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Minutes of the meeting of Melbourne Parish Council held in the village hall at 6.30pm on Monday 5 September 2022.

Present: Councillors Cooper (in the chair), Tomalin, Naylor, Lee, Breeze, Downes, Johnson, Rollason and Kemp.
Cllr Hammond, East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) ward councillor, was also in attendance.

22/37 Apologies – None

22/38 Members of the public present – None.

22/39 Declarations of interest – Cllr Kemp declared a non-pecuniary interest in minute 22/51 (item 25 on the agenda).

22/40 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 July 2022 – Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

22/41 Matters arising from the minutes – None.

22/42 Community Speedwatch – Sufficient volunteers to establish a group had now been identified. However, the Safer Roads pHumber training officer was not in work for the foreseeable future which meant training had currently stopped. As a result, the group could not progress at this time. **Noted and thanks given for the ongoing hard work by Cllrs Rollason and Naylor.**

22/43 Trees from the Woodland Trust – The Clerk informed councillors that the trees would arrive between 31 October and 11 November. It was agreed the trees would be planted on the parish plot east of Bridge Farm and the parish plot on Kidd Lane.

22/44 Crossroads at Boundary Farm – Cllr Hammond had requested the Highways Authority change the give way signs to stop signs and have the junction markings repainted to make them clearer.

Agreed that the Clerk would write to the Highways Authority to:

- a. **request it change the give way signs to stop signs and have the junction markings repainted to make them clearer and also to request any superfluous signs and objects obstructing sightlines be removed; and**
- b. **request landowners cut back hedges and growth which is obstructing sightlines on all exits onto General Lane.**

22/45 Triathlon update – members discussed the recent triathlon events.

Due to changes in legislation, roads must be closed for races of a certain size; hence the road closures during the triathlon events. Residents were allowed under this legislation access to their local service town (Pocklington). It seemed however, that a small number of marshals (hired by Marauder from a different company) did not accept the right of villagers to use the closed roads which caused some problems. Cllr Hammond had fed this back to the Highways Authority. There was no decision on whether there would be further races.

22/46 Public Rights of Way (PROWs) –

- a. FP1 (St Monica's Close PROW) - the sign had been reinstated. The footpath had been cleared and was walkable (although not 1.5 meters wide). Cllr Hammond confirmed ERYC had written to any land owners where there was overhanging growth, and asked them to cut this back.
- b. FP7 (Kidd Lane PROW) - the obstructions at the footbridge and the oak tree had been removed. The bridges were all to be repaired in the short term and would then be replaced in the near future.
- c. Discussions around national legislation and wheelchair accessible gates.
- d. Canal PROW and the use of this by cars – ERYC doesn't have powers to address this but it is illegal for cars to use the track; therefore it was advised that people take a note of the numberplate and call the Police. **Agreed Cllr Breeze to speak to the Pocklington Canal Amenity Society about the**

possibility of erecting a 'No Vehicles' sign and if the group is in agreement, Cllr Cooper to write to the Canal and River Trust about the matter.

- e. PROW through Melbourne Hall land from Ash Lane – the signage was unclear after crossing the first field. **Agreed Cllr Hammond would report the matter to ERYC.**

22/47 Painting of the bench – Scouts – the scout leader had informed the Clerk that that scouts would paint the bench at Kidd Lane (by the bin). **Agreed the Clerk would liaise with the scout leader to determine whether the bench was in a fit state to be painted and if so, buy the necessary materials.**

22/48 Parish Council's current financial position – Noted.

22/49 Requests for payment – Approved:

- a. Village Hall hire for September - £25
- b. Repayment to Clerk for McAfee annual subscription - £64.99
- c. Repayment to clerk for wine for Mr & Mrs Uncles – £12.50
- d. Repayment to clerk for colour and b&w ink cartridges - £34.89
- e. HMRC Quarter 2 - £497.73

22/50 Payments already made:

- a. Posthaste Printers (newsletter) - £280
- b. ERNLLCA subscription - £433.43

22/51 Planning applications:

- a. 22/02770/PLF – Ryedale House, Seaton Common Lane, YO42 4ST – no comments.

22/52 Planning notices – noted.

22/53 Correspondence since the last meeting – Noted.

22/54 Councillor Forum:

- a. Cllr Johnson - Closure of the village shop and change of use to a dwelling. Cllrs discussed the old shop sign and whether it could be retained. The issue of sustainability from a planning perspective was also discussed – **Agreed that Cllr Cooper would write to ERYC to ask for clarity on its principal village status with the closure of the shop.**
- b. Cllr Rollason – there had been a door-to-door salesperson in the village – **Noted.**
- c. Cllr Lee – large HGVs on Church Lane – **Recommended that the number plates be noted and reported to ERYC and the Police.**
- d. Cllr Cooper – **Agreed that Cllr Cooper would write to Yorkshire Water to thank them for the work they have done and seek clarification the work has been completed.**
- e. Cllr Hammond - Western Parishes Liaison meeting would be held provisionally on 2 November. The Police and Crime Commissioner and an inspector from Humberside Police as well as representatives from the Highways Authority would be in attendance to discuss speeding.
- f. Cllr Johnson – the defibrillator sign was currently in shop which was due to close. **Agreed that the Clerk would ask if the sign could be placed in the phone box.**
- g. Cllr Tomalin noted the defibrillator was hard to find at the back of the village hall and asked if better signage was possible. **Agreed that the Clerk would research costs etc.**

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 14 November 2022.

The January 2023 meeting would be held on Tuesday 10 January

The meeting closed at 8pm.