MInutes of council meeting held 6th November 2018

Present: A Cargill, S Cawood, P Brooks, M Francis, L Berriman, L Burley, Cllr Rudd

Public P: Cllr Rudd: Grass cutting team has won a Public Services Excellence Award; Shale Gas exploration: ER Council is to lobby the government – that any requests for licenses to frack should go through the normal planning process. Cllr Francis expressed his thanks to ERC for the work that has taken place on Grimthorpe Hill. ACTION: Cllr Rudd to forward details of both these items to A Cargill for inclusion in Parish Matters.

Declarations: None

Apologies: Clerk, Rosanne

Co-option: P Brooks proposed the Council co-opts Sharon Cawood on to the Council; seconded by L Berriman. S Cawood signed the relevant forms and returned them to the Chair. The Chair welcomed S Cawood as a member of the Council.

Minutes: Dates need revision (referred to September and should have read October). Date of para-cycling event should read 21 September 2019. ACTION: clerk is to check where minutes of meetings are posted – should they be posted on the village website in addition to ER website? The minutes were signed as a true account, subject to the above amendments. ACTION: A Cargill and P Brooks to post signed minutes in Millington and Givendale notice boards.

Matters arising: Clerk has sent letter of thanks to Will Ackersley; Anti-bullying and harassment policy has been posted on website. Cllrs confirmed that so far as they are aware no grass cutting has taken place to date on Kilnwick Lane and Martins Lane.

A Cargill reported: 1) that the fly tipping has been removed from Swineridge; metals are to be cleared. 2) Parish Matters has an earlier deadline of this week – Mr Roberts will print it for this coming Friday (9 Nov). Village Plan: L Burley is to send to M Francis.

Accounts: Spread sheet was circulated – balance £4385.07. No cheques to be signed.

Bonfire Event: Risk assessment has been circulated to all councilors. L Berriman proposed that the Council now adopts this; seconded by P Brooks. The risk assessment was formally adopted. A Cargill confirmed the risk assessment had been used and read out a report provided by Mr Willoughby. She also circulated accounts (also provided by Mr Willoughby); (these to be forwarded separately to clerk for inclusion and brief summary in minutes). L Berriman suggested that if volunteers are unable to clear metals from the site, the council should consider paying to have it removed. Council agreed to place removal of metals on the next meeting agenda. ACTION: Clerk to place Removal of Metals from Bonfire Site on next agenda.

Rough Sleepers: Nil return from all present.

Commonwealth: Deferred due to absence of clerk.

Emergency Plan: Contact details were checked and amended where necessary: Community Organisations: Ramblers Rest and Gait Inn have already given permission – as have both churches. The following need checking:1) Snow Clearance: ACTION: A Cargill to check with Martin Nesom re Millington. ACTION: A Cargill asked S Cawood if she would check Givendale arrangements. These details can be passed direct to clerk to enable her to complete and send Emergency Plan. L Berriman added Pocklington Schools Infants, Juniors and Catholic; Bishop Wilton School and Warter School; neighbouring parishes.

Annual events doc: Deferred due to absence of clerk

Felling of Trees: Mr Stanton has asked about the felling of 3 trees on his allotment boundary, which the Council has since been able to confirm are owned by Mr Frank Willis. It has been explained to Mr Stanton that he can lop overhanging branches but cannot take the trees down. Council confirms that the 2 trees which mark the boundary between Mr Stanton’s allotment and that tenanted by Mr and Mrs Hadley are owned by the Parish Council. L Berriman suggested that matters should now be put in writing; clerk to be asked to write to Mr Stanton clarifying the following: 1) the Parish Council trees are not to be disturbed. 2) the 3 other trees are owned by Mr Willis who has indicated that he is prepared to allow the overhang to be cut back, and Mr Stanton should approach Mr Willis direct regarding this. ACTION: clerk to draft letter to Mr Stanton and A Cargill to check. Agreed that clerk/A Cargill would check the situation with the shed ie could clerk please confirm - has Mr Stanton received written confirmation that he can replace shed (which Cllrs reported has been taken down) with like for like shed in terms of size.

Defibrillator: No progress since Mr Willoughby’s resignation. L Burley reported that the Gait Inn is prepared to part-fund a defibrillator. A site is required - L Berriman offered to look into. L Burley is prepared to write the bid. P Brooks asked for clarification of maintenance costs. S Cawood proposed that the Council now take this forward – seconded by M Francis.

AOB: A Cargill reported resignation received from R McConachie and circulated email. L Berriman suggested council writes to thank Mrs McConachie for her years of work supporting the council. ACTION: can clerk please write letter of thanks to Mrs McConachie. It was acknowledged that Council is already holding a letter of application from Mrs Burton. ACTION: can clerk please take this forward as far as is possible in terms of advising ERC, advising vacancy etc and place on agenda for next meeting.

Next meeting: 4 Dec 2018

Agenda items for next time: website; defibrillator; commonwealth c; document of annual events; village plan; metal clearance from bonfire site; precept

Meeting closed at 8.52pm