

Minutes - 10 January 2023

CROWTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Crowton Parish Council meeting held on

Tuesday 10 January 2023 at Crowton Village Hall

2022

Present

Cllr Ross McCrickerd (Chair) (RM) Cllr Richard Thorne (Vice Chair) (RT)

Cllr Elizabeth Stubbs (ES), Cllr Jennifer Currie (JC), Cllr Robert Stubbs (RS)

Cllr Roger Hammond (RH), Ward Cllr Charles Fifield

Clerk T Whitlow (TW)

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Apologies for Absence were received from:

Cllr Joel Rutter

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Declarations of Members' Interests –None received

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Approve Minutes The minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 8th November 2022 were approved & signed by the Chair

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Matters arising from Minutes of 08/11/2022

(1) Broadband – Factco have started their build of the fibre broadband with the 3 parishes of Crowton, Norley & Kingsley.

There is another open meeting on 17th January at the village hall, TW to Facebook and put poster on noticeboard.

(2) Station Road surface- The PC feel this is now the worse it has been in years, probably one of the worse roads in Cheshire, they are getting constant reports of residents having blown tyres due to this.

The PC have an online meeting with Highways on Tuesday 17 January as many as possible Cllr's requested to attend. TW to ask for total number of complaints in the last 12 months, and amount spent in the last 12 months.

(3) 30-mile hour zone- This will be discussed at the above Highways meeting next week.

(4) SID's- To be discussed and hopefully finalised at the above meeting with Highways.

(5) Noticeboard: TW confirmed that the PC have secured funding for the new notice board, but the figure has not been confirmed, as this has been ongoing it is envisaged that the price

may have increased PC resolved to fund any excess, not anticipated to be more than £200 if the PC receive the amount requested.

(6) Crewood Common Road – This has been resurfaced, but the edges of the road are now very high, with a significant drop to the grass verge. To be discussed at the Highways meeting next week.

(7) Kings Coronation – RM happy to host similar event to the Jubilee at the Hare & Hounds, to be discussed further at the next meeting.

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Public Participation: No issues raised

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Ward Cllr Report-

Cllr Charles Fifield informed the PC that there was a main finance meeting for CWAC next week. Looking likely that the budget is going to have to increase significantly

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Millennium Green

(1) Proposed changes to entrance gates to make MG wheelchair accessible

RT provided a sketch plan of his proposal for the MG. TW to contact CWAC architectural services to see if they could assist in the drawing up of plans and putting the works out to tender. TW to look at funding option- spacehive and National Lottery.

RS to forward information on using wool as a path membrane.

(2) External fence – Highways claim the fence belongs to the landowner, to clarify where this information is with highways at the meeting next week, as it is a significant concrete fence over a stream.

(3) MG Charitable Trust – It appears both the PC and RO are trustees of the MG, TW to investigate RO as an individual being taken off, at his request

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Planning Applications –

22/04375/FUL – 9 Pickering o’the Boat- 2 story side/rear extension.

Resolved No comment

22/03796/FUL- Land at Sandhole Lane – erection of building for agriculture

Resolved to comment –

Described as agricultural building- no agricultural building has a slate roof.

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Budget-

The circulated budget was agreed, at £10150

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Precept-

After discussion it was agreed to set the precept at £9650, allowing for field rent income at 50% to meet the budget. This will give a band D property an annual increase of £2.95. Without increasing the precept, the PC feel that projects already in hand cannot be completed.

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Correspondence – Nothing received that hasn’t already been discussed.

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Accounts-

Payments agreed:

- (1) Clerk’s salary November/December/January
- (2) Refund ES £162.91 for Christmas tree and refreshments for the lighting of
- (3) B Griffiths £70 for supply of electric for Christmas tree and daily checks of it.
- (4) RS refund of £260 for skip for MG
- (5) Clerk Expenses Nov-Dec £98.90

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Items for next agenda –

SID’s

Fibre Broadband update

Highways meeting update

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Date for next meeting – Tuesday 14 February 2023 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm