

CRAYKE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Crayke Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th March 2023

23.14 Present

Councillors: C Merritt (Chair), J Porter, N Jackson, L Hartley, J Jefferson, T Moverley
Public: 0

23.15 Apologies for absence

It was **resolved** to accept the explanation of absence from Councillor Featherstone.
Apologies were also received from County Councillor Knapton

23.16 Declarations of interest - None

23.17 Previous Minutes

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th January 2023 as a true record.

23.18 Open Forum

1. It was noted that Councillors Featherstone and Jefferson have installed the salt bin in the Sports Club car park.
2. A question was asked whether there must be a 30 mph sign on both sides of the road for a speed limit to be legally valid. It was in relation to the single sign that marks the new limit of the 30 mph zone on Crayke Lane. Action: Merritt

23.19 Community, District and County Matters

1. Council noted that the changes to the local authority structure for North Yorkshire will happen on 1st April this year. The latest information about the changes is available on the County Council's website at <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/new-council-0>.

23.20 Matters in hand

1. Traffic matters
 - a. We continue to deploy the vehicle activated sign. Analyses of the results are put on the website.
 - b. It was agreed to ask the Police to do speed checks in the village occasionally as they do in neighbouring villages. Action Merritt
2. Village Green
 - a. Councillors Featherstone and Jefferson have installed the new bench at the top of the Green It replaces the one to the right of the church steps which had reached the point when it was no longer worth repairing.
 - b. Highways have still not reported back to us about the pothole at the end of the track at the top. The Chairman agreed to chase them about it. Action: Merritt
 - c. There was a very good response to the initiative to plant wild flowers and bulbs on the Green. Bulbs have been planted and a score of people are growing seedlings which will be planted later in Spring.

3. Green Council
 - a. The report from the event in February is on the website - <https://craykepc.org.uk/sustainable-crayke-habitats-cafe-feb-2023/> . The next events will be in April and September.
 - b. Electric vehicle charging points -The group is investigating the possibilities for one or more public charging points in the village and has also done an initial survey to identify houses which have the potential to install off-road charging points.
4. Litter Pick – this year’s litter pick will be on 1st April. The Chairman agreed to organise and publicise it. Action: Merritt

23.21 Village matters

1. Coronation – It was **resolved** to authorise the Chairman to purchase decorations up to a cost of £100.
2. Salt bin – It was **resolved** to authorise the Clerk to buy a scoop and a shovel for spreading the salt up to a total cost of £50.

23.22 Financial matters

- 1 It was confirmed that all the bank payments made since the last meeting up to the end of 13th March had been properly authorised.
- 2 It was **resolved** to receive and approve the reports on:
 - the financial position at 28th February 2023
 - the current budget position.
- 3 The following receipts and previously approved charges or payments made since the last meeting were noted:

Receipts

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| a. AXA insurance, for road sign | £600.00 |
| b. Precept, part 2 | £1,755.00 |

Payments

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| c. TDP Ltd., Bench for top of the Green
inc. VAT £90.65 (107375, 8/2/23) | £543.90 |
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- 4 It was **resolved** to approve payment of the following:
 - a. Clerk, Defibrillator pads bought on behalf of the Council from St. John’s Ambulance
£65.94
inc. VAT £10.99 (1470235, 10/1/23)
 - b. Clerk, Road salt bought on behalf of the Council from NRS £152.00
inc. VAT £25.33 (1545, 22/1/23) approved using powers under Section 137
 - c. Clerk’s salary and Expenses for the year 2022/23 £1,879.47
 - d. PAYE for 2022/23 £452.00
 - 5 Additional items circulated at the meeting – It was **resolved** to approve payment of the following:
 - a. Clerk, Poo bag dispenser bought on behalf of the Council from Amazon £33.40
inc. VAT £5.57 (85670781, 4/3/23) approved using powers under Section 137.

23.23 Planning

3. New applications:
 - a. 23/00213/LBC – Crayke Hall, Church Hill - Replacement of two sash windows and one set of French doors in the Drawing Room and two canted bay windows to the front south elevation – It was **resolved** to confirm the response of no objection.
 - b. 23/00577/FUL - Durham Ox, West Way - Retrospective application for retaining wall to

support the existing car park extended with area for below ground gas enclosure – It was **resolved** to make no objection.

4. Updates to applications:
 - a. 22/02814/FUL – Crayke Lodge, Daffy Lane - Two storey side extension and internal configuration – Withdrawn
 - b. 22/02854/FUL - Low Stott Farm, Daffy Lane - Demolition of existing sunroom, erection of single storey extensions to front and side elevations, internal remodelling, and proposed balcony at upper ground floor level - Granted

23.24 New items and correspondence to note or for decision

1. It was decided to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 9th May, starting at 19:00.
2. Financial Regulations – Council noted the increase in the procurement threshold in the Public Contracts regulations from £25,000 to £30,000 and **resolved** to amend the Financial Regulations to incorporate the change.
3. North Yorkshire Council's Parish Charter
 - a. Council discussed the Charter and agreed to authorise the Chairman and Clerk to submit comments about it on the Council's behalf.
 - b. It was **resolved** to change the references in Standing Orders to "District" and "County" Councils to reflect the new North Yorkshire Local Authority structure.

23.25 Items for the next agenda: - None

23.26 Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Council, which will be the Annual Meeting, will be on Tuesday 9th May starting at 19:30 in the Sports Club.