

Dalton Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Dalton Parish Council at 6.30pm 17th March 2022 held at Dalton Parish Hall

Members: Cllrs D Pickering (Chair), S Pickering, C Barron, M Bray, C Malia, P Botham, R Gleadhall, M Gleadhall, R Fox, K Oxley, B Boyle, and J Carrington

In Attendance: J Holsey (Clerk), Cllr S Allen (RMBC Joint Working Group and Local Councils Chair and Deputy Leader), Mrs N Hacking (RMBC Neighbourhoods) and PC R Pittendrigh

5973 To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting

None

5974 To consider the approval of reasons given for absence

N/A

5975 To note any declarations of interest on items to be discussed at this meeting

Cllrs R Gleadhall, K Oxley and P Botham item 5983.4 and Cllr J Carrington item 5983.6 – declaration of interest forms completed by councillors

5976 To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 17th February 2022

Resolved: The minutes were accepted as a true record

5977 To resolve if members of the press and public are to be excluded from any agenda items of the meeting due to the nature of the business to be transacted. Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2))

None

5978 To note any issues from members of the public in attendance

No members of the public were in attendance

5979 To consider any community matters from Councillors

None

Cllr C Barron arrived 18.35pm

5980 To welcome Cllr Sarah Allen to the meeting and note introduction and information

5980.1 To note emails received regarding RMBC Joint Working group minutes and terms of reference

Cllr Allen introduced herself as Chair of the Rotherham Borough and Local councils Joint Working Group.

She explained the group had been established for RMBC and Parish Councils to work in partnership. The agenda is set by the group, but any Parish Council can request an item

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to go on the agenda via the Vice Chair, Cllr Clive Jepson (Anston Parish Councillor) or RMBC Liaison Officer

The group has worked on various issues including flooding and is presently working on youth provision which has been identified as “there is not enough of it or what is available is inappropriate”.

She advised there is a consortium of parish councils in the area that are looking at youth provision in the area with a view to paying from precept for appropriate provision. This will be raised at the Parish Liaison Meeting on 11th May at Lyric Theatre, Dinnington. It is an open invite for all Parish Councils to attend. Cllr Allen proceeded to advised that RMBC is the only council in Yorkshire that has a Parish Liaison Officer (Janice Curran who presently on secondment).

Other areas the working group is looking into is training on how the planning system works.

18.45pm Cllr J Carrington arrived

19.10pm, Cllr S Allen and N Hacking left the meeting.

The police were in attendance and the Chair brought forward agenda item 11 to consider at this Juncture

5981 To consider Police Report

PC Roy Pittendrigh was in attendance who covers Dalton and Thrybergh Area. He gave a comparison of crime trends and other related incidents on this time last year. In brief he advised commercial burglaries have reduced and domestic burglaries have increased, this is due to people returning to work after lockdown. He also gave details regarding the police response times.

5982 To receive a verbal Clerk update regarding matters from previous meetings

5982.1 To discuss and agree fencing specification from Wickersley Youth at Ruby Cook Recreation

The response from Wickersley Youth regarding the fencing requested at the February ordinary meeting was noted (minute 5963.1.1 refers). The specification for the fencing was approved and Wickersley Youth to be advised to proceed as per specification.

5982.2 To discuss and agree options for Cllr Nellie McHale's memorial

Resolved : To order the 1800 Cavendish Seat in Eroko wood finished in two coats of dark oak spirit-based wood stain with option 2 engraving (over 2 lines) with the wording “Donated in memory of Dalton Parish Councillor Mrs Nellie McHale”

5982.3 To agree selection dates and interview dates/panel for Sunnyside Caretaker

Resolved : that selection date of Tuesday 29th March, Interview Date Tuesday 5th April and interview panel consisting of Cllrs C Malia, K Oxley, and the Clerks.

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5983 To consider financial matters including: -

5983.1 The authorisation of payment of accounts since the last meeting (distributed at the meeting)

Resolved: The below payments were authorised at the meeting: -

CHQ/DD	Transaction Detail	Date Paid	Total	Payee Name
BACS	Salaries - February	25/02/2022	£3,362.60	Various
BACS	Memo of Fees	25/02/2022	£44.40	R Ogle
BACS	PAYE	25/02/2022	£962.23	HMRC
DD	Litter Picker Mobiles	01/03/2022	£21.17	EE and T-Mobile
DD	Pension Fee	07/03/2022	£18.00	Smart Pension
DD	Gas DPH 28/1-28/2/2022	08/03/2022	£1,107.56	SSE Energy
DD	Pension	10/03/2022	£666.55	Smart Pension
DD	Pension	18/03/2022	£1,771.08	SYPS
DD	Bill for February	22/03/2022	£68.71	O2
DD	HSBC Charges	22/03/2022	£8.00	HSBC
DD	Electric 8/2/2022-7/3/2022	22/03/2022	£127.01	British Gas
DD	Grass Cutting Contract	26/03/2022	£1,231.21	RMBC
DD	Telephone & Broadband	28/03/2022	£93.34	XLN Telecom
DD	Copying Charges	28/03/2022	£17.64	Copy Print Scan Limited
BACS	Banners for Cafe	25/03/2022	£48.00	Edwards Signs
BACS	Grant - Minute 5964.2	25/03/2022	£1,000.00	Danes View Tenants Ass'n
BACS	Fire Risk Assessment x 2	26/03/2022	£684.00	JP Fire
BACS	Cleaning SSCC	26/03/2022	£80.00	K Lamb
BACS	HR Consultancy - 24 hours CCTV Callout, Keys &	26/03/2022	£720.00	Voluntary Action Rotherham
BACS	Padlock	26/03/2022	£183.43	P.N. Alarms Hobsons
BACS	Summer Planting	26/03/2022	£3,000.00	Nurseries
BACS	Fire Training	26/03/2022	£420.00	Fireguard Ltd
BACS	Refund 1 hour Hire Fee Dep Ref for HH 26/02	26/03/2022	£24.00	L Tshabalala
BACS	Tshabalala	26/03/2022	£50.00	L Tshabalala
BACS	Expenses	25/03/2022	£49.18	J Holsey

