

**SKEEBY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING HELD IN SKEEBY JUBILEE VILLAGE HALL**  
**at 7.30m, THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020**

**PRESENT:-** Cllrs Budden, Richardson, Rummery, Dixon and Moreton and Dist Cllr Heslop, together with five members of the public (Mr T Brookes, Mrs B Church, Mr D England, Mr D Coates and Mr R Haswell)

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Thompson

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. MINUTES**

It was proposed by Cllr Rummery, seconded by Cllr Dixon and carried unanimously that the Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were accurate and were signed as a correct record.

**4. MATTERS ARISING**

a) **SJVH Access** - The difficulties regarding access to the Hall had been resolved and the Committee had been provided with the proposed dates for Parish Council meetings during 2020.

b) **Travellers Rest** - Cllr Heslop reported that meetings had been taking place within RDC regarding the possibility of a CPO and further meetings were anticipated in the coming weeks with a view to going public with the intention of offering shareholding pledges in the region of £150/175K and a public meeting would be held in SJVH at which the residents would be able to air their views. RDC was insistent that a broader base for the Community Pub Group had to be established and Cllr Heslop said he was committed to not allowing the site to remain empty for a further ten years. A query was raised regarding the possible demolition of the existing building should this become an option, but Cllr Heslop said that would be a matter for the Planning Officers, as he was aware that the building was within a conservation area. The purchase price would be determined through a formal legal process and there would be a right of appeal from both parties. Pledges would be accepted from anyone, but there would be a restriction on the number of shares which could be purchased by an individual with a caveat that they could not be redeemed before an agreed expiry date. If the pub was bought with a view to it continuing as a Community Asset, if this venture failed it could not be sold with a view to turning it into a private home and would have to be sold as a public house. Cllr Heslop would advise SPC regarding the public meeting and the Clerk would liaise with SJVH Committee regarding availability. Cllr Heslop was thanked for his report.

**ACTION: Clerk**

c) **Community Park - Springfield** - Cllr Moreton provided a document regarding play policy (filed with these Minutes) based on the Charter for Children's Play which stated that the removal of all risks regarding play was neither practical nor desirable as it was felt that children need to learn to manage risk. SPC was seeking to balance the benefits against risk and to maintain the play areas to minimise risk, but found itself at odds with RDC Park Safety Inspector, who seemed determined to remove every risk (ie removal of hawthorn and rose bushes as they contained thorns on which children could hurt themselves and also remove the possibility of someone suddenly appearing from behind the bushes which could frighten the users of the park). Councillors agreed to study the document in order to discuss its contents at the next meeting. Cllr Moreton was thanked for his work.

**ACTION: All Cllrs**

d) **Streetlights** - All the lights had been converted to LED

e) **Leak on A6108** - This appeared to have been resolved but the situation would continued to be monitored.

f) **40 Richmond Road - Satellite Dish** - The satellite dish had been moved to a more appropriate location.

g) **Val Hepworth Award** - The Clerk had received a telephone call from Mrs Hepworth thanking SPC for its kind letter. Mrs Hepworth had already received her Award from the Lord Lieutenant and was looking forward to attending Garden Party at Buckingham Palace later in

the year.

h) **31 Springfield** - Final approval for the amended plans had not yet been received and Mrs Church, the owner of the property stated that she thought that SPC had been unnecessarily harsh with their objections to the proposed extension and more leniency should be shown to new residents, but it is noted that RDC objected to the size of the extension which was outside the building line and Highways had objected to the lack of visibility on the corner, which had been the basis of objections by SPC.

i) **Lambing Shed - Scurragh Lane** - Approval had been given to the request that the on site temporary accommodation be granted as it considered that the application was for animal welfare purposes. The current application is still outstanding.

j) **Rumble Strips - West end of village** - The Clerk would pursue this request. It was also suggested that following the spate of accidents, a request to move the 30mph sign further west would be submitted. Contact would also be made with the HRSP to see if any help would be forthcoming with this matter.

