**Whiston Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting held Monday 15th April 2019 at 6.30 pm at Whiston Parish Hall.**

**Present: -** M. Yarlett, T. Stevenson, D. Dodson, A. Griffin; C. Davis. N Tranmer, R. Carter, G. Smales, K Ferris

**In Attendance:** Clerk to the Council. 16 members of the public.

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| **246/19**  **247/19**  **248/19**  **249/19**  **250/19**  **251/19**  **252/19**  **253/19**  **254/19**  **255/19**  **256/19**  **257/19** | **To Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence**  No apologies  **To Receive Declarations of Interest (other than standing)** - None  **Public Discussion Period**  Development- behind Lathe Road. Initially the Council objected to the development when it was suggested in the Local Plan. However, the planning application was to be considered at the May meeting.  Youth Club- Noted request for current extension of the service. Current noise issues noted for both the WI and the Wine Club.  Doles Lane – Noted some ongoing problems with fly-tipping and the request for CCTV. It was reported by the Chair that he understood that the Borough Councillors  Newsletter – Noted failure to receive the newsletter by a number of residents and questions about improved communication  **Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held –18h March 2019**  **Resolved:** That the minutes of the 18th March be approved as a true and accurate record.  **Matters Arising from the Minutes**  No matters raised.    **Monthly Accounts**  **Resolved:** That the monthly accounts be approved in the sum of £8633.80 (schedule below) together with £150.00 retainer refunds.  **Bank Reconciliation to March**  **Resolved**: That the bank reconciliations to 31st March 2019 be approved.  **Budget Monitoring to March**  **Resolved:** That the budget monitoring to March be received.  **RMBC Ward Councillor Report** - No Borough Councillors in attendance.  **Allotments- Update from Allotment Association**  Noted both allotments were currently leased from RMBC. Rotherham Allotment Alliance will be taking over responsibility from RMBC for all allotments in the District from 1st January 2020. Current negotiations still  centred around the allotments being designated as “statutory”. Members agreed that the Council reiterate again to RMBC that the parish council considered itself the designated allotment authority for Whiston and wished to have the freehold transferred to the parish council for the two sites currently leased.  **Youth Club** – Update inc approve grant application (Big lottery/Cash for Kids) and consider extension of age ranges and use of both rooms  Attendance levels reported to be very good. Various initiatives noted including attendance with the police, safeguarding and health and fitness.  Members agreed to a community litter pick proposed and a park trip subject to necessary risk assessments and insurance cover.  **Resolved:** That a residential be approved in principle subject to relevant health and safety and parental consents.  **Resolved:** That grant funding be approved for the big lottery for the residential trip and a promethean board from Cash for Kids  **Resolved:** That the staff be involved collectively in outreach work.  It was proposed that the club be extended to include a junior group. 6-7pm in the main hall with the existing group to continue in the conference room from 6 -8.30pm. JA to seek volunteer youth worker for the new session.  Consider extra soundproofing at the May meeting.  **Health & Safety –** nothing to report |
| **258/19**  **259/19**  **260/19**  **261/19**  **262/19**  **263/19**  **264/19**  **265/19**  **266/19**  **267/19**  **268/19**  **269/19**  **270/19** | **Parish Hall**  a) Update “meet and eat” sessions – Nothing to report but update for May meeting  b) Consider kitchen refurbishment specifications- Design and costing to be supplied in due course.  c) Consider Furniture – Alternative supplier to be approached up to the previously agreed budget.  d) Consider external decoration of the hall quotes - deferred to confidential session  **Environmental Issues**  a) Planter/basket enhancements- update  All items ordered and consent from RMBC received with the baskets now placed with Hobsons. Lamppost numbers to be provided to the Clerk to arrange the necessary surveys.  