

Minutes of the Marske & New Forest Parish Council

Meeting held at Scriddlehurst, Skelton Lane, Marske on 2nd November 2017 at 7.00pm.

Present – Parish Councillors – Mr Eric Jarvis (E J)
Mr Raymond Ridley (R R)
Mr Martin Wallis (M W)

District Councillor – Mr Ian Scott (I S)

Parish Clerk Mr Peter Coates (P C)

Together with various members of the Public

Cllr Jarvis opened the meeting. He welcomed all to the meeting.

1. **Apologies received** - Parish Councillor Mr Nigel Phillips

1. **Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd August 2017**

The minutes were read out. No amendments were received.

Cllr Wallis proposed and Cllr Ridley seconded that the minutes were a true and correct record. Cllr Jarvis signed the minutes.

2. **Matters arising** – Dist Councillor Scott provided an overview of the new ward arrangements.
3. **Parish Councillor vacancy** – No applications received. Discussions with regard to co-opting a resident onto the Parish Council.
4. **Parish Clerk vacancy** – PC will continue until a replacement is found. Discussions with regard to the salary – PC does not take a salary. E J indicated it would be in the region of £300/annum. P C will obtain a guide on the hourly rate from YLCA.

5. **Highways**

- E J, P C and Oliver Leatham attended the Richmondshire area committee meeting on 30/08/17 where the Green Lane from Skelton to Helwith was discussed. We await further information from Highways.
- Doug Cartwright (Vice Chair, Teeside & North Yorks, Trail Riders Fellowship and Vice Chair, North Yorks County Council, Local access forum.) had e mailed County Councillor John Blackie about the Green Lane and he had replied. PC provided the meeting with an overview.
- E J advised the meeting that the repairs to Downholme Bridge and Cordilleras Road were now complete. P C will thank the Highways for the good work.
- E J advised that the gates and cattle grids on Cordilleras road continue to be a hazard. P C will raise with Highways.

6. Broadband update provided by EJ

- New Fibre cabinet in the village is now connected to Reeth Rural Net with improvements to all concerned.
- New EE mast should be turned on in the next month.
- O2 mast now has a fibre connection to it.

7. Planning Applications

- None

8. Purchase of Laptop , Scanner

- After discussion it was decided to proceed with purchase of a Laptop and Scanner. PC will organise.

9. Website Development

- PC advised that the website is nearly complete. Training may be required.
- PC advised our new e mail address is now being used.

10. Correspondence

- Electoral Review of Richmondshire District Council: Draft recommendations are available at www.lgbce.org.uk
- PC has received correspondence – Parish Precept – 2018/19. PC advised that due to high reserves that we should take a precept this year. After discussion E J proposed a zero precept for the 2018/19 financial year and review in 2018. M W seconded the proposal.
- Discussion on the use of the high reserves for community based projects including verge cutting, seat in mArske, flower tubs, tree in centre and repairs to the car park retaining wall. PC will write to Highways with regard to grass cutting.
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11. Any other Business

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12. The next meeting will be held on the 1st February 2018 at 7.00pm

N P thanked Mrs M Tillotson for making her house available for the meeting.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 8.10pm.

.....Chairman

..... Clerk

Date.....

