

**SKEEBY PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING HELD IN SKEEBY JUBILEE VILLAGE HALL  
at 7.30m, THURSDAY 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2019**

**PRESENT:** - Cllrs Budden, Metcalfe, Richardson and Rummery together with two members of the public (Mr and Mrs H Nolson)

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr Dixon and Co Cllr Thompson

**1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

**2. MINUTES**

It was proposed by Metcalfe, seconded by Cllr Richardson and carried unanimously that the Minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018 were accurate and were signed as a correct record, *with a minor correction re Chr Collins.* S. Budden

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

a) **Defibrillator** - Ms Kay Richardson (KGR) was invited to give a brief presentation on her continuing research into the purchase of a defibrillator. It had been decided not to continue with the pursuit of a grant from RDC as it was felt that it might be difficult to raise the necessary matching funds within a very short space of time and KGR had started to complete an application for Lottery Funding instead. As the form was only available on line, it was proving more complicated to complete, but it was agreed that once all the necessary data was compiled, then the Councillors would be able to check the form on-line prior to submission. The Clerk would complete the financial section and KGR would scan the accompanying documents. The name of the Chairman would be used as contact. Following the refusal of the Church authorities to site the defib on the wall of St Agatha's Church, it was agreed that the most suitable site would be the west wall of the Village Hall and KGR would obtain written agreement from the Hall Committee to drill into the wall and the possibility of sharing electric meter facilities. If it was felt that a site meeting was necessary, then Cllr Metcalfe would represent SPC. A photo of the site needed to be sent to the Community Heartbeat Trust and it was confirmed that no telephone line was necessary as KGR had managed to source a defib which used a SIM card. KGR reported that there were several levels of training available, depending on how involved volunteers wanted to be and these could be held in the village hall.

**ACTION: Ms K Richardson and the Clerk**

b) **Travellers Rest** - No further information was available.

c) **Community Park** -

**Ball games** - After discussion, it was agreed that SPC would reinstate the RDC ruling regarding the 'no ball games' policy, following concerns raised about football being played in Springfield park. Damage to surrounding properties, damage to the play equipment and grass, as well as problems caused by ball games affecting the use of the park by other participants were discussed. The motion was taken to a vote with three Councillors in favour (Cllrs Budden, Rummery and Richardson) with Cllr Metcalfe opposing the restriction. The Clerk was asked to order two signs from Eyecatching Signs.

**ACTION: Clerk**

**Hedges** - Cllr Metcalfe showed the Council an email which he had received from David Lodge (RDC) regarding the pruning of hedges within the park, advising that overhanging growth be cut back to 2.5m and that pointed growth (eg thorns) be removed from site. Pruning should ensure a clear view of the play area be maintained. It was pointed out that this email was advisory and not mandatory and that common sense should prevail.

d) **Lambing Shed - Scurraqh Lane** - Full planning permission approval had been received with restriction on the caravan permitted between February and May annually.

e) **PFK Littlejohn** - Ian Crisop had completed the forms on behalf of SPC and the Clerk would forward them to the external auditor.

**ACTION: Clerk**

f) **Notice Board - Springfield** - The Clerk had ordered the notice board but Cllr Metcalf said that he felt the matter should have been brought before the full council prior to the order being placed. The Clerk reminded Cllr Metcalf that she had circulated an email in early December, explaining why she had contacted RDC and the additional costs which would be incurred, as a recognised RDC contractor had to be used. No objections had been received and so the Clerk had gone ahead and placed the order. The notice board had been received and would be erected as soon as possible. Cllr Thompson had advised the Clerk that the grant should be transferred in the near future.

g) **Black bags** - These had been removed following a letter to RDC.

h) **Awards for All** - The outstanding documents had been received.

#### 5. VILLAGE GREENS

a) **Moles** - Although RDC offered a mole removal service, there appeared to be no current problem. However should moles reappear then the eradication service would be contacted.

b) **Tree at entrance to Hall Farm** - No further communication had been received.

#### 6. RIGHTS OF WAY

There were no problems to report.

#### 7. FINANCE

a) **Report** - This was accepted.

b) **Precept** - RDC had acknowledged receipt of the precept request.

c) **GNAAS donation** - This had been acknowledged

#### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

a) **Parish Council dates** - Skeeby Jubilee Hall Committee had been advised of the dates which were required by the Parish Council for meetings in 2019.

b) **YLCA** - Evening opening dates were confirmed

c) **NALC - Salary Awards** - This document was received and would be discussed separately by Councillors

**ACTION:- Councillors**

d) **RDC Tax Base Calculations** - This document was received

e) **PC Woods Reports - October/November** - These documents were received.

f) **Gas Installation - 40 Richmond Road** - The documents giving permission for Northern Gas Networks to cross the village green had been approved, signed and returned to the owner.

g) **46a Richmond Road** - The owners of this property had written to SPC stating that they wished to have gas installed in their property and the Clerk had requested that they provide documents to be approved by SPC before work commenced.

j) **Journals** - Clerk, Clerk and Councils Direct

k) **Tabled:-**

PC Woods Report - December

Full Planning Application - 42 Richmond Road

#### 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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

**ACTION: Cllr Budden and Clerk**

b) **Lights - Richmond Road** - It was reported that several street lights were not functioning (3, 4, 12 + one other) and the Clerk would report their malfunction.

**ACTION: Clerk**

#### 10. DATE AND VENUE

The next **ordinary** meeting will take place in Skeeby Jubilee Village Hall at **7.00pm** on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019** and would be followed by the **Annual Parish Meeting**.

There being no further business. the meeting closed at 9.10 pm

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