

STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Stainforth Parish Council Meeting held in St Peters Church, Stainforth on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.00pm. Page 1

Present – A. Horsfall (Chairman), S. Warren, I. Black, A. Sharp, C. Smith, D. Staveley (North Yorkshire Council), A. Blackburn (Clerk), no public present.

116/23. Apologies for Absence – all present.

117/23. Code of Conduct – Localism Act 2011

To record any councillor's dis-closable pecuniary interests in regard to any item on this agenda. To consider any changes in members' register of interests and to consider any associated dispensations – none declared.

118/23. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 9th January 2024.

Council resolved to approve the minutes.

119/23. Matters Arising & Actions.

Ref: 110/23 – The clerk had liaised with the church warden in regard to facilitating PC meetings in the church whilst maintenance works were being carried out on the village hall. The church had been provisionally booked for the meeting in March but council consensus was not to hold a meeting unless it proved necessary.

Action – Clerk to liaise with the church warden.

120/23. Public Participation.

The clerk highlighted the proposed phone mast at Sherwood Brow which had been granted planning permission as it does not seem to be progressing to installation.

Council believe that negotiations between the telecommunications company and the land owner where continuing. The chairman would enquire for further information.

121/23. North Yorkshire Councillor Report.

The chairman deferred this item.

122/23. Council Projects for 2024-25. (Council to consider any suggestions)

Grant donation projects.

Council discussed future projects including: Christmas tree & lighting, replacement bench seating & improved bases, the planting of flowers around the village.

The item was deferred by council until the April meeting.

123/23. Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning Applications. No new applications posted

124/23. Financial Statements & Invoices for Payment.

Council resolved to approve the financial statement including invoices for February.

Action – Clerk to process payments.

125/23. Correspondence.

Police Report

05/01/2024 – Suspect circumstances – poachers from Dawson Close to Dale Head – stopped and checked with permission granted.

06/01/2024 – Abandoned call.

02/02/2024 – Crime violence.

HSBC banking charge for January £8

Thank you emails received from Skipton Citizens Advice regarding council donation.

Thank email received from RBL Poppy Appeal regarding council donation.

126/23. Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance.

Approximately four potholes were reported around either side of the road junction between Main Road and the B6479. **Action** – Clerk to liaise with NYC Highways for repair.

Cllr Smith reported that the street lamp adjacent to Riston House seemed to be on all through the night. **Action** – Clerk to inform the contractor for repair.

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121/23. North Yorkshire Councillor Report. The chairman moved to this item. Cllr Staveley had circulated his report and the clerk had posted it on the website. A 4.99% increase to the council precept had been approved by NY Council which would be implemented in April. There was increased financial pressure in regard to adult social care and children's services which has meant that some council's had faced serious financial problems including bankruptcy. NY Council has managed to absorb much of the negative burden resulting from amalgamating various district councils but still faces challenges as a result of inheriting some buildings and services. The locality grants were to continue in the short term with councillors being able to help projects financially within their area. The mayoral elections will be taking place in May and this position will attract additional funding to NY council of £85 million.

127/23. The Date of the Next Parish Council Meeting – Provisionally Tuesday 12th March 2024.

Meeting closed 7.56 pm

Chairman

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