratulations be passed to Mr Burnett on his well deserved award of the BEM

64 PLANNING MATTERS**Planning Applications**

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

- (a) 17/01349/HS - Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling at 1 Ayton Road Irton
RESOLVED that no objections be raised

- (b) 17/00452/FL – Amendment to full planning application for 241 dwellings with access, public open space and strategic landscaping at land to the north of Beacon Road, Seamer (Brief description of amendment: additional highways information has been received by the Borough Council)

RESOLVED that the previous comments of the Council be re-iterated

65 OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor Milner reported on the last meeting of the CaP Group
RESOLVED that the report be received

66 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

67 PARISH SECURITY

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

68 JUBILEE ALLOTMENTS

The Council considered an email from a plot holder, Ms C McMinnis, concerning the possible presence of asbestos on the access road at the site. Ms McMinnis attended and addressed the Council on the matter and submitted a small piece of material which she had retrieved from a pothole. Councillor Stockdale indicated that he hoped to report further at the next meeting on the potential for the installation of a borehole for water at the allotments

RESOLVED that (i) the suspect material be sent for analysis and advice as a matter of urgency

(ii) in view of the potential for material in other areas and consequent possible risk to the safety of tenants, the allotments site be temporarily closed and appropriate notices be displayed until the results of the analysis and advice have been received

(iii) the Chairman and clerk be authorised to take any necessary further action should it prove necessary

(iv) Councillor Stockdale be asked to report to the next meeting on the water borehole possibilities

The meeting closed at 9:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the Council will be held at the Memorial Hall, Main Street, Seamer, Scarborough on 8th August 2017 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Chairman

8th August 2017