

Minutes of the Melbecks Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 1st December 2022 at Low Row Institute

The Melbecks Parish Council meeting was held on Thursday 1st December 2022 at Low Row Institute. Present were Councillors Fiona Bowe, Stephen Calvert, Darren Strafford and Andrew Silver. The Clerk was Miss N. Adams.

All were welcomed to the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Councillor Raymond Alderson and County Councillor Yvonne Peacock. Councillors sent their best wishes to Chair, Raymond Alderson and wished him a speedy recovery. It was agreed that Vice-Chair, Andrew Silver would chair the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interests: No declarations of interest were declared.

3. Minutes of the last meeting held on 13th October 2022

The minutes of the last meeting held on 13th October 2022 were agreed to be a correct record, and these were signed by the Vice-Chair.

4. Matters arising

Good Councillor Guides: These have been requested but none yet received. The clerk to ask again for these to be returned.

Bank mandate forms: These were distributed to Councillors Calvert and Silver for completion and the councillors were asked to return these to the Clerk.

5. Finance:

There were no finance items.

6. Highways

a) Highways Reply:

Grit bin: Highways have confirmed that this will be filled at the earliest possible opportunity.

Turning area behind the Low Row Institute: A reply has not yet been received regarding this. The clerk to report again.

7. RDC

a) Richmondshire Warm and Well notice: Councillors noted receipt of this from RDC, however it was agreed not to go ahead with this at the moment, as there is a requirement for the space to be manned for 11 hours per week, which may be difficult, and it was uncertain how much this would be used.

b) Streetlight: The light in Low Row, number 10 between Punch Bowl and Low Row Institute is off and the Clerk was asked to report this to RDC.

c) Surrender Bridge: Some top stones have gone into the beck where the work has been completed which need removing, before they are taken by a flood, the Clerk to report.

d) A questionnaire was circulated from the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding anti-social behaviour; the Clerk to complete.

8. NYCC

There were no items.

9. YDNPA

a) Planning application: It was highlighted by a councillor that a planning application had been submitted for full planning permission for upward extension of single storey workshop to create a residential upper floor over the retained ground floor workshop (live/work unit) at Brocca Bottom, Brocca Bank, Low Row, Feetham, DL11 6PF - R/05/52E. The Clerk has not had notification of this however the Clerk will contact YDNPA to clarify this.

10. Any other business

a) Bus shelter at Gunnerside. A resident has expressed a concern that there is currently nowhere for children to wait for the school bus, which can be up to 25 minutes at a time, and in wet weather, there is nowhere to stay dry. It was agreed for the Clerk to contact the Parish Clerk for Reeth and Fremington to find out more about the shelter that was put up there.

b) Poppy Wreath: Councillor Bowe proposed that a Poppy Wreath is purchased by the Parish Council which can be placed with those from other Parish Councils on Remembrance Day. The Clerk to find out more information for the next meeting.

11. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held in Gunnerside Village Hall on Thursday 2nd February 2023 at 7.30pm.

As there was no other business, the meeting closed at 7.55pm