**ACTION: Clerk**

k) **Fundraising - defib** - Ms Kay Richardson had requested SPC consider fundraising towards the upkeep of the defib and had offered to organise the Annual Duck Race and another event later in the year for this purpose. It was agreed that the Annual Duck Race would take place on **\*Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> May** and Mr England was asked to ensure that the village hall was booked for refreshment and other activities following the duck race. Cllr Dixon agreed to run the raffle and any contributions toward this would be welcome. It was also agreed that a Coffee Morning would be held in September, the actual date to be confirmed. The Cllrs would consider other activities at the next meeting. The Clerk would confirm dates with Ms Richardson.

**\*NB - Please note that this date has changed from that agreed at the meeting**

**ACTION, Cllr Dixon, Ms K Richardson and Clerk**

## 5. VILLAGE GREENS

a) **Tarmac at the Croft** - The Clerk had received an email from Mr Linfoot to say that this work would be carried out in the near future. (*Since the meeting, the work has been carried out to the satisfaction of two Councillors*).

b) **Gates at Tenby House** - A retrospective planning application was understood to have been submitted for the change from wooden gates to the metal gates which had been installed in this property within the conservation area.

c) **Posts outside cottages** - These had been repainted and Cllr Rummery was thanked.

d) **Beck clearance** - This had been carried out but had been accompanied with the suggestion that SPC could keep the beck clear, to which the Clerk had responded to say that this was already in hand on a regular basis.

e) **Parking outside the Manor House** - It was noted that vehicles were again being parked on the grass outside the Manor House and the Clerk would contact the tenant of the rented cottage to ask that the vehicles were parked elsewhere.

**ACTION: Clerk**

## 6. RIGHTS OF WAY

There was nothing to report

## 7. FINANCE

a) **Report** – This was accepted.

b) **Cheques** - Cheques were signed for NYCC (Grass cutting) and SJVH hire.

c) **GNAAS** - An acknowledgment had been received for the donation from SPC

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

a) **PC Wood - (2)** - These reports were accepted. Cllr Budden asked if Cllr Richardson had been contacted regarding Border Watch, which he had not and the Clerk would contact PC Woods again.

**ACTION: Clerk**

b) **RDC - Communication between Town and Parish Councils and RDC** - This document was received.

c) **White Rose Update (2)** -- These documents were received

d) **RDC Local Plan Review** - This document was received

e) **New YCLA website** - This document was received and no additional copies were needed.

documents received as the Clerk circulated everything received

- h) **Journals** - The Clerk -  
**Tabled** - White Rose update

### 13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) **D & S Times** – This report would be submitted at a later date.

**ACTION: Cllr Budden and Clerk**

b) **Urgent Care Facilities** - Cllr Heslop would be interested in hearing any comments regarding the practicalities of urgent care available in the area, good or bad. Any input on how effective health care facilities were out of hours, when to contact the 111 NHS number as opposed to dialling 999 for emergency care and how easy it was to get treatment at DMH, NFH or JCUH would be especially welcome.

c) **Accidents at western end of village** - Mrs Church was concerned regarding public safety following three accidents in quick succession and suggested that flashing signs should be installed. She was advised that speeding and accidents within the village was an on-going concern with SPC, flashing matrix signs were expensive and beyond the budget of the Parish Council, but work on this with Cllr Thompson was ongoing. It was pointed out that no amount of signage or preventative measures could prevent accidents where alcohol was suspected to be involved.

**ACTION: Clerk**

d) **Dog Waste Bins** - Mrs Church raised a query on the location and number of dog waste bins throughout the village and was advised that the site of the bins was decided by RDC as they had to be accessible for collection by RDC refuse crews.

### 14. DATE AND VENUE

The ordinary meeting will be held in Skeeby Jubilee Village Hall at **7.00pm** on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020** and will be followed at **8.00 pm** by the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9 10 pm