b) Basket swing theft - update.  North Notts to be approached to take delivery of the swing and arrange fitting.  Noted success of recent litter pick with 28 attending with further event on the 16th June. Noted assistance from the Sitwell Arms for refreshments  **Summer Event 2019 -**Update inc note grant request for brass event  at Newman’s School and consider “headline” event?  Event to be called the ‘Whiston Community Week’ which would be low key. Schedule noted with the full schedule to be advertised in the Parish Council newsletter and local press.  **Resolved:** That the Clerk and Chair to meet with the School Headteacher to discuss the proposed itinerary and costs.  **Newsletter -Call for Copy**  Members asked for copy to be included to be sent to the Clerk and delivery method to be considered at the May meeting  **Christmas Lighting/Event 2019** -To be deferred until the May meeting  **Staffing – Appoint interview panel and consider applications and further steps**  Cllrs Yarlett, Carter, Smales and Ferris to sit on the interview panel and shortlist and conduct interviews, with other interested members to provide any comments regarding the applications to the group prior to shortlisting. Clerk to also attend interviews.  The Council to approve any appointment in due course  **HS2- Update including consider recent request to support open letter from Midlands Connect**  **Resolved** To support the open letter from Midlands Connect  **Correspondence – Consider grant request for Ulley Arts Festival**  **Resolved:** To approve a grant of £150.00  **Items for Future Agenda**  Communications inc delivery of newsletter  “Soundproofing” at the hall with addition of doors.  Christmas lights  Whiston Community Week- Update and Newman’s grant application  Staffing – Clerk appointment    **Planning Applications**  **RB2019/0394** Sitwell Arms. Pleasley Road  Display of Illuminated Digital Electronic Display Screen  **Resolved:** That the application be objected to as not in keeping with the character of the conservation area, a cause of possible noise pollution and a distraction to approaching cars with insufficient evaluation of the impact on local resident amenity  **RB2019/0446** 393 East Bawtry Road,  Demolition of rear extension & detached garage & erection of two storey side & rear extension & single storey rear extension  ***No adverse comment***  **RB2019/047** 116 Flat Lane  First floor rear extension  ***No adverse comment***  **RB2019/0486** Guilthwaite Hall Pleasley Road  Single storey extension to existing detached garage  ***No adverse comment***  **Planning Determinations**  **RB2019/0225** 9 Rhodes Drive  Two storey and single storey rear extension- ***Granted***  **RB2019/0221** Newman School East Bawtry Road  Erection of timber shelter- ***Granted***  **Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960**  That in light of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press were excluded.  **Parish Hall- Consider painting quotes (contractual)**  **Resolved:** That the C Arnold quote be approved.    There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.00pm  Signed…………………………………………………  Dated ……………………………………………….. |
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| Active Network | Festival Deposit -football freestyler | BACS | 65.74 |
| YLCA | Clerk Advert | BACS | 15.00 |
| E West | Festival Deposit - Jazz Trio | BACS | 75.00 |
| Splats Entertainment | Festival booking | BACS | 348.00 |
| O2 | Mobile inc device fee | DD | 16.63 |
| RMBC | Land & Garage Rent | DD | 19.46 |
| Cooper Typo | Villager article | BACS | 78.00 |
| Virgin Media | Youth Club - Monthly mobile (JA) | BACS | 6.00 |
| C K Finch | Gardening contract -Apr | BACS | 300.50 |
| RMBC | Clerk Advert | BACS | 120.00 |
| RMBC | Quarterly allotment rent- Barfield | BACS | 9.38 |
| RMBC | Annual waste contract | BACS | 1132.43 |
| YLCA | Annual Subscription | BACS | 827.00 |
| CE&PS Ltd | Hall electricals | BACS | 2160.00 |
| Baker Ross | Youth club crafts (Reimburse JA) | BACS | 33.67 |
| J Arno | Youth Club | BACS | 59.80 |
| Ace Janitorial | Hall cleaning products | BACS | 122.56 |
| British Gas | Hall electricity | DD | 355.25 |
| Various | Salaries April | BACS | 2277.48 |
| Peoples Pension | Pension contributions | DD | 85.86 |
| HMRC | NICs & IT- April | BACS | 526.04 |
| **TOTAL** |  |  | **8633.80** |