

Murton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Murton Parish Council held on Wednesday 12 October 2016 at St James' Church, Murton

Present: Cllr I Waddington, Chair: Cllrs D Rothwell, R Clancey, R Kettlestring, D Wells. A McFarlane (Clerk), Cllr M Warters (Ward Councillor)

16/429 Declaration of Interests: Cllr Rothwell declared an interest in item 16/435 a)

16/430 Apologies for Absence: Cllr D Harriman, Cllr J Brooks (Ward Councillor)

16/431 Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 September were approved and signed as a correct record

16/432 Matters arising

a) Neighbourhood Plan –

Cllr Clancey reported on the latest status regarding preparation of the draft Plan. A discussion took place on whether to involve the whole village but this was inconclusive. The City of York Local Plan was due to be produced in 2018.

b) Blocked gullies and drains – CoYC Highways Engineer had reported that the drain infrastructure in Murton needing updating when finances permitted as this was the underlying cause of water not draining away. Gullies were planned to be cleared on a quarterly schedule.

c) Encroachment – Nothing further has been heard from City of York Council despite email chases by the Clerk and Cllr Warters. It is understood that the landowner has a solicitor handling the issue.

d) Noticeboard in main street – it was decided at an earlier meeting to replace the existing noticeboard by means of a Ward Grant from the 2017 budget. The clerk was asked to enquire about the possibility of using any remaining 2016 Ward funds for the purpose.

e) OS Field 9729 Moor Lane – there were concerns that fly tipping was still being carried out at the location.

f) Public Footpaths – it was agreed to walk the Public Footpaths in the Parish to ascertain if there were any obstructions or any repairs to stiles or signs that were needed. The clerk was to produce a map of the paths at the next meeting in November.

g) Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities – Cllr Wells and the Clerk had submitted the application for a laptop, printer/scanner and a Word programme and were awaiting notification that costs would be covered by a grant from the fund.

16/433 Correspondence – Nothing of interest received.

16/434 Police and Crime

A Police Report was received stating that there was one incident of ASB. Cllrs were directed to the Police website to look up incidents themselves – www.police.uk/crimemap

16/435 Planning

- Prospect Farm – the Chair had written to CoYC asking for plans for a garage/workshop to be revised
- 7 Cavendish Grove – there were no objections to an application for an extension

16/436 Finance:

- It was agreed to pay TCV £480.00 for works to Murton Pond.

- It was agreed to pay Zurich Insurance £269.35 for the annual premium.
- It was agreed to pay PKF Littlejohn £120.00 for the external audit.
- It was agreed to pay Mrs I Waddington £11.98 for wildflower seeds.
- It was agreed to pay Aspects Horticulture £144.00 for village grass strimming.

16/437 Ward Councillor Report:

Cllr Warters reported that the planting of “Gateway” trees on the village approach from Osbaldwick may act as a traffic calming measure. Councillors were concerned that this might create a hazard.

16/438 Any Other Business

There were no matters brought to attention.

16/439 Date of next meeting - Wednesday, 9 November 2016