

WEST BRETTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a virtual
Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council
held on
Monday 11 January 2021 at 7.30 pm
Via Zoom

Present

Cllr D Spaul (Chairman)
Cllr T Hodgson
Cllr L Watson
Cllr M Hofton

In Attendance

Clerk – Mrs S Earnshaw
No Members of the Public present
Helen Featherstone, YSP
D/Cllr S Harvey

2101/01 Welcome and apologies

The Chair, Councillor Spaul, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Councillor Wriglesworth and these were accepted.

2101/02 Public Admissions to Meetings Act (1960)

There were no items of a confidential nature to consider, if thought fit, a resolution under the terms of the Public Admissions to Meetings Act (1960) to exclude members of the public and press from any item on the agenda which may be of a confidential nature of the business being transacted.

2101/03 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest to record.

2101/04 Question Time

There were no questions.

2101/05 Police Matters

Police Crime Figures – October 2020

On or near Woolley Low Moor Lane	Anti-social behaviour 1
On or near M1 Services (N)	Other theft 1; Violence & Sexual Offences 1; Other crime 1
On or near M1 Services (S)	Other theft 1

There was also report of a serious sexual assault on Woolley Edge Lane on 24 December, although this was just out of the Parish boundary and the Clerk reported that someone was being held on remand and being charged.

2101/06 Yorkshire Sculpture Park

Helen Featherstone reported that due to the recent Tier 4 lockdown, the Sculpture Park is not fully open. Numbers of visitors is reviewed daily and moving to full closure again cannot be ruled out. Capacity is the lowest it has been for the last year but YSP do not wish to encourage visitors to travel long distances or any other behaviour which is not in the spirit of the current lockdown.

Members asked how many places are being allocated for local residents in West Bretton and Haigh and Helen confirmed she would review the latest allocation with a view to an increase, mindful that the current government advice that any exercise should be taken locally which has increased the number of residents making use of the Park.

Helen was thanked for her report and she then left the meeting.

2101/07 Bretton Hall

Nothing to report

2101/08 Highways Issues

Minute 2009/08 – A Zoom meeting had taken place between Highways representatives, D/Cllr Harvey and the four Rural Ward Parish Councils on 18 December 2020 and feedback had been received. D/Cllr Harvey gave an overview of the meeting and issues relating to road safety at the junction of Huddersfield Road/Bretton Lane by the School were discussed in detail. Members agreed that the entry radius needed tightening up meaning vehicles would have to slow down to take the corner safely. It was proposed that cones could be put out as a trial to see if it works although this action would need temporary signage. D/Cllr Harvey agreed to take this request to the District Council and Councillor Spaul and Councillor Hodgson agreed to provide her with further details on this suggestion.

Minute 2010/08 – Clerk to source costs for up to five sites for siting golden rivers.

2101/09 To receive the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held remotely on 14 December 2020

It was proposed by Cllr Hofton, seconded by Cllr Hodgson and **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 14 November be approved subject to the following amendments:

Minute 2012/09 heading – month correction

Minute numbers from 2012/09 to the end be amended

Minute 2012/11.3 the resolution to authorise payments was seconded by Councillor Watson.

Add on D/Cllr Sanders and D/Cllr Cynthia.

2101/10 Clerk's Report

2101/10.1 Updates arising from the minutes:

Minutes 2012/08. The issue regarding Japanese Knotweed Concern is ongoing with nothing further to report currently.

Minutes 2012/11.2 – repair of benches/purchase of new bench. Investigations on costs still ongoing. The donation from Pascon has been received in the Bank and they have increased it from £200 to £250 as an apology for the delay in sending.

Minutes 2012/11.4 – donation to Wakefield Community Foundation. Due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, the Treasure Hunt at the YSP has been postponed.

Minutes 2012/12 – Planning applications. Council comments and concerns regarding the number of trees being “lost” in the area and the email response received was distributed.

