

Kirkburn Parish Council

Smithy Cottage, Main Street, Kirkburn, YO25 9DU

Minutes of the Kirkburn Parish Council Meeting held
at Kirkburn Village Hall, 7pm, Thursday 12th January 2023

Councillors present

Philip Ashcroft - Chair and Acting Clerk
Carl Jones
Darren Wilks
Beverly Didsbury
Liz Webster

Others present

Derek Megginson
Councillor Michael Lee

1. Introduction to meeting by Chair

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

Parish Councillors Lynette Cope and Lesley Cairns

3. Declarations of interest

Philip Ashcroft declared an interest as a member of Kirkburn Village Hall Committee. Darren Wilks declared an interest as the owner of two local garages and the Treasurer of Drifffield Shop Watch. Beverly Didsbury declared an interest as the Caretaker for HQ AirSoft.

4. Welcome to other attendees

Philip Ashcroft welcomed Derek Megginson and Cllr Lee to the meeting.

5. Minutes of the council meeting held on Thursday 3rd November 2022

The minutes were taken as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

6. Matters arising from minutes and not covered by the agenda

Litter Bin on Tibthorpe Road – Following the complaint to ERYC regarding their refusal to install a litter bin, a large green plastic bin has subsequently been installed. The Chair has received a complaint from Tibthorpe Parish Council and has informed them that it is ERYC who installed it. The Chair is to raise the concerns of Kirkburn Parish Council and Tibthorpe Parish Council with ERYC that the bin is not suitable and has been installed in the Tibthorpe Parish area.

Former telephone kiosk in Southburn - Carl Jones to install the shelving and backboard. Lynette Cope to put the books in once this has been done.

Public footpath - Philip Ashcroft to complete paperwork for footpath between Main Street and A614 to be added to the definitive map.

Humber and Wolds Rural Action – Membership application form and cheque has been submitted.

Code of Conduct Training – The Chair has completed the training and requested that all other parish council members undertake the training via the link that has been sent twice to all members.

Membership of ERNLLCA – As agreed at the last meeting the Clerk to arrange for Parish Council to join the ERNLLCA

7. Precept for 2023/4

The Clerk presented a budget model spreadsheet for discussion of the new precept. Following much discussion regarding concerns relating to the current cost of living issues it was agreed by those present to submit a request for a precept of £6720.00.

8. Community Payback Scheme – update on tasks undertaken and planned

The Chair informed the meeting that the Probation Service had visited the Parish to discuss what tasks the Parish Council would like to be undertaken and what could be carried out by the Community Payback team. It was suggested that the village hall car park could be cleaned up and new gravel laid, the path from Main Street through to the bypass could be improved and dressed with new stone chips, footpaths could be trimmed back to remove encroaching grass and the village hall could be redecorated.

Work on the footpath has begun but the hard frosts have slowed down the work. The footpaths in the village near the church and towards No. 11A have been trimmed back. The grass encroaching onto pathway in the church yard has also been trimmed back.

9. Humberside Police

No one available to attend from Humberside Police. There was a brief discussion relating to the statement from the Chief Constable in the local media (following a recent severe assault) that the police presence in Driffild, Rural Task Force, is to be increased to a level of one sergeant and eight constables.

10. Church clock and church yard

Mr Derek Megginson provided an update on the modernisation of the war memorial clock. They have selected their preferred contractor based on the three quotations received. Due to the Grade I listing the work has to be agreed by the church faculty before any work can proceed. Due to donations promised, including that from the Parish Council, they are now in a position to also potentially re-gild and paint the numerals and hands of the clock face whilst the clock mechanism is being modernised. This will require a little more fundraising and Mr Megginson asked if the Parish Council would be in a position to add to its existing grant for the modernisation of the clock mechanism.

The matter was discussed by the Parish Council members and it was agreed that as it is the centenary of when the War Memorial Clock was installed it would be suitable for the Parish to contribute. A suitable contribution to be made once the works have been approved by the Diocese and the quotations have been finalised. Mr Megginson thanked the Parish Council on behalf of the Parochial Church Council.

