

PARISH COUNCIL OF BUGTHORPE AND KIRBY UNDERDALE

Minutes of the 141st Meeting of the Parish Council held at Kirby Underdale Village Hall on Monday 10 September 2018

Present: Councillors: C S Fenton
 Lady Halifax
 R Crow
 S W Huffington
 F Goodhart
 D Pearson
 K Robinson
 D J Lord
 In attendance: Councillor D N Rudd

1. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Birks
2. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4 June 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.
3. Declarations of Interest – The Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2001. There were no declarations of interest.
4. Matters Arising from the last Meeting:
 - a. Potholes – The Clerk reported that the jet patching machine has repaired potholes between Bugthorpe and Brickyards and also between Kirby Underdale and the junction with the Malton Road. Councillor Lady Halifax and Councillor Goodhart commented that these repairs have not been carried out to an adequate standard and there are still potholes that require repair. The Clerk will contact the Area Engineer to request that further repairs are carried out.

The section of road between Bugthorpe and the County boundary beyond Thoraby is to be closed for 3 days commencing on 1 October to carry out carriageway repairs. The Clerk confirmed his understanding that Bugthorpe and Kirby Underdale parishes are on the surface dressing programme for 2019, but will request clarification on exactly which roads will be done next year.

 - b. Signage on A166 – The Clerk reported that Paul Copeland had confirmed that the signage would be attended to as part of the Garrowby Hill resurfacing project. However, this has not been done and Councillor Rudd agreed to contact Mr Copeland to establish when the signage will be improved for the Bugthorpe junction at Kitty Hill.
 - c. Proposed footpath diversion at Bugthorpe Grange – The Clerk reported that a consultant on behalf of Halifax Estates has submitted written representations to the Secretary of State. The next stage will be for an Inspector to walk the proposed diversion route before making a decision.
 - d. Pecuniary Interests forms – The Clerk agreed to distribute another set of forms to Councillors who have not yet returned them.
 - e. Snow clearance by farm vehicles – The Clerk will suggest to Mike Stringer, the tenant of Joiners Farm, Kirby Underdale that he contacts East Riding of Yorkshire Council to be included on the list of approved contractors for snow clearance. This should ensure that he is paid for all the clearance work that he carries out on the roads surrounding Kirby Underdale.
 - f. Kirby Underdale Notice Board – Unfortunately due to the heavy workload of the Halifax Estates' joiners, the new notice board is not yet in place. Councillor Pearson commented that there is frustration within the village regarding the current inability to display notices. The Clerk agreed to ensure that the new notice board is in place as soon as possible.

- g. Overgrown hedge at Freestone House, Bugthorpe – accepted as a matter of report.
- h. Adoption of financial regulations – The Clerk confirmed that Councillor Robinson had agreed to establish what needs to be put in place and report at the next Meeting.

5. Other Matters.

- a. Storm damage to trees across both parishes – The Clerk reported that during the violent storm that occurred on Friday 27 July, several hundred trees have been damaged across both parishes. The Halifax Estates Forestry Department had have to prioritise dangerous trees and trees that could not be accessed when ground conditions deteriorate. A tree surgeon has already spent several days removing hanging branches and is due to return to complete this exercise.

Councillor Goodhart complemented both the Estate Forestry Department and also the tenant farmers over the prompt clearance of the roads in the Kirby Underdale area in the immediate aftermath of the storm.

Councillors agreed that, subject to availability of funds, it would be appropriate to contribute to tree planting in appropriate places in both parishes. The Clerk also agreed to research the availability of grants for community tree planting.

- 6. Correspondence – no comments were made.

7. Any Other Business

- a. The Clerk confirmed that the Police & Crime Commissioner for Humberside has convened several meetings in October and November to which Parish Councils are invited. The closest meetings are at Driffeld Rugby Club on 3 October between 7-8.30 pm and the Kilnwick Percy Resort on 11 October 7-8.30 pm. The Clerk asked Councillors to confirm it they would like to attend so that the Engagement Officer can be notified.

- b. Councillor Crow reported that the current balance on the Bugthorpe Parish Clock Fund is £3,072.

- c. Councillor Crow reported that dog fouling in Bugthorpe is on the increase and though this might be because a number of children have been walking the family dogs and they may not be aware of the necessity to pick up. Councillor Crow and the Clerk are to discuss the possibility of sending a letter out to dog owners within the village reminding them of their responsibilities.

- d. Despite the extensive clearance of the verge on Barf Hill, Councillor Lady Halifax raised her concerns about the inadequate visibility around the corner at the bottom of Barf Hill. It was agreed that Councillor Lady Halifax and the Clerk would meet on site to discuss what could be done to improve this situation.

- e. Councillor Rudd confirmed that East Riding of Yorkshire recycle 73% of waste, which is currently the highest percentage in the country. However, there is a problem with electrical goods being disposed of in the blue bins and collection points are being set up during the period 24-30 September to take electrical goods.

- f. The Chair asked whether anything more is known about the laying of fibre to Kirby Underdale by BT. The Clerk confirmed that he has not been notified of when this project will commence. Councillor Goodhart thought that it was imminent.

- g. The Clerk confirmed that Halifax Estates have received planning consent for the new grain store at Brickyards Farm. The building has now been completed and is full of grain.

8. Date of Next Meeting.

The next Meeting was fixed for Monday 3 December 2018 at Kirby Underdale Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Meeting was closed at 8.05pm.