**STRENSALL WITH TOWTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES OF AN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 12th JULY 2022 AT 7.15 PM**

**Councillors Present:** Chris Chambers John Chapman Tony Fisher\*\* Susan Nunn Kevin Ogilvy

**In Attendance:** Fiona Hill - Parish Clerk

**Public Present:** 0

\*\* City of York Councillor

Parish Councillor Ray Maher had notified the Parish Council of his resignation. The Parish Council would thank him for his service to the Parish Council.

1. **a) To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting:** Andrew Bolton and Ray Maher

**b) To consider the approval of reasons given for absence:** Resolved/Approved

The Parish Council had approved absence for six months for Cllr Dickson at the meeting on 14th June 2022

1. **To discuss the ordinary and casual vacancies:** NTR
2. **To receive any declarations of interest under the Parish Council Code of Conduct or**

**Members register of interests:** Cllr Fisher – North Yorkshire Police Report – Involvement with incidents

Cllr Chambers – Church Grant Request – Committee Member

Cllr Chambers – Hedge @ 71 The Village – Spoken to complainant

1. **a) To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 14th June 2022:**

Resolved – Approved (Unanimous)

**b) To endorse the approved Planning Committee minutes of 14th and 28th June 2022:**

Resolved – Approved (Unanimous)

1. **Public participation on any subject relating to the agenda:** None

**22/17 To receive matters raised by/with City of York Ward Councillors:** Cllr Fisher had met with the North Yorkshire Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner to urge her to reconsider the proposed changes with Huntington Fire Station. Cllr Fisher reported that the A64 dualling had been further delayed and that the last bank in Haxby, Barclays, is to close.

**22/18 To discuss and, if necessary, agree action on matters arising/ongoing issues:** a)North Yorkshire Police monthly reports The June 2022 report was circulated by email. The Parish Council is concerned that anti-social behaviour is escalating. b) Proposed Community Garden on York Road Cllrs Dickson, Fisher and Nunn would draft a proposal, which would be submitted to the Trees, Allotments and Open Spaces Committee

**22/19 To discuss and, if necessary, agree action on matters raised since last meeting:** a) Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) – now obsolete Jane Mowat, Head of Community Safety, City of York Council had emailed as follows: “*Designated Public Place Orders' (DPPOs) had previously led to the creation of 'Alcohol Restriction Zones' (ARZ) in the following areas - Clarence Gardens, Cleveland Street, Clifton Moor Community Church, Duncombe Place, Exhibition Square, Glen Gardens, Heworth, Museum Gardens, Poppleton Community Centre, Rawcliffe/Clifton Library, Rawcliffe Lake, Salisbury Terrace, Union Terrace, Walmgate, Woodthorpe Green. With the replacement of DPPOs by PSPOs (on 20 October 2017) we  'discharged' these orders, as evidence was not available regarding ongoing problems with alcohol-related anti-social behaviour. We then undertook a further review of PSPOs in 2020 and concluded that the only areas which continued to be a major issue in respect of alcohol related ASB were Union Terrace/Clarence Gardens and the City Centre.  These are areas were recently re-designated PSPOs following a period of statutory consultation which demonstrated overwhelming support.  I meet with the NPT inspectors on Teams several times during the week and chair an ASB York Outer monthly strategic meeting.  If we feel that there is benefit in considering PSPOs in other parts of the city, then it would be through that monthly meeting that a decision would be made.  However, PSPO alone does not resolve anti-social behaviour. It has to be implemented along with a wider plan of action to address all aspects of the behaviour through a multi agency problem solving approach*”.The Parish Council noted, with disappointment, this information. b) St Mary’s Church – Grant request for maintenance of churchyard Resolved – The Parish Council would pay a grant of £1000.00 (Unanimous) c) Allotments – Availability to none Strensall and Towthorpe residents, possible water supply Resolved – The Parish Council would not change the rules to allow none parishioners to be tenants of the allotments, to support parishioners and the sustainability of the allotments. (Unanimous) Resolved – The Parish Council would ask Yorkshire Water to quote for providing a connection from the nearest connection point to the allotments. (Unanimous)

d) Northfields Senior Play Area – taking back misplaced bark under swings Resolved – The Parish Council would accept the quotation from Ashfield Leisure of £25.00 per visit and would ask them to visit fortnightly, commencing ASAP (Unanimous) e) Parish Planters – Arrangements for planting/care winter 2022/2023 Resolved – The Parish Council agreed to spend up to £50.00 on daffodils and Cllr Nunn would supervise their planning and care. (Unanimous) Resolved – The Parish Council agreed to spend up to £150.00 on plants and Cllr Fisher would supervise their planning and care. (Unanimous) f) Christmas Trees – Arrangements for 2022 There were differing opinions on whether or not to provide trees and if so, what to provide. The Parish Clerk reminded the Parish Council how much time had been spent on this matter. Resolved – If a Councillor had a proposal, they should obtain quotes, then prepare a report, which could be circulated and discussed at a future meeting. (Unanimous) g) Hanging Baskets – Arrangements for 2023 - This matter was deferred until the next meeting.

**22/20 To discuss and, if necessary, agree action, on any correspondence received:** a) Parishioner complaint regarding overgrown vegetation along footpath betweenLords Moor Lane and Moor Lane Resolved – The Parish Council would obtain quotations for this work, as it was too much for Councillors to do. (Unanimous) b) Parishioner complaint regarding overgrown hedge bordering 71 The Village Resolved – The Parish Council would write to the property owner and if the hedge was not cut back, it would be reported to City of York Council (Unanimous)

**22/21 To discuss matters raised by/with Responsible Financial Officer (RFO):** a)Bank reconciliation, income received, payments made to date The Parish Clerk had circulated a financial report by email b) Internal controls checks Cllr Fisher would conduct the checks in the office tomorrow c) Yorkshire Local Councils Association – NTR

**22/22 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 09th August 2022 at 7.15 p.m.:** Resolved – Approved (Unanimous)

