**WEST BRETTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Annual meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 13 May 2019

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

**Present** **In Attendance**

Cllr D Spaul (Chair) Clerk – Mrs S Earnshaw

Cllr M Hofton Members of the Public - 4

Cllr J Wriglesworth D/Cllr I Sanders

Cllr L Watson

Cllr C Smith

Cllr T Hodgson

**1905/01 ELECTION OF CHAIR**

It was proposed by Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Wriglesworth and **resolved** that Councillor D Spaul be elected as Chair of the Parish Council for the forthcoming municipal year. Councillor Spaul signed the Acceptance of Office, countersigned by the Proper Officer.

Councillor Spaul thanked Councillor Hodgson for his commitment during his year of office as Chair.

**1905/02 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

It was proposed by Councillor Spaul, seconded by Councillor Hodgson and **resolved** that Councillor L Watson be elected as Vice Chair of the Parish Council for the forthcoming municipal year. Councillor Watson signed the Acceptance of Office, countersigned by the Proper Officer.

**1905/03 PUBLIC ADMISSIONS TO MEETINGS ACT (1960)**

There were no items of a confidential nature that required the public or press to be excluded.

**1905/04 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All members present. Apologies were received from D/Cllr Binns and D/Cllr Harvey and these were noted.

**1905/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Declaration of Interest Register was presented to and completed by Members.

**1905/06 QUESTION TIME**

A resident commented that sculptures were being installed in close proximity to Grade 2 Listed buildings and questioned if the Yorkshire Sculpture Park was required to apply to Historic England before they were sited.

A resident expressed concern that dog fouling is becoming an issue in the village again and it was suggested that a request should be made to WMDC dog warden to put down stencils on the pavements in an attempt to encourage dog walkers to clean up after their animals.

A resident reported that on Friday 5 April there had been further damage to his wall at the junction of Bretton Lane/Huddersfield Road caused by a large HGV turning right out of Bretton Lane into Huddersfield Road.

**1905/07 POLICE MATTERS**

There were no further updates to those already circulated to members dated from March 2019 on the West Yorkshire Police website.

**1905/08 YORKSHIRE SCULPTURE PARK**

Members welcome Helen Featherstone, Deputy Director, to the meeting. She gave a brief update on current exhibitions and events.

**1905/09 BRETTON HALL**

The Clerk reported that she continued to try and arrange a suitable mutually convenient date for the presentation by Rushbond.

**1905/10 HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

Cllr Spaul reported that the signage previously reported as fallen down had now been removed. Members reviewed the Action Plan relating to highways issues, noting that

**1905/11 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING – 13 May 2019**

It was proposed by Councillor Sharp, seconded by Councillor Hofton and **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2019 be received and signed as a correct record.

**1904/10 MATTERS ARISING**

No update available from D/Cllr Sanders regarding dog fouling.

**1904/11 CLERK’S REPORT**

1. **Action Plan**

No further updates for this month.

**b) Correspondence**Wakefield Council Weekly planning lists

Wakefield Council Register of electors

Unity Bank Monthly statements

NALC Chief Executive’s Bulletin

YLCA White Rose update

YLCA Consultation on the new Code of Audit practice

YLCA Updated Guidance on Purdah

1. **Finance**

The Clerk presented the financial statement and presentation of accounts payable.

Cheque No. Amount Purpose

300399 £138.10 Clerk’s Salary and in lieu of office

300400 £201.00 YLCA Annual membership 2019/20

**1904/12 PLANNING MATTERS**

Validated – None received

Determined

19/00462/TCA 5 The Croft, Bretton

 Fell Sycamore in neighbouring property

Comments required by: -

**1904/13 COMMUNITY ISSUES**

**Village Institute**

Cllr Spaul reported on the Village Institute for the month:

* The Committee Room has been redecorated
* The Management Committee AGM is Tuesday 9 April; all residents are invited to attend
* New chairs have arrived; old ones have been disposed of. On behalf of the Parish Council, Cllr Sharp thanked those involved. The Parish Council was thanked for the grant provided for assistance.

**West Bretton JI School – Governing Body**

Cllr Spaul reported

* he had discussed minute 1902/13 regarding staggering school start and finish times at the last meeting on 26 March. However, he had been informed that due to staffing and resources this would not be possible.
* the front window recently replaced will be replaced with a window-opening.
* the current oil tank for heating is to be replaced with an underground gas tank.

Members expressed concern at the pollution being caused to the atmosphere for residents by cars being left idling whilst waiting for pupils at school pick-up time.

**Standing Orders were suspended at 7.30 pm to enable the Annual Parish meeting to take place and reinstated at 7.42 pm.**

**WMDC – District Councillors’ Report**

D/Cllr Harvey gave Cllr Sanders’ apologies a brief report which included information relating to the forthcoming Elections on 2 May. Wakefield Council have indicated that they will need to carry out the survey on the A637 Huddersfield Road with regarding to the reduction in the speed limit.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 13 May 2019.

This being the last meeting of Cllr Sharp, members thanked him for his years of service to the Parish Council and the residents of West Bretton.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

**Minutes approved by the Parish Council at the meeting held on**

**Monday 13 May 2019.**

**Signed: Chair...............................................................................**