

BOLTON PERCY, COLTON & STEETON
PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH JUNE 2022
IN THE OLD SCHOOL, BOLTON PERCY AT 8.00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs Stewart Steele, David Robinson, Mike Nicholls

APOLOGIES: Cllr Andrew Tucker

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING having been circulated to all councillors were signed as correct by Cllr Steele, proposed Cllr Robinson seconded Cllr Nicholls

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC PRESENT: None

1. CLERKS REPORT ACTION FROM LAST MEETING

- (a) Overflying Aircraft. Nothing to report at this meeting as Stewart Rogerson was unavailable.
- (b) Yorkshire Water: This company have reported they intend carrying out some inspection work in the Pump Alley/Rampart region in the next few weeks. Yorkshire Water intend to completely clear the mains sewer that runs between Bolton Percy pump station and Tadcaster. This should reduce back pressure in the system and allow Bolton Percy pump station to operate more effectively. The intention is to line pipes and reduce surface water ingress throughout the system.
- (c) NYCC Update. Cllr Nicholls reported that he has a 'Teams' internet meeting with North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) on 14th June to confirm arrangements regarding the 6" pump they intend to provide for use in Bolton Percy. This pump will be in addition to the existing pump. In previous years the environment agency have provided addition pumps as required. The new pump will be based permanently on site for immediate use. All fuel for the existing pump has been purchased by the Parish Council (PC) and has been re-imbursed by Selby District Council (SDC). All fuel for the environment agency pumps has been provided by the environment agency. When SDC cease to exist in April 2023 the re-imburement of fuel cost will stop because NYCC have decided not to continue this arrangement. All fuel costs for the new pump, together with insurance and maintenance charges, also become the responsibility of the PC. Previously during periods of potential flooding the PC have spent in the region of £1500.0 on fuel. Fuel costs have risen considerably and this cost will obviously increase and with the addition of a second pump will increase significantly. The PC need to look closely at historic costs and the potential future expenditure and unfortunately will have to raise the parish precept significantly (by at least £3000.00) next year if allowed. The PC will also have to take a close look at insurance, servicing contract and storage. When we have a clear picture as to what NYCC and the insurers require appropriate arrangements will be made.
- (d) Dog Bins Colton. Cllr Steele has spoken to residents of Colton to find a suitable location for the two dog bins which have been requested. Suggestions are near the entrance to the new Pumping Station and the other on the 30 mph sign at the other end of the village.
- (e) Clerk has been requested to obtain at least two quotes for carrying out the work of cleaning out the beck and cutting back the under growth in the centre of Bolton Percy in the Autumn although the responsibility for payment lies with owners of the adjoining properties.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Councillor Vacancies for Colton & Steeton. Kevin Robertson has agreed to represent Colton again and he was co-opted on to the Council. Steeton still has no representation and approaches to residents have been made by Councillor Steele but no one has currently come forward. Anyone interested please contact the Clerk or Chairman by email. In the meantime Cllr Steele and Cllr Robertson have agreed to be available for any residents of Steeton if they have any queries.

3. The PA system purchase since the last meeting was used at the Jubilee celebration and is now available to be used at events in the community and churches. It was agreed to purchase a second rechargeable battery pack to further enhance possible applications.

4. PLANNING

(a) Low Farm Close – 2022/0363/HPA - Demolition of existing conservatory and the erection of a sun room on the same foot print. GRANTED

(b) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA

Springfield House, Colton - 2022/0418/HPA – Extension to existing 2 storey detached garage.
REFUSED

5. FINANCE

(a) Grass Cutting Invoice - £144.00

(b) Storage Bags for PA System Unit - £67.00

(c) PA System for Jubilee and other village events - £770.97

(d) Zurich Insurance Parish Council Insurance - £379.00

ALL THE ABOVE PAYMENTS WERE AGREED.

e) Littlejohns Auditors for PC Accounts. This paperwork was signed off by the Chairman and Clerk (Financial Officer) and minuted.

The Parish Council would also like to thank Derek King for carrying out the Internal Audit of the accounts and will give a donation to 'Martin House Hospice' at his request. The councillors would like to add a further 'Thank You' to him for all the work he has done voluntarily for the Parish Council over the years as (unfortunately for the Parish Council) he has decided this will be his last year of doing this work. Many thanks Derek.

6. PARISHIONERS ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - None

AT THIS POINT ALL THE COUNCILLORS WOULD LIKE TO THANK JIM REID AND ALL HIS COMMITTEE FOR ORGANISING SUCH A WONDERFUL FEW DAYS TO COMMORATE THE 70TH QUEENS PLATIUM ANNIVERSARY.

The Meeting Closed at 9.15pm

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY 5TH JULY 2022 IN THE OLD SCHOOL AT 8.00PM

