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Minutes of the meeting of Melbourne Parish Council held at 7.20pm on Monday 7 September 2020 in the Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Cooper (in the chair), Tomalin, Breeze, Johnson, Rollason, Kemp, Braidley and Downes.

Councillor Hammond (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) was in attendance.

20/24 Apologies – Councillor Lee.

20/25 Members of the public present: 0.

20/26 Agreed that special dispensation to be extended for Cllr Lee for the next 6 months.

20/27 Declarations of interest – None.

20/28 Minutes of the meetings held on 28 July 2020 – Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

20/29 Matters arising from minutes:

19/101 Traffic - speeding through the village specifically by Melbourne Sports and Playing Fields – a meeting would be held with Cllrs Cooper, Breeze and the Clerk with a representative from ERYC on 8 September 2020 to discuss the extension of the 30mph speeding limit at the east of the village and other speeding issues in the village.

20/30 Yorkshire Water – this matter was discussed earlier at the Annual Parish Meeting. Cllr Kemp provided an update about flooding issues around Kidd Lane. There had been some improvements following work by YW but significant issues remained.

20/31 Parish Council response to Covid19 – initial considerations – the Parish Council considered the response to the covid91 pandemic which had been led by MSOS and plans for dealing with any future spike in the virus. It offered its thanks to MSOS for the hard work carried out in helping residents in need of assistance.

Agreed that:

- a) the Clerk to check the legalities of giving a cash float to MSOS; and**
- b) if there is no legal barrier, Cllr Braidley would act as the Parish Council's link with MSOS, to oversee the management of the float and to carry out any checks and balances required by the Parish Council.**

20/32 Electronic Speed Indicator Devices – Councillors discussed the issue of permanent speeding solutions and different ways lower levels of speeding could be achieved.

Agreed that Cllr Hammond would arrange a site visit with Councillors and Highways to discuss potential speeding solutions.

20/33 Parish Council presence on the Melbourne Community Facebook page – Councillors agreed any responses should be for the purpose of providing information only. If possible links to the Parish Council's website would be provided with any posts.

Agreed that Councillors Downes and Rollason act as the Parish Council representatives on the Face Book Melbourne Community Group. The arrangements to be reviewed in 3 months.

20/34 Maintenance of verges – west end of the village – The Chairman informed councillors a parishioner had informed him that the state of the verges at the east end of village were better maintained than those at the west end. Currently, the verges outside the new estate were in a poor state and needed maintenance, although there was uncertainty as to who had responsibility for these.

ERYC cut verges twice a year, although ERYC would not cut an area if the householder had already done it. If parishioners had issues with overgrown verges they could either report it to ERYC or contact the Clerk who would do it on their behalf.

In relation to the new estate, Councillor Hammond said he was continuing to chase ERYC to move the 30mph signs in accordance with the developer's plans.

Agreed – Councillor Hammond would speak to ERYC to determine ownership of the verges outside the new estate.

20/35 Village signs flower beds– work was required to relay the coping stones. It was also agreed that the work of the residents who tended the beds should be recognised.

Agreed that the Clerk would source someone to carry out the work required.

20/36 Booking of the Pavilion for future meetings – Councillors agreed the Parish Council could not meet at the pavilion at the moment because there was insufficient space to allow for social distancing.

20/37 Planning applications received:

- a) 20/02435/PLF – Rose Thorpe Park – erection of a stock shed for the housing of calves – **no comments**
- b) 20/02290/PLF - The Beeches, Main Street, YO42 4QJ – replacement of 9 timber single glazed windows with timber double glazed windows – **support making the property more efficient**

20/38 Planning Notices – noted.

20/39 Parish Council Accounts – currently £13,215.79 in the current account and £2072.56 in the savings account.

20/40 Requests for payments – The following payments were agreed:

- a) Internal audit - £50
- b) Christmas Tree for the village - £200

20/41 Approval for payments already made online – the following payments were approved:

- a) XYZ Printers (now Post Haste Printers) - £175
- b) HMRC – £431.48
- c) HMRC – £420.93
- d) Village Hall - £20

20/42 Correspondence – Noted.

20/43 Councillor Forum:

- a) MSPFA – Cllr Breeze stated he was stepping down as Chairman. He thanked the Parish Council for its continued support over the years and the good relationship between the two groups. The pavilion now had a new kitchen and had been redecorated and the drains had been refurbished. All the gym equipment was fit for use and the driveway and carpark had been resurfaced. The use of facilities was increasing. The group had also registered for commuted sums.
- b) Trees near the footpath entrance into the playing field – touching the overhead wires – **Cllr Breeze would check this.**
- c) There had been a suggestion from the editor of the village newsletter that the Parish Council had a regular slot in the newsletter – **Agreed the Clerk would speak to the editor about this.**
- d) Information about how to make complaints to Yorkshire Water to be put on Facebook – **Cllr Rollason to action**
- e) Update on the planning application for 14 lodges
- f) Welcome packs – **Agreed that the Clerk would provide new details for the packs**
- g) **Clerk and Cllr Cooper to discuss any outstanding street scene issues** and let Cllr Hammond have details of these.

- h) Cllr Hammond informed the Parish