

GRINTON & ELLERTON ABBEY PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Grinton and Ellerton Abbey Parish Council held on Monday 6th November 2023 at 7.00pm in Grinton Parish Hall

Present: Cllr Coates (Chair), Cllrs Barker, Barningham, Forrest, Heggie (Sunter) and Jones, the Clerk, PCSO Taylor-Paige and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies:

NYC Cllr Y Peacock

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th September 2023 having been circulated were approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising:

Parish Land: The decision taken to change the solicitors used for legal advice by email was noted.

Trees, Grinton Beck: The works have now been satisfactorily carried out and the bill has been received.

Heavy Vehicles using Moor Road: PCSO Taylor-Paige gave advice that the best way to report these vehicles was to use the Op Snap scheme on-line and also to email her.

Blocked Road Drain outside Mill House: The parish portal is showing that the works have been completed.

4. Correspondence:

Reeth, Healaugh and Fremington Parish Council:

Remembrance Day Service

The Parish Council have written to ask if anyone from this council will be attending the Remembrance Day parade and refreshments after. Cllr Coates will attend the service at the Church on behalf of this parish council.

Memorial Hall Works

As joint custodians of the Memorial Hall in Reeth, we have been informed that there are improvement works to be carried out The Memorial Hall Committee. This was noted and supported.

Upper Dales Community Land Trust: The Trust wishes to attend a meeting at some point in the next year to outline their plans to carry out a Housing Survey in district. The Clerk will send a list of meeting dates to them.

North Yorkshire Council: It was noted that there is a review of Polling Stations in the district and that it is possible to make comments via the internet.

Reeth and District Gazette and Citizens Advice Bureau: Letters requesting funding or funding information have been received from these organisations. Both were noted but the Parish Council is unable to help either organisation.

5. Finance:

Current Position:

The Clerk gave an update of the current financial position.

Precept 2024:

The precept for the current year is £5,500 and in line with inflation, it was decided to raise this to £6,000 for the coming year. The Clerk will complete the paperwork for North Yorkshire Council.

Book Exchange Monies Donation to PINKtober:

Cllr Barningham had suggested that we donate a portion of the proceeds of the Book Exchange for October to the fundraising being carried out locally for Cancer Research. Cllr Barningham suggested that 50% of the proceeds would be donated. Seconded by Cllr Jones and agreed Unanimously. The Clerk will arrange payment.

Cheques to sign:

Cheques were signed for:-

Clerks Wages

Abores Tree Services

RBL Poppy Wreath

Cancer Research UK

6. Any Other Business:

Emergency Plan: Jason Wainwright from NYC has emailed regarding an emergency plan for the parish. Whilst we do not have a formal emergency plan, it was felt that what was needed was for information to be available to the public as to where they could access things such as sandbags. This information could be available on the website or on the noticeboard in the bus shelter. It was agreed to forward Cllr Jones's email to Mr Wainwright should he wish to discuss this further.

Website: It may be beneficial to the Council to have their own website in the future. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact a local IT company to enquire about the costs involved.

Book Exchange: It was agreed that the word exchange would be removed from the Facebook page and signs and that Grinton Books would be used instead. A new feather sign will need to be purchased to reflect this.

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.

