

Garsdale Parish Council

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Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 1st February 2018 at Garsdale Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

Councillors Annette Colton, Graham Lant, Gillian Dickinson, Thomas Todd. Bill Mawdsley, Dave Labbate and **Clerk** Philip Johns

1. Apologies

Nick Cotton, Hamish Wilson

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were declared.

3. Minutes

Minutes of the 16th November Council Meeting were signed.

4. County Councillor and District Councillors' report

No CC or DC attended

5. Progress reports

1. Clerk had been notified that elections would be held for all councillors on 3rd May and would be attending a SLDC meeting sometime in March for a briefing. The bank mandate form was nearly ready and Hamish was to call in to complete the signing.
2. Village hall: the final part of the grant had been paid but Andrea needed the final invoices to balance her books before the year end. The water had been tested by SLDC and although there appeared to be no problem on the day, the subsequent report was a fail on all categories. Annette suggested an 'official opening' with a photo opportunity to help publicise the hall, possibly at the parish meeting in May. Concern was expressed about the roof which was leaking in places. Extensive work may be required as a lot of patch work repairs had been carried out previously. Graham would look at obtaining quotes and to look at the extent of work required. This will be discussed at next week's hall committee meeting. Neville has declined the work and although within the capabilities of some residents, the work may be too consuming. When the quotes were in and the extent of the work was known, the diocese could be approached for a possible grant or even to sell the hall to the hall committee. Richard informed the council that one light was faulty and the instructions for the heating had disappeared and would be replaced.
3. Highways: there were presently 3 sets of temporary lights along the A684 but little work was being carried out. A large work force from Highways and an underwater team had initially turned up but apart some bags of stone being put into the river to shore up the wall, the lights seem redundant. Clerk will write to Nick Cotton regarding the work schedule and the running costs of the lights, reputedly £250 per set, per week. Dave L said that there were some drains and culverts that needed clearing and was causing water to pool on the road but when discussed with Highways, they seemed unaware of the position of them. The Old Road was deteriorating rapidly with some dangerously deep potholes that were unavoidable. Council had been made aware of cars being parked on The Street overnight without lights and the new occupants of Rose Cottage should be advised before the police become involved.
4. Post 16 Transport: no progress.

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5. Broadband: there have been some wayleaves signed and Griesdale was nearly covered although clerk, as coordinator, had not received anything yet.
6. Motorbikes: NTR but Amanda Coleman will be invited to the next meeting.
7. Transparency: clerk and Chairman still had not met regarding the hand-over of the website and some training due to time constraints on both sides, but will endeavour to meet.
8. Battles Over: clerk informed council that the idea was to light a beacon at 7.00pm on 11th November in coordination with others nationwide so changing the date was not an option. Annette suggested bringing this topic up at the parish meeting to see if there was any interest especially as it was so close to bonfire night.

6. Public/open session

None.

7. Updates from Community Groups

None.

8. Financial matters

1. Cheques for payments of 2 months' clerk salary were signed.
2. The balance stood at £3188.95. The precept form for £2000 was signed and should be paid to council in April.
3. The grant was now fully paid up

9. Correspondence

1. A planning app for the Barn near the Hill had been received but councillors had not raised any objections before the consultation deadline. Bill had registered one concern on a personal basis.
2. The crime report showed no notified crime for Garsdale.

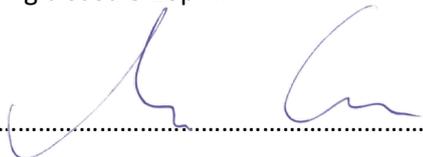
10. Councillor matters.

None.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 15th March 2018.

Meeting closed 8.20pm.

Chairman.....

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Please note that these are draft minutes, subject to change and will not be signed until the next meeting.

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