

WILBERFOSS PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Sarah Wills 2 Paddock Close Wilberfoss YORK YO41 5LX

01759 380123/07762 549292

clerk@wilberfossparish.org.uk

www.wilberfossparish.org.uk

MINUTES

17th June 2021

Present: Chair Judy Abernethy, Vice Chair David Smith and Councillors Richard Rains, Steve Abernethy, Lynda Hoyle, Claire Norman, David Barnett and Michelle Wallis together with Ward Councillor Kay West and two members of the public.

The 15 minute question time was used to welcome two members of the public who joined the conversation later in the meeting To talk about the East Riding Draft Local Plan.

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Johnson.
2. There were no declarations of interest made by any Councillor present.
3. The Minutes of the Meetings of 20th May 2021 were signed as a true record.
4. **Planning Matters**
 - 4.1 A lengthy discussion took place regarding the proposed amended East Riding Draft Local Plan where overall East Riding of Yorkshire Council must provide for an additional 20,900 dwellings between now and the year 2039 and where Wilberfoss has been allocated a site that would accommodate 50 homes. It was acknowledged that this would be in addition to the 25 properties on the site of Claas Swards and 8 properties by way of an extension of Stonebridge Drive, both of which are in the current Local Plan. The Clerk advised that she had provided links under the *News in Brief* section on the village website (www.wilberfossparish.org.uk) to the information disseminated by East Riding of Yorkshire Council. She will further inform residents through the monthly Newsletter, encouraging those minded to object to do so independently of others.

It was acknowledged that access to the A1079, drainage and other village infrastructure, school capacity and limited amenities are all reasons to push back on the proposed development.

Ward Councillor West encouraged objection to the proposal but also acknowledged that the west of the county is more favourable to property and construction companies, which is the likely reason that Wilberfoss has been chosen as a suitable location. A formal response from Wilberfoss Parish Council will be submitted following July's Parish Council meeting. Two members of the public subsequently left the meeting.
 - 4.2 Councillors were notified that Planning Application 21/0142 | 14 Stonebridge Drive, Wilberfoss had been granted planning permission.
 - 4.3 Councillors Barnett, Norman and Hoyle agreed to attend the forthcoming Annual Town and Parish Council Planning Meeting where, among other things, the East Riding Local Plan and material planning considerations will be discussed.
5. Ward Cllr Kay West spoke about the forthcoming devolution and the opportunity to vote on the issue and for a Mayor. The Chair asked for any update on receipt of the funding through the Quarry Community Fund and the Clerk agreed to chase East Riding of Yorkshire Council representative, David Farnsworth. Cllr Smith enquired whether the Parish Council or East Riding of Yorkshire Council was able to put pressure on the landowner on Cherry Hill to secure the land in order to prevent fly-tipping. It was acknowledged that neither Council would have any jurisdiction over privately owned land.
6. The Clerk advised that there had been no urgent decisions taken since the last meeting.
7. **Progress Reports and to address any issues outstanding from previous meetings**
 - 7.1 The Chair proposed that remedial works be carried out to the village War Memorial. The Clerk reminded Councillors of the information she had circulated where the War Memorial Trust has described Wilberfoss War Memorial as in poor condition and wondered whether it may be more beneficial to submit an application for funding, rather than to carry

Action

out remedial works that would improve the condition of the War Memorial. It was agreed that the Clerk would complete a pre-application to the War Memorial Trust in the first instance.

- 7.2 A lengthy discussion took place regarding the provision of benches and the Clerk advised that she had made some enquiries of East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Wilberfoss & Thornton Level Drainage Board and residents who had expressed an interest in memorial benches. Four sites were identified and will be subject to consultation with neighbouring property owners. The first is on the open space linking Park Lane to Storking Lane where it is understood some residents are positively in favour of a bench. This bench may become a memorial bench. The second is at the bottom of Middle Street facing Wilberfoss Beck, where a resident of Middle Street would like to site his own bench in memory of his late wife. The third is a yet unknown location on Becksides facing St John the Baptist Church and the fourth is on Footpath 6, once land ownership has been established.
- 7.3 A further deadline for the clearance of 27 Millfield Close has been set for the 29th June. Cllr Wallis agreed to monitor and follow up with East Riding of Yorkshire Council if necessary.
- 7.4 The Clerk advised that she had received verbal confirmation from Yorkshire Water that the water leak on Storking Lane has been remedied. Furthermore, the leak on Main Street has also been repaired. Mud and debris left on Main Street will be cleared by East Riding of Yorkshire Council Streetscene.
- 7.5 The Clerk had circulated an update on the provision of FTTP (Full Fibre to the Property). Subject to receiving 130% of the cost of the project, BT will install FTTP but it is subject to property owners committing to doubling their broadband speed or at least signing up to 100MB per second. It was acknowledged that this is a big ask of the community and it was agreed that whilst the Parish Council is in support of the scheme to bring FTTP to Wilberfoss, this project must be community led. It was further acknowledged that if a short term project was not successful, BT has earmarked Wilberfoss for FTTP within the next 5 years.
- 7.6 The Clerk advised that she was still trying to iron out the requirements of the Digital Champion project but that updates will be provided through the Newsletter.
8. **Environment & Community matters (to include Highways and Footways, Health, Education, Transport, Policing, Street lighting and Community Groups).**
- 8.1 As the Parish Council's representative, Cllr Norman provided an update from Wilberfoss Playing Fields Association. She confirmed that the equipment for disabled users is due to be fitted on the 9th August. The PFA has been approached by the National Volleyball Association to build two beach volleyball courts. A suitable site behind the equipment shed has been identified. This could bring national tournaments to Wilberfoss. Consideration would need to be given to available car parking if events clashed with current users. A new tractor has been purchased and the smoking shelter is due to be installed. Further funding opportunities include the potential of a multi surface sports facility on the play area. A beer festival is due to take place over August Bank Holiday weekend.
- 8.2 A discussion took place regarding the East Riding's Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP). Cllr Barnett asked that the Parish Council put forward a request to reinstate the late night nightly bus service. In addition, a request was made to simply retain the existing services and for the East Riding of Yorkshire Council to consider installing bus shelters at the bottom of Cherry Hill and on Main Street (opposite Willow Park Road) which is open to the elements.
- 8.3 The Clerk shared information about the Do it For East Yorkshire grant funding pot, which has been set up to encourage residents back out into the community. She further advised that the Community Centre Management Committee is submitting a bid to put on a Fawlty Towers themed evening of entertainment in the Community Centre. The Chair advised that she had shared the information with the Playing Fields Association and a question was raised about whether the funding could be used to mark the celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022.
- 8.4 Following public consultation and a subsequent failed attempt to get a salt bin provided by East Riding of Yorkshire Council, it was agreed to purchase one for the corner of Willow Park Road and Wold View Road where high hedges and lower winter sun was preventing frost and snow from defrosting in winter months.
9. **Councillors Reports for future Agendas**
- 9.1 Cllr Barnett asked that the Council next month's Agenda include a discussion about the idling of vehicle engines.
10. **Administration Matters**
- 10.1 There was nothing to report.
11. **Finance** (In accordance with The Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, Part 4(19) members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting before details of employees' salaries are revealed but will be

permitted to stay for all other payment details. Copies of the Parish Council Minutes are displayed on the two Parish Council village notice boards on Main Street and Willow Park Road or at www.wilberfossparish.org.uk.)

11.1 The Clerk/RFO sought payment for the following transactions and Cllrs Smith and Abernethy agreed to sign off the payments.

Clerk's telephone and broadband expenses	£185.30
Clerk's expenses (internal auditor gift)	£26.95
Staff salaries	£674.64
Post Haste (Newsletter production)	£285.00
Wilberfoss Community Centre (Hire Charge)	£25.00
James Horsley Limited (grounds maintenance)	£521.26
Holy Moley (mole eradication)	£60.00
Clerk's office expenses (A4 copy paper)	£17.03

11.2 The Clerk confirmed that the £331.50 from Envirofriendly Recycling has been credited to the Parish Council's account, taking the ring-fenced 'Recycle Credits' to 767.00.

Meeting closed 21.27

..... Chairman Clerk