

## WEST BRETTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council at West Bretton Village Institute on Monday 9 October 2023 commencing at 7.30 pm

Present:  
Cllr D Spaul (Chairman)  
Cllr L Watson  
Cllr R Liley

In Attendance:  
Clerk – Mrs S Earnshaw  
Members of the Public – 1  
D/Cllr S Harvey

#### **2310/01 Welcome and apologies**

Cllr Spaul welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cllr Wriglesworth had submitted his apologies and the reason was accepted.

#### **2310/02 Public Admissions to Meetings Act (1960).**

There were no items of a confidential nature which required the exclusion of members of the public and press from any item on the agenda which may be of a confidential nature of the business being transacted.

#### **2310/03 Declarations of Interest**

There were no other declarations of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests from Members in respect to any other items on the agenda. Members signed the register.

#### **2310/04 Parish Council vacancies**

The Clerk reported there were no updates available. Details would continue to be advertised in the Village Voice and the noticeboards in the village.

#### **2310/05 Question Time**

Resident attended for an update on traffic issues.

#### **2310/06 Police Matters**

It was agreed that discussion on the Safe Scheme be deferred to the November meeting when it was hoped a representative of WY Police would be available to attend.

#### **2310/07 Yorkshire Sculpture Park**

No report available.

#### **2310/08 Bretton Hall**

The Clerk reported she had received an email from Jonathan Maud, Rushbond, but there are no further updates to share at this time and he had confirmed he would keep the Parish Council informed. Clerk to ask for a programme of works and completion date for these.

#### **2310/09 Highways**

a) Updates on previous concerns: none to report.

b) The following issues were raised at the meeting:

- the give way markings at the end of Park Lane are virtually none existent.
- Weeds are growing up through the pavement on Stoneybrook Close and damaging the tarmac.

Clerk to bring both issues to the attention of the District Council.

#### **2310/10 To approve as an accurate record the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 September 2023**

It was proposed by Cllr Watson, seconded by Cllr Liley and **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2023 be approved as an accurate record.

## 2310/11 Finance

- a) It was proposed by Cllr Liley, seconded by Cllr Watson and **resolved** to accept the bank statements, budget monitor and bank reconciliation, and approve the payments schedule. Income of £80 for a donation to the Bretton in Bloom hanging baskets had been received. Payments to be made via bank transfer and authorised by any two of Cllr Spaul, Cllr Liley or Cllr Wriglesworth. Councillors initialed the paperwork.

Members noted that Cllr Liley was now registered with the bank for authorising online payments.

Mrs S Earnshaw	Salary (October 2023)	£138.10	
HMRC	Tax period 7	£30.40	
Currys	Printer	£59.99	(reimburse Clerk)
Unity Trust Bank	Service Charge	£18.00	
Royal British Legion	Wreath and donation	£40.00	(reimburse Clerk)

- b) The request for a grant to assist with the cost of the overlay of the floor in the main hall to be deferred to the December meeting.
- c) There were no other grant applications for consideration.

## 2310/12 Scheme of Delegation

It was proposed by Cllr Liley, seconded by Cllr Watson and **resolved** to approve the Scheme of Delegation.

## 2310/13 Canvassing Village opinion

- a) It was agreed the priorities for the coming year would be:
- (i) Litter picking/enhancing the village
  - (ii) Traffic and related issues
- b) It was agreed that Cllr Watson would lead on (i) Litter picking/enhancing the village and Cllr Liley on (ii) Traffic and related issues.

Cllr Liley to be delegated authority to liaise with outside organisations on behalf of the Parish Council to promote the concerns of the residents regarding Traffic and other related issues in the village. To report back to the next meeting with any updates or developments.

Residents to be updated through the monthly Village Voice magazine.

## 2310/16 Clerk's Report

- a) Updates arising from the minutes not included on the agenda
- Christmas tree – confirmation had been received that the District Council will be paying the cost of provision of a tree for this year.
- Grass cutting – The Clerk reported the cutting schedule provided by T&D was a cut every two weeks over the season, with at least 12 cuts per year. Information from the District Council about its schedule for the village is still awaited.
- b) To receive Correspondence and consider appropriate action or responses:
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| Wakefield Council | Planning lists   |
| Unity Bank        | Monthly statements   |
| NALC              | Chief Executive's Bulletins  |
| YLCA              | Fortnightly training bulletins/White Rose updates/training opportunities |
| YLCA              | YLCA Annual Review   |
| WY Police         | Safe Scheme reports  |

West Bretton VH Request for donation towards replacing Main Hall floor  
Wakefield Council Recharge for uncontested election, May 2023

Members noted the details of upcoming training opportunities.

**2310/16 Royal Garden Party 2024**

The information from YLCA was noted.

**2310/17 Community Issues**

- a) Village Institute - report of Management Committee by Cllr Spaul:  
Overlaying existing floor; taking up carpet. 1<sup>st</sup> week of Nov.  
October Fest, end of October.
- b) West Bretton JI School - report of Governing Body – next meeting 17 October.  
Members noted West Bretton School won the cross-country cup at Horbury Academy today and congratulations to those involved were expressed.
- c) WMDC Councillors' reports  
D/Cllr Harvey now only 5 councillors. Budget meeting tomorrow. Mid-term financial strategy.

**2310/18 Solar Farm public consultation – Tuesday 10 October 2023 – Woolley Village Hall**

The details of the public consultation for the “Woolley Solar Farm” being held on Tuesday 10 October 2023, at Woolley Village Hall, between 2pm and 7 pm, was noted.

**2310/18 Planning Applications received/approved for the period:**

**PLANNING DECISIONS**

23/01829/TCA – 2 Bretton Lane. Fell 1 Dead Cherry Tree (5-day notice) – application approved

**VALIDATED PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**23/01739/FUL** – Land to front of 6 Bretton Lane, Bretton  
Erection of new dwelling (resubmission of 21/02652/FUL.  
Consultation deadline: 10/10/23

**23/01681/LBC** – YSP, Park Lane, Bretton  
Replacement of timber decking, installation of new drainage and associated repairs and redecoration to Cut Bridge at YSP  
Consultation deadline: 3/10/23

No comments to submit to the Planning authority.

**2310/19 Matters of an urgent nature (for information only)  
or items for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting (Monday 13 November)**

Meeting Closed at 9.15pm.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_