

**MINUTES OF  
BOLTON PERCY, COLTON & STEETON PARISH COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING HELD IN TUESDAY  
16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.30PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Stewart Steele, David Robinson, Andrew Tucker, Martin Lister.  
County Cllr Richard Musgrave (attended part of the meeting).

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Kevin Robertson

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** Cllr Stewart Steele – Item C - Colton Pumping Station

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**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING after being circulated to all councillors were signed as correct by Cllr Steele, proposed Cllr Robinson, seconded Cllr Lister.**

**CLERKS REPORT – ACTION FROM LAST MEETING.**

- (a) **SELBY PLAN – REPORT FROM MICROSOFT TEAM MEETING – 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY.** Cllrs Steele, Tucker, Lister and Robertson logged on to this meeting. Cllr Tucker reported as follows: As parish councillors representing “smaller villages” of which Bolton Percy, Colton and Steeton are the most interest referred to Windfall developments and potential flooding impact. Interest concentrated on further planning development of the villages outside existing footprint and also flooding in Bolton Percy – 3 houses flooded in January. The concern is that by doing away with Development Limits for smaller villages (preferred approach SG4 – Development limits) and relaying on four criteria (Preferred Approach HG4) Windfall Developments – our future planning policy will be weaker than what is in place currently. There are a further 3 points which deal with this subject which will be published on the Parish Council Website.
- (b) **Defibrillator Colton Update.** Cllr Robinson has carried out a lot of investigation into getting electric supply into the telephone box. An alternative suggestion has been solar power. This is still under investigation. It is hoped by the next meeting Eon and Solar will have sent in their report and costings.
- (c) **Pumping Station Colton Update.** Cllr Robertson although not at the meeting sent the following. He contacted YW regarding having a key contact to keeping residents updated on the pumping station plans and progress updates, also raising the severe disruption the tractors/tankers were causing. He received a response and subsequent telephone conversation with a Customer Services Care Manager who has raised our concerns as night tankers should be lorry (road) tankers and not tractors. He has contacted the key contact given to ask for pumping station plan timescales and updates to share with residents on the Parish Council Website.
- (d) **Co-opt new councillor for Bolton Percy.** **Mike Nicholls** has put his name forward for this vacant position. All paperwork inviting him to accept this position will be passed to him via Clerk separately.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) **Local Government Re-organisation.** Councillors have received various details on this programme the latest was from Chairman of Selby District Council. After discussion it was decided to investigate further and wait for the report from the Local Government Minister as it seems Parish Councils will be consulted in the near future.
- (b) **Dispensation for Councillors.** Clerk looking getting dispensation so councillors would be able to discuss and vote on the SDC Plan. Still awaiting SLCC advice.

**C Concern with blocking of ditches.** Clerk has received an email from a landowner stating their concern about the temporary blocking of ditches during a flood situation. This was passed to the councillors as instructed because they seem to think this is illegal. Cllr Robinson contacted Drainage Board for their advice. The outcome was that so long as this action is on a temporary basis and is monitored it is not illegal. The suggestion was if fields and crops are not left under water for days, and no flooding of local roads takes place it is fine for this action to be carried out to stop houses flooding. Drainage Board suggested maybe a Penstock could be fitted in a safe place which then could be monitored. Further investigation is to take place and advice gained. The Flood Plan is also going to be updated and passed to EA, YW and local landowners.

(d) **Environment Agency.** Due to the recent problems in Pump Alley with the flooding of property and having to employ the Village Pump and two more from EA, it was suggested we contact the EA again to get advice on how we can go forward and if they can suggest an update. Cllr Nicolls requested the Parish Council leave this action for a while, as he is in conversation with Cllr Musgrave, Howard Ferguson and EA at the moment. Cllrs agree to this but it will be looked at the next meeting.

#### **PLANNING**

(a) **Hornington Manor, Bolton Percy. 2020/1274/FULM.** Erection of a general purpose agricultural building. Cllrs discussed this at length and although they had no objections to this building, concern was made due to the other buildings which had been constructed in the past then turned into venues for wedding/social activities.

#### **FINANCE**

(a) **Purchase of larger Fuel Tank.** This has been ordered, a Kingspan Fuel Cube 1200. There is a three week delivery.

#### **PARISHIONERS ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

A resident brought up his concern regarding the opening of the Network Rail compound with the number of large vehicles which will be bringing construction vehicles. The problem is if these vehicles are brought from the Tadcaster side, these vehicles have to reverse into the Main Street in Bolton Percy so they can turn safely down the Coal Road. Councillors were asked to contact Network Rail to request these come via the most appropriate route.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

THE NEXT ZOOM MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON  
TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021 AT 7.30PM