

MINUTES OF SCROOBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 09 July 2018

SCROOBY VILLAGE HALL

1. Present

Chair Ed Marshall, Heidi Robbins, Elaine Gargett, Stephen Lincoln, Matt Pollard, Tony Smith (Clerk & Treasurer), County Cllr Tracey Taylor, District Cllr Barry Bowles

2. Apologies

Christine Bailey, Phil Walton. No members of the Parish were present.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

After amending para 9.1 and 14 to clarify the content the minutes were accepted:

Proposed by Stephen Lincoln, Seconded by Elaine Gargett.

4. Matters Arising

Are covered below, else.

7. Treasurer has still to buy the PC/Scanner from the Transparency Fund grant.

5. Correspondence

A number of notices, e-mails and letters had been received and were listed before the meeting.

Those of note or action were:

The "What's on in Nottinghamshire" mails – agreed to only circulate if they have a direct application to Scrooby.

OVO Energy Cycle Tour of Britain

Notts CC information re. website funding for small charities

Notts CC – Website link to see all planned Highways workings, passed to Councillors for use.

Correspondence from a parishioner regarding street access was not discussed as it contained personal abuse.

NALC – Consultation on the Constitution of NALC, circulated to councillors for comment.

6. District and County Councillor's Report

District Councillor, Barry Bowles. Reported not a lot to comment upon.

The Parish Council were glad to see Barry back at work again..

County Councillor, Tracey Taylor. Reported: WW1 Roll of Honour, had we been contacted re. names? Comment that the Scrooby / Bawtry War Memorial was accurate. **ACTION:** Clerk to check if we had though. Reminded about the Public Health Consultation. (Although it was noted the invitation was sent less than 1 week before the event)

Community Pay Back Teams (Local Tradesmen) Tracey to forward details to the Clerk.

Notts CC Review of how it works / merge to a "Unitary" council with Derbyshire and Leicestershire: Tracey noted Tony Smith's mail and concerns and stated the article was designed to be inflammatory. There are two different conversations in play: the first is about greater co-operation between the three counties (Notts, Derbyshire and Leicestershire) to secure a louder voice for the Midlands; this is about working together, not merging into a single super-council. The second proposal, about unitary authority for Notts (replacing the two tier District/County structure) has been around for many years and cannot happen by default because all councils (county and district) must support any change. Tracey was thanked for the background and clarification.

7. Finance Report

The Treasurer presented his report, which included only repetitive payments. The report was approved. Full details of the report can be viewed at www.scrooby.net.

Other matters:

- Annual Accounts – are only available for the usual Public Scrutiny until 20th July 2018.
- Data Protection Act (GDPR) changes for May 2018 – The Clerk reported this is still under analysis by the Clerk.

- Governance section of the Internal Audit Report. The Treasurer proposed items 7 & 8 involving Capital Projects and Receipting of Incomes to be discussed. They were and it was noted that very large Capital Projects would have its own detailed record anyway and so the Treasurer's proposals were agreed. **ACTION:** Treasurer to change Standing Orders to reflect that.

8. Police Report

The local PSCO Lucy Champion was invited because of the recent violent crime in the Village, but did not attend the meeting or send a comment. **ACTION:** Clerk to contact Lucy and ask for an update on the incident at the Caravan Site.

It was noted that Notts Police were trying to recruit Special Constables again.

9. Planning & Neighbourhood Plan

1. The Scrooby Neighbourhood Action Plan (SNAP) continues to progress. Stephen Lincoln has volunteered to come to the SNAP meetings and assist. No artists have come forward for the Cover pages though and so the competition has been withdrawn. Some responses from the "Call to Land" have been received all along the west of the Great North Road. These will be investigated in the following SNAP meetings. However, it was noted that any development along the Great North Road would cause highways issues and change the fulcrum of the village. A meeting of the Characteristic Report author was set for Weds, 11th July and the next full Steering Committee meeting is on Friday, 20th July at 5:00pm.
2. Planning Requests – One new request has been received, rear extension at Wooffenden House, Chapel Lane – passed to Phil Walton for comment. Additionally the failed application on Mill Lane – a request has been made as to how to turn this site into a commercial venture with Yurt camping. Passed on to BDC Planning.
3. Alpha House – Retrospective Planning Application 18/00502/HSE, continues.
4. Westgate House – As agreed, the Chair did send the letter of concern. The response was a re-iteration of the BDC previous comments. Now a Non-Material Amendment has been applied for, which usually are not sent to for public comment unless you see it on the Planning Portal.
5. Hanson Quarry, Barnby Moor application – more interesting events arising from a change in ownership of the land. Barnby Moor residents still aggressively oppose any workings.

10. Play Area

Nothing to report from Heidi Robbins.

11. Village Hall

Village Hall Extension Toilet Plans – Ed stated the plans were ready for pre-planning assessment. A possible source of funding from the Veolia Environmental Trust (suggested by Sandra Withington), had been checked and would be unlikely to succeed as we are outside of the area.

12. Village Environment

- The visit to the Tinker Lane Fracking testing site – was attended and the visit thought to be worth the time investment. The basic structures are now ready to receive the equipment which will prove the viability of the site. Noted, that most of the traffic goes to the A1 via Blyth and not Scrooby.
- Mill Lane – is getting overgrown again and needs Notts CC to tidy it up. Also noted Household domestic waste in the river. **ACTION:** Ed to contact Notts CC and the Environmental Agency for a clean-up. (Noted Mill Lane is the County Council responsibility, not the Parish or District councils)
- Chris Thompson and future Rights of Way around Scrooby. Heidi said the preferred pathway report had been discussed and that the Notts CC Authority had shown a better route which would reduce the number of owners to work with to one. It was also noted that recent approaches to local landowners from the Mayflower 2020 footpath team had been resolutely refused. Heidi will meet Chris again shortly.
- Noise – comments had been received about the level of noise drifting out of a recent party.

- Station Road / Church Lane – following a comment by a new parishioner regarding the overhanging trees and access by larger vehicles it was agreed that **ACTION:** Ed would contact the Church Authorities and Notts CC to review their “pruning”.
- Grass Cutting – Agreed for Elaine to ask ACER that if they could not cut the grass due to the dry spell, could they do some work in other areas.

13. Pilgrim Fathers Visitors Centre and Mayflower 400

The Illuminate Festival was still set for Scrooby this year, in October, PFOS to assist.

Investigations are continuing as to what can / will be done for the church.

The White family (a newly found link by Sue Allen) are to erect a plaque in Scrooby.

The New England Historical Society will visit Scrooby in September.

Sue Allen’s new books are proving a success and are on sale in the Church, profits back to the Church.

The next meeting / AGM will be in the Scrooby Village Hall in the morning of Weds, 25th July.

The planning application for the information boards has been referred back to Sandra Withington as regards their overall design.

14. Any Other Business

Scrooby Show, Sat 1st September. The Luke Winslow King Band, Village Hall, Sat 8th September.

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Meeting ended 8.55 pm.

Next meeting to be held on Monday 10 September 2018, 7.30 pm, Scrooby Village Hall, after the annual summer recess.