

Scrayingham Parish Council

Minutes of the Scrayingham Parish Council Annual Meeting Held on Monday 11 May 2015 At 6.30pm Scrayingham Church

Attendees:

Ms J Devos
Mrs S Elsey
Ms S Flowers (Parish Clerk)
Mr P Jones (Chairman)
Mrs C Stone
Mr M Stone

Apologies:

Mrs L Scott

1. Election of Chairman

It was proposed and seconded that P Jones should be re-elected as Chair of Scrayingham Parish Council

Proposed: J Devos

Seconded: C Stone

2. Minutes of the Meeting Held 20 April 2015 and Matters Arising

Subject to amendment that L Scott had sent her apologies to the meeting, it was agreed these were a true and correct record of the meeting held 20 April 2015.

Matters Arising

Dog Fouling – The Clerk reported she had received the link regarding the Green Dog Walking scheme and had forwarded this to Brian Dunn/Dog Warden, RDC but had received no response. After discussion it was agreed S Flowers should contact B Dunn again to ask if signs regarding dog fouling could be placed at either end of the village and also enquire about alternative schemes.

SF

3.. Financial Report, Audit & on-going Budget

The previously circulated bank reconciliation to 31 March 2015 was considered. This advised an opening balance of £6,458.83 and a closing balance of £6,844.83. £1,400 has been received as Precept payments and outgoings for the year totalled £1,014.

The previously circulated Annual Return for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2015 was considered.

It was proposed that the accounting statement presented fairly the financial position of the Council and its income and expenditure, or properly present receipts and payments and as such should be signed by the Clerk and the Chairman. It was also proposed that the Annual Governance Statement 2014/15 should be approved confirming that Scrayingham Parish Council has a sound system of internal control.

Proposed: J Devos

Seconded: S Elsey

It was proposed the following cheques should be issued:

150 – PCC St Peter & St Paul, Scrayingham – hire of Church £12

Proposed: P Jones

Seconded: S Elsey

The Asset Register is to be completed and circulated shortly. It was confirmed that risk assessments of assets are undertaken on a regular basis.

P Jones advised that York Teaching Hospital NHS Trust have now indicated they should be able to provide audit service to Scrayingham Parish Council this year, although formal confirmation of this is still awaited. It is considered good practice to change auditors on a regular basis.

In view of his hard work on behalf of Scrayingham Parish Council, it was agreed a thank you gift up to a total of £25/30 should be purchased for Mr T Denness.

PJ

4. Banking & Clerk's Salary

P Jones has now spoken with Barclays Bank, and they suggest that the easiest way for the Parish Council to pay the Clerk and other invoices is by using Internet Banking. Security procedures will still be in place, with a Card and a PIN device being provided. The first person selects the payee and the system then waits for a second signatory log in to add a second authorisation. The Clerk will also be able to report using the on-line statement download facility.

After discussion it was agreed that this should be taken forward.

5. Planning Matters

Nothing to report.

6. Scrayingham Church Hall

It was reported that Mr Milner has agreed that 2m of land to the rear of the hall will be included in the sale.

7. Drainage in Scrayingham

Nothing further has been heard from Yorkshire Water. A further chaser email has been sent to Jonathan Piatka, and if nothing is heard, a letter will be sent to Richard Flint.

8. Broadband Proposals

It was agreed that M Stone should contact RDC and East Riding District Council to ascertain the present position with regard to establishing superfast broadband within the villages. P Jones is to write to both David Cameron and to Kevin Holinrake (the newly elected MP for Ryedale) to push the situation.

MS/PJ

9. Footpaths & Bridleways

M Stone indicated he was aware that meetings had been held with regard to hogweed along the river but the present position remains unchanged.

10. Any Other Business

None.

Date of Next Meeting – Monday 6 July 2015 at 7.30pm in Scrayingham Church