The high gas bill was queried, and the Clerk explained the issues since CNG went bust and the energy account was transferred SSE. SSE are charging at an incorrect Tariff - this has been raised through the broker.

Grass cutting payment was queried and council requested the Clerk to raise the none cutting of the grass with RMBC.

5983.2 To consider a grant request from Short Mat Bowls for £300.00

Resolved : Approved

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5983.3 To note changes to NJC salary rates from April 2021

Noted and back pay to be processed asap and backdated from April 2021

5983.4 To consider a free let request for a one-off event for Pride of Bramley Lodge Buffaloes

Cllr Gleadhall explained about the fund raising which the Buffaloes undertake and advised the event would be fundraising and donating the proceeds to a local community group

Resolved : Approved

5983.5 To receive an update from SEND youth club who currently hold a free let

Deferred as their attendance is in April

5983.6 To set the allotment rents for 2023/2024

Resolved : that the allotment rents are not increased

5983.7 To consider and agree the painting requirements for Sunnyside Community Centre following the committee meeting on 10th March 2022

Resolved : that the decision made by the committee is ratified and the contractor be appointed

5983.8 To consider and agree roofing repairs for Sunnyside Community Centre following committee meeting 10th March 2022

Resolved : that the decision made by the committee is ratified and the contractor be appointed

5984 To consider and confirm grass cutting contract following completion of tender process to commence 1st April 2022

Resolved: that RMBC is appointed, and the contract be awarded for 3 years as per tender

5985 To consider request to widen/remove motorbike prevention barrier on public footpath No6 – Fern Court and the Crescent East at Sunnyside

Members discussed the pros and cons regarding the requested alteration and concluded not to alter the entrance as members expressed concerns regarding the anti-social repercussions as to why it was installed in the first place. The council are also aware there are alternative routes that can be taken.

Resolved : not to agree to the request due to concerns re anti-social repercussions re off road bikes

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- 5986 To consider suspension of Standing Orders as 2 hours had elapsed since the start of the meeting**

Resolution:- to suspend Standing orders and allow the meeting to continue

- 5987 To discuss and agree any actions with regard to Rotherham Nature Recovery Campaign**

Resolved : To declare a Nature Emergency with a view to the council supporting voles

- 5988 To approve the audited accounts for Sunnyside Community Centre, year ended 31st July 2021**

Resolved : that the accounts to 31st July 2021 are approved and signed and the checklist confirmed.

- 5989 To receive and approve the fire risk assessments for Dalton Parish Hall and Sunnyside Community Centre**

The risk assessments and action plan were discussed, and the volume of work involved. To be worked through over the next 12 months on a priority basis in liaison and help of the caretakers.

Resolved : that the risk assessments approved and received

- 5990 To consider and agree action with regard to tree pruning works at Dalton Parish Hall**

Members were provided with a report with three quotes, a further quote had also been received after preparation of the report.

Resolved : that Quote 4 be approved in the sum of £300.00

08.45pm Cllr J Carrington left the meeting

- 5991 To consider any general correspondence and publications including:-**

5991.1 To receive a summary and agree any actions for play inspection reports

All items on the play inspection reports were low, so no action required.

- 5992 To consider planning matters including new planning applications in Dalton**

5992.1 Planning: - 8 – 11 (List 11 items to be emailed to councillors prior to the meeting)

Resolved: The below planning items were noted: -

RB2022/0239 – 14 Hounsfield Road East Herringthorpe – rection of single storey side extension with canopy over existing part of front elevation

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RB2022/0320 – 17 Bluebell Wood Lane, Sunnyside – Two Storey side extension

5993 To notify the Parish Clerk for any matters for inclusion on a future agenda

Any items to be notified to Clerks

5994 To note dates of future committee meetings, events, and the next Parish Council

Parish Council – 6:30pm

28th April 2022

19th May 2022

16th June 2022

21st July 2022

15th Sept 2022

20th Oct 2022

17th Nov 2022

Other Meetings / Events

Dalton Parish Council Community Café held on the above dates at 10am – 12 at Dalton Parish Hall except for 28th April - Community Café to be held on 21st April 2022


Finance meeting – 7th April

Sunnyside Charity Meeting 28th April 2022 6pm

Gala 4th June 11am – 4pm

Sunnyside Community Centre Committee Meeting 9th June 2022 6.30pm at SSCC

The meeting was closed at 21:05pm

Chairman.......... **Date 28th April 2022**