2101/10.2 To receive Correspondence and consider if action/responses are needed

Wakefield Council	Planning lists
Unity Bank	Monthly statements
NALC	Chief Executive's Bulletins
NALC	Coronavirus update
YLCA	White Rose updates
YLCA	Fortnightly training bulletins
WMDC	Response regarding tree works in the village
WMDC	Council Tax Base details for 2021/22
Wakefield Community Foundation	Newsletter
WMDC/DCllr	Follow up on Rural Highways meeting held 18/12
YLCA	Climate & Ecological Emergency Bill
YLCA	Being a Good Employer webinar training
YLCA	Coronavirus update following National Lockdown 4/1

2101/10.3 Financial statement and presentation of accounts payable

Mrs S Earnshaw	BACS	Clerk's Salary & in lieu of office (Jan2021)	137.90
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Sitlington Parish Council	BACS	Use of Zoom for remote meetings	5.00
HMRC	BACS	Tax period 9	30.40
Wakefield Community Foundation	BACS	Section 137	200.00

It was proposed by Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Spaul and **resolved** that these be paid via the Council's online banking.

2101/10.5 It was proposed by Councillor Spaul, seconded by Councillor Hodgson and **resolved** that the following budget proposals for 2021/22 be agreed:

Budget 2021/22	
Bank Charges	72.00
Salaries (including in lieu of office)	1656.00
HMRC	366.00
Membership fees	280.00
WBPC website maintenance fees	150.00
Insurance	430.00
Hire of Hall	102.00
Audit fees	175.00
Grounds maintenance	1122.00
Grants/Donations	1110.00
British Legion (remembrance)	35.00
Councillor/staff training	200.00
Election recharge	0.00

The above figures are estimates only and there may be some scope during the financial year on some items. Any actual expenditure over the precept of £5,250, however, will need to be met from the Parish Council reserves.

2101/10.6 It was proposed by Councillor Hodgson and seconded by Councillor Spaul that the precept demand for 2021/22 should be £5,250; A vote was taken and the result was: 4 for; 1 against.

2101/10.7 Consider and agree Ear Marked Reserves (EMRs)

It was proposed by Cllr L Watson, seconded by Cllr Spaul and **resolved** that the following amounts be put into EMRs:

- Bench(es) – repair/replace/additional - £1,500
- Planters/floral - £500
- Road Safety - £500

2101/10.8 To consider any grant applications received
There have been no grant applications received since the last meeting.

2101/11 Planning Applications received/approved for the period

2101/11.1 Validated Planning Applications:

20/02825/FUL – The Coach House, Huddersfield Road, Bretton
Erection of a two storey extension, alterations to existing window and door openings and demolition of existing conservatories.

Validated: 22 December 2020; Awaiting decision

20/02755/FUL – 11 Stoneybrook Close, Bretton
Proposed single storey extension to rear of property

Validated: 14 December 2020; Awaiting decision

No comments to submit to the District Council on the above applications.

2101/11.2 Planning Decisions:

20/02513/AGR - Bretton Mill Farm Huddersfield Road Haigh Barnsley S75 4BX

Agricultural Storage building

Validated: Mon 16 Nov 2020 | Status: Application withdrawn

2101/13 Community Issues

2101/13.1 Village Institute

Cllr Spaul reported:

- the Hall had reopened on 7 December and closed again for Tier 4 lockdown in early January.
- An enquiry from Wakefield Council for use as a polling station had been received but this may not happen

2101/13.2 West Bretton JI School - report of Governing Body

The next Governing Body meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 2 February 2021.

2101/13.3 WMDC Councillors' Reports

D/Cllr Harvey reported

- cases of Covid19 had increased in the District and vaccination centres have been set up with approximately 20% of residents 80+ having been vaccinated already.
- as the PACT meeting before Xmas had been poorly attended it had been agreed that Woolley/Woolley Grange/West Bretton will have joint meetings in future.

District Councillor Harvey confirmed she was working closely together with other D/Cllrs in Rural Ward.

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm