

PARISH COUNCIL OF BUGTHORPE AND KIRBY UNDERDALE

Minutes of the 155th Meeting of the Parish Council held at Kirby Underdale Village Hall on Monday 7 March 2022

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| Present: | Councillors: | D J Pearson– Chair F Goodhart K Robinson H T Paul R Crow T Atkinson D J Lord - Clerk |
| In attendance: | Ward Councillor | D N Rudd |

1. Apologies for Absence were received from Councillors Lady Halifax, Birks and Huffington.
2. Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 6 December 2021 were approved and signed as a true record by the Chair and Clerk.
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. Bugthorpe & Kirby Underdale telephone boxes – The Clerk confirmed that the Bugthorpe telephone box had been taken to Garrowby Sawyard for refurbishment. A discussion then took place about using both telephone boxes to house the defibrillators. To avoid significant financial cost in doing this it was agreed that a sign should be located on the car park wall directing members of the public to the defibrillator in the back yard. A similar sign could be put on the corner of the Kirby Underdale Village Hall directing the public to the defibrillator at the back.

With regard to the Bugthorpe telephone box it was agreed to the proposal to make it a book exchange and therefore the Estate Joiners will fit the necessary shelves.
 - b. Dog fouling in Bugthorpe & Kirby Underdale. – Councillors Crow raised the possibility of installing a dog bin in Bugthorpe. Councillor Rudd responded by saying that East Riding of Yorkshire Council do not encourage the installation of dog bins in villages, but would be prepared to put in general waste bins which could then take dog waste. It was agreed that it would not be appropriate to install general waste bins in Bugthorpe village.
 - c. Broadband – The Clerk confirmed that Halifax Estates will continue to press BT Openreach for a response regarding the fibre scheme for Kirby Underdale and the outlying properties not served by the existing fibre connection in Bugthorpe.
 - d. Potholes – the Clerk reported that over the last 3 months the potholes have deteriorated throughout both parishes. It is therefore his intention to survey the roads once the risk of frost has passed, to identify potholes and report them to East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Councillor Rudd asked to be copied into this correspondence.

It was agreed that Halifax Estates would fill the large depression on Stephenwath Lane, which is not part of the highway, but is used as an informal passing place.

e. Traffic congestion at Stamford Bridge – Councillor Rudd said that he attends monthly liaison meetings with the prison to monitor development of the new facility. However the issue of congestion at Stamford Bridge has not been discussed at any of these meeting. Councillor Rudd suggested that the Clerk should contact Councillor Kay West, who is one of the Ward Councillors for the Stamford Bridge area.

f. Roadside grips – accepted as a matter of report.

g. Additional recycling– Councillor Robinson said that she is receiving some recycling so that she would continue collecting it for the time being.

h. Community Litter Pick – the Clerk confirmed that the litter pick would take place between 9am and 11am on 19 March. Flyers will be distributed over the next few days. Councillor Crow confirmed that he still had a good supply of black plastic bags and the Chair said that he would contact Stamford Bridge Scouts to borrow the litter pickers again.

5. Other Matters.

a. Jubilee Pasture – Councillor Robinson and the Clerk reported on the scheme to create a community space adjacent to Pasture Farm for both Bugthorpe and Kirby Underdale parishioners, as well as visitors to our parishes, to enjoy. Halifax estates have already planted some trees, donated by the Woodland Trust, on the site’s periphery. It is proposed that ‘Jubilee Pasture’ will be developed with a pond, benches, a wild-flower meadow and an information board. A National Heritage Lottery Fund grant application is being made to cover the cost. The Chair clarified that this is a Parish Council application and that the Parish Council would have to accept ongoing responsibility for the site, in conjunction with the agricultural tenant, David Wardell. The proposed development, and grant application, was unanimously supported.

b. Pedestrian bridge across beck at Low Hall – Councillors noted that East Riding of Yorkshire Council have accepted responsibility to carry out the necessary repairs.

c. Water main leaks – the Clerk is in the process of contracting Yorkshire Water regarding the regularity of leaks on the water main between Bugthorpe and Kirby Underdale. It would appear that due to the age of the water main, it has become brittle and requires replacement. The Clerk will report progress at the next Parish Council Meeting.

d. Planning applications at South Wold Farm – Councillors noted that planning permission has been granted for two new pig buildings to be erected at South Wold Farm.

e. Future of Kirby Underdale Village Hall – the Clerk reported that 65 questionnaires were returned, of which 53 were in favour of retaining the Village Hall. A programme of repairs will now be put together in an attempt to make the facility more attractive to potential hirers.

f. Application to crown reduce two lime trees at The Old Rectory, Bugthorpe– Councillors accepted this as necessary for safety reasons.

g. Retrospective approval was given for the following payments:

Parish Pump £45.00

G. Sissons – half year bus shelter cleaning £50.00

K. Robinson – reimbursement of website expenses £51.00

6. Correspondence.

No comments were made.

7. Any Other Business

- a. Councillor Robinson confirmed that she would apply to the Jubilee Fund for a grant to assist with the costs of the Jubilee gathering at Bugthorpe War Memorial Institute on Thursday 2 June 2022. The grant available is between £100 and £500, and this can go towards either the refreshments or possibly commemorative gifts for the children made by the Bugthorpe Pottery.
- b. Councillor Crow warned of current scams profiting from the fund raising efforts for the people of Ukraine. Councillor Robinson said that she would ensure that warnings were posted on both the Village and Parish Council web sites.
- c. The Chair mentioned that St Marys Church at Skirpenbeck is collecting on a Wednesday and Saturday between 9am and 1pm for the Ukraine crisis.
- d. Councillor Rudd confirmed that at an East Riding of Yorkshire Meeting held on 23 February it was agreed that the Council Tax would increase by 3.99% for 2022-23, with 2% going to social care and the balance towards general costs. The Fire Brigade are requiring a 1.99% increase and Humberside Police 4.1%. As a result of these increases, the Council Tax on a Band D will be £2,000.08 next financial year.
- e. Councillor Rudd mentioned that Councillor Hammond has sent a letter to Parish Councils regarding devolution and he would be prepared to attend a Parish Council Meeting to talk about this, if required.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next Meeting was fixed for 7pm on Monday 23 May 2022 at Bugthorpe War Memorial Institute.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.15pm.