**Whiston Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 26th June at 6.30 pm at Whiston Parish Hall.**

**Present: -** R. Brown T Stevenson, N Tranmer, D. Dodson.

**In Attendance:** Clerk to the Council.

Borough Cllrs Cowles, Turner, Short

6 members of the public

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| **022/18**  **023/18**  **024/18**  **025/18**  **026/18** | **To Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence**  M. Yarlett (away). D Bridge (work commitment), G. Smales & K. Ferris (other commitments).  **To Receive Declarations of Interest**  Item 17 Festival of Brass: R. Brown and D. Dodson – Non-pecuniary as organisers of the event.  **Public Discussion Period**  All members of the public attended regarding the proposed stopping up of Doles Lane. Cllr Cowles noted advice of likely costs historically from RMBC. RMBC now ready to take court action (25th July) and have asked for £2000 administrative contribution. Farmers had agreed to fully fund the gates to prevent vehicular access.  Resident on Doles Lane advised of significant problems with fly-tipping and lack of kerb cleaning etc which they currently undertook. Litter picks every day (2 residents do this). Two vehicles have had acid thrown on them when resident vehicles approached people about litter. Problems with drugs and antisocial behaviour also noted.  Doles Lane used by people across the parish not just immediate vicinity. Action group had been formed some time ago, initially to thwart planning nearby. Currently a classified highway. Court fee £250 plus £2000 RMBC administrative fees. Action group had funded a further £1000 to date and would pay the £250 court fee from their remaining funds.  Noted RMBC would probably save significant cost in reduced fly-tipping costs, although no specific logs relate to location. It was not a statutory obligation however on RMBC to stop-up highways.  **Approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held - 15 May 2017**  **Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th May 2017 be approved as a true and accurate record.  **Matters Arising from the Minutes**  012/18 – Insurance. Noted Barn insurance now recharged and paid by the tenant. The Council’s insurers had no issues with the current arrangements for the hall bar. The Clerk had however received confirmation from the bar provider that he did have public liability insurance to cover the hall bar arrangements (mobile).  018/18 - Update provided regarding the Heritage Society with the group to advise of any specific requirements for the Council to consider in due course.  020/18- Noted no decision yet regarding the Sitwell Arms planning application. Noise nuisance also noted with outside entertainment now occurring and Environment Health contacted. |
| **027/18** | **Casual Vacancy**  Noted two residents had expressed an interest in filling the casual vacancy. Members agreed to invite the candidates to the July meeting to meet Councillors, before a final decision was taken. |
| **028/18**  **029/18**  **030/18**  **031/18**  **032/18**  **033/18**  **034/18**  **035/18**  **036/18**  **037/18**  **038/18**  **039/18**  **040/18**  **041/18**  **042/18**  **043/18**  **043/18**  **044/18**  **045/18**  **046/18**  **047/18** | **Monthly Accounts**  **Resolved:** That the monthly accounts be approved in the sum of £15,607.84 (schedule attached) together with retainer returns of £100.00  Noted Festival of Brass arrangements. Also noted purchase of bins for future events (inc festival) and recent break-in to the toilet block, with lock to be repaired but no items stolen.  **Bank Reconciliations to 31st May 2017**  The bank reconciliations to 31st May 2017 were agreed.  **Budget Monitoring inc Review of Events Budget**  Budget monitoring noted but agreed to increase the events/Christmas budget to £15,000. (Any increase would be funded from general reserves).  **Approve Annual Accounts for Year Ended 31st March 2017 and note Internal Auditor Report**  **Resolved:** That the Annual Accounts for Year End 31st March 2017 be approved.  Internal Auditors Report noted – no matters for members to address.    **Approve Annual Return S1 (Governance Statement)**  **Resolved:** That the Annual Return S1 (Governance Statement) be approved  **Approve Annual Return S2 (Accounting Statement)**  **Resolved:** That the Annual Return S2 (Account Statements) be approved  **Doles Lane Stopping Up Application- Request for funding**  DEFERRED until the July meeting.  **Garage Rent Review**  **Resolved:** That the solicitor’s fees for a new lease be approved.  The tenant had been approached but had yet to confirm whether they wanted to retain the garage and enter into a lease at the new rate. The Clerk to follow up.  The duration of any lease would be decided in due course subject to any legal advice in this regard.  **Cowrakes Play Equipment – Approve Equipment Repair**  **Resolved:** That the cost of repairs be approved (AMG Sport Ltd) for swing, roundabout and surfacing repair.  Item 16 moved to confidential session (Contractual tenders).  **Festival of Brass**  Noted no rock band was planned following the brass competition. However, trombone “acrobat” event, prayer for Manchester incident and finale of fireworks was scheduled. Finish anticipated 8.30-9.00pm.    **Christmas installation**  Quote from Christmas Plus noted. It was agreed a comparable quote should be sought before a final decision was made. Clerk to approach Blachere.  Noted no update regarding the train due to Cllr Smales absence.  **Donation Request- “Whiston Natter”**  Noted application made by local resident to help alleviate those suffering from social isolation  **Resolved:** That concessionary hall use would be provided for 6 months and up to a maximum of £100 for set up/refreshments etc on provision of receipts.  **Additional Bus Service**  Borough Councillor Cowles provided details to members of an additional bus service that was to run two hourly Mon-Fri from Chaff Lane/High Street.  Smaller buses also to be provided by First Group from September.  **Events**  Community pantomime to be progressed after the Festival of Brass. No update regarding an Armistice event    **Correspondence**  None other than that already noted above  **Items for Future Agenda**  Youth Council  Christmas installation  Garage Rent Review Update    **Planning Applications**  **RB2017/0634** Sitwell Arms Pleasley Rd  New container bar in existing rear beer garden, new patio area with beach huts, timber fencing steps & planters and new storage container & bin store in existing car park area. **R*esponded- objections to design and historic setting of the conservation area***  **RB2017/0687** Tesco Stores Ltd, 17 East Bawtry Road  Display various illuminated & non-illuminated signs- ***No adverse comment***  **RB2017/0853** Whiston Infant & Junior School Saville Rd  Demolition & strip out of existing asbestos external wall construction, soffits, fascia.  double glazed upvc windows, doors & the supply & installation of new steel frame thermally  upgraded walls construction & new double-glazed windows and doors to the KS2 block  ***No adverse comment****.*  **Planning Determinations**  **RB2017/0355** 22 Reresby Road  Erection of outbuilding- **Granted**  **RB2017/0482** 77 Moorhouse Lane  Increase in room height to form room in the roofspace & juliet balcony to front- **Granted**  **RB2017/0524** Brecks Service Station, 17 East Bawtry Rd  Installation of new plant to replace and upgrade existing plant- **Granted**  **RB2017/0711** The Old Coach House, Rectory Drive  Non-material amendment to app RB2008/0263 to include replacement of proposed rear door & window on rear of extension with bifold doors with gable window over- **Granted**  **Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960**  Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press were excluded.    **Parish Hall – Toilet Refurbishment & Extension**  One quote received to date for the hall extension and toilet block.  One quote for the toilet block only.  More specifics were required and would be sought with at least 2 quotes to be received for the toilets and extension if possible.  Meeting for July scheduled for Tuesday 25th July at 6.30pm to allow for members to return from holiday.  There being no other business the meeting was closed at 8.15pm  Signed…………………………………………………  Dated ……………………………………………….. |
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