The Clerk has contacted ERYC regarding contributions towards the upkeep of the church yard and has been advised as follows: *“The advice unfortunately is that the Local Government Act 1894 section 8 is still relevant. This contains the restriction on the ability for a parish council to contribute to PCC expenses etc.”*

11. Community Speedwatch and speed limits update

Philip Ashcroft has arranged to meet with Humberside Police Community Speedwatch Team. Date and Time to be confirmed

12. Road and Street Lights

Following on site meeting with the Acting Director for Street Scenes, Carl Skelton and one of his senior managers, Carl Gillyon, regarding concerns over road safety within the parish. Carl Gillyon created a draft report for Parish Council to respond to. Philip Ashcroft responded on behalf of the Parish Council.

Subsequently ERYC has installed several new road signs and road markings on Eastlands Road. Unfortunately not, as yet, the Give Way markings at the junction with the A614. Clerk to request this is undertaken ASAP.

Clerk to invite Paul Bellotti, Executive Director, to attend the next parish council meeting.

Street lighting work in the Kelleythorpe, Driffield and Nafferton areas is still ongoing at the major roundabouts. The work on the street lights between Kelleythorpe Roundabout and Ramsden Close is to be undertaken in February/March 2023.

13. Planning Applications

Planning applications received from ERYC since the last meeting.

Applicant and Ref No.	Description	Comments
Southlands Hutton Road Southburn YO25 9ED 22/03637/PLF	Installation of ground mounted solar panels	No objections
A B Graphic International Limited Unit 110 Kelleythorpe Industrial Estate Wadsworth Road Kelleythorpe YO25 9DJ 22/03736/PLF	Erection of an extension to existing building	No objections
Land North And East Of Allotments Cemetery Lane Driffield YO25 5NJ 22/03976/STOUT	Outline - Erection of up to 390 dwellings with associated infrastructure and construction of roundabout onto A614 (access to be considered)	Require assurances that local NHS Primary Care are improved before approval by ERYC. New roundabout constructed before development starts. All homes should be net zero ready and have bat and bird boxes built into fabric.

No new planning application decisions received from ERYC since the last meeting.

Felling of tree in Kirkburn with TPO- ERYC Trees and Landscape Team have confirmed that the tree is to be replaced prior to end of winter planting season.

Commuted Sums – Chair has been invited to a meeting with ERYC to discuss the potential access to Commuted Sums from the Peter Ward Development (Hudson Park) in Kelleythorpe. It had been hoped Commuted Sum monies could be utilised to help purchase additional play equipment for the Kelleythorpe play area.

ERYC Five Year Forward Plan – Chair attended the public open event in Driffield to view ERYC's review of the Five Year Forward Plan. He reported that one of the main changes is the reduction from 30% of housing to be affordable homes to between 10 to 20 percent of homes to be affordable homes!

The Chair was also informed that it will be 2024 before the Masterplan for the Alamein Barracks site is put before ERYC Cabinet as it is integrated into this review of the Five Year Forward Plan. This does not take into account any early calling of a General Election.

The Clerk to submit Parish Council's response. The deadline is 5th December and the Chair encouraged all members to submit a personal response to the Review.

14. Accounts payable and council financial matters

Receipts since 3rd November 2022

£116.13 HMRC VAT repayment

Outgoings since 3rd November 2022

£ 25.20 – Plusnet November invoice

£ 211.20 – Gravel for paths

£ 131.18 – Gravel board for edging paths

£ 25.20 – Plusnet December invoice

£ 211.20 – Gravel for paths

£ 25.20 – Plusnet January invoice

£ 109.77 – Printer cartridges

£ 25.00 – HWRCC Membership

15. Correspondence

Request from Driffild Secondary School for contribution to after school bus.

16. Any Other Business

Cost of Living Crisis – There was a discussion on the Cost of Living crisis during which the Chair highlighted the need for everyone to be aware of the needs of fellow residents and to share the details of local and national schemes that are available to assist those in need. Cllr Lee also offered his support on this issue as a local ERYC Ward Councillor.

Declarations of Interest – ERYC's Democratic Services Team have highlighted the requirement for all Parish Councillors to ensure their Declarations of Interest are up to date.

May 2023 – Local elections are to be held on 4th May 2023. As part of the local election process Parish Councils within the East Riding are also due for re-election. The Clerk is to attend a Zoom meeting being held by ERYC's Democratic Services Team and will brief Parish Councillors following this meeting who wish to stand as Parish Councillors.

17. Date of next meeting

Thursday 20th April 2023 at 7pm in Kirkburn Village Hall.

18. Close of meeting

9.15 pm