

**MINUTES OF KIRKBY-IN-CLEVELAND PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING ON 22nd January 2024**

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Attendees: County Cllr B Griffiths, Cllrs M Frew, T Seymour, M Weighell, A Scott, J Passman and clerk Mrs L Smith

1. The Chairman reminded the Council that there was a possibility for the audio recording of the meeting – none were made

2. Apologies of absence – North Yorkshire Police.

3. No declarations of interest were made.

4. The minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2023 declared as a true and correct record and signed accordingly by Cllr Frew.

5 Ongoing issues and the decisions made

5.1 The police report – A report was received from NY Police stating that there had been no crimes reported. However, the PC was informed that a Quad bike was stolen from Dromonby Bridge Farm. Another incident was reported by a resident of cold calling at approx 8pm. It was discovered to be a genuine call (Guide Dogs For the Blind). The PC feel that new residents should be made aware that Kirkby is a no cold calling area. There is a Police Drop-In meeting at the Globe in Stokesley- Cllr Passman is to attend and give feedback at the next meeting.

5.2 Christmas Tree - The PC agreed that the tree looked stunning and thanked Cllr Seymour for its donation and installation and confirmed that a new string of 1000 LED lights should be purchased for Christmas 2024. The clerk is to email Mr Sollars to ascertain if recompense for the electricity is required.

5.3 Festive Get-Together- the event went very well, and it was decided that seating would be provided in the future. **RESOLVED**

5.4 Tree Pruning – Cllr Passman is to request S.Johnson inspect the tree on the Green, near the kiosk and advise if it needs any work to be undertaken.

5.5 New Slow Down signs – The PC thanked Cllr Scott for the donation and Cllr Passman for the installation. **RESOLVED**

5.6 Interpretation Board – the History Society is looking into this matter.

County Cllr Griffiths advised that the Locality Budget may be reduced for 2024/25. Cllr. Griffiths advised contacting the Stokesley Town Council Clerk to find out possible funding sources as they had gone through this process for the recently installed boards around Stokesley

5.7 Code of Conduct/Standing Orders – Clerk to attempt scanning Code of Conduct. Copy of Standing Orders issued to all Cllrs for their information.

Clerk awaiting confirmation that document can be put on website.

5.8 Biodiversity Duty Policy – adopted - **RESOLVED**

5.9 North Yorks and York Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) – the PC is not at this level so no further action as Biodiversity Duty policy adopted

6.0 Planning applications - none

7.0 Planning decisions

7.1 ZB23/02019/FUL Change of Use of agricultural land for the formation of private equestrian arena (no illumination), construction of building for mix of agricultural and equestrian use and formation of access track to arena and mixed use building at Kirby Lodge, Hill Road, Kirkby-in-Cleveland, Middlesbrough, North Yorkshire TS9 7HJ - **GRANTED**

7.2 Flooding on Hill Road – Cllr Seymour is to investigate.

8.0 Finance

8.1 Payments to be approved

i) S. Johnson - Green cut

ii) Cllr Seymour – LED Christmas tree lights for 2024

8.2 Payments made

i) S. Johnson £180 – Green cut

8.3 Confirmation of bank balance - £8661.80 as at 5th January 2024

8.4 Precept 2024/2025 – Confirmed to NYC

8.5 Training on VAT for unregistered councils – clerk unable to access webinar –re-booked on course 27th February 2024

9.0 Correspondence

9.1 Kirkby Heritage Project - email from Joshua Daniels 18/12/23. Offering video services for a heritage project. Cllr Frew is to respond, declining the offer as the Local History Group has already produced similar trail leaflets and other information materials.

9.2 Email from Pam Rayment – requesting details of possible historical walks around the village. Passed to the History Society to liaise.

9.3 Parish workshops - email from Area 2 Thirsk - Information on highway matters. Cllr Passman to attend on Monday 12th February and report back at the next meeting.

9.4 White Rose Bulletin 19/01/24

(i) YLCA Hambleton Branch Meeting 14/02/24 - no-one available to attend. Clerk to send apologies.

(ii) Withdrawal of landlines and switch to digital – too late for the February church newsletter but will be put in March issue. Concern as this system requires a reliable mobile signal – the signal in Kirkby is erratic. Ofcom advises customers to get in touch with their phone service provider if they think they will be adversely affected

10.0 Matters requested by the Council

10.1 Highway Asset management – Urban Highway Grass Cutting – The PC wishes that NYC continues to cut highway grass cutting within the parish. This refers to the verge along the section of the A172 which is at the north end of the parish.

10.2 Cllr Weighell advised that an overgrown hedge is blocking the site line at the east side of the junction at Beggar My Neighbour Farm. Clerk to advise Highways.

11.0 Date of next Parish Council meeting - Monday 4th March 2024 in Kirkby Church Hall at 7.30 p.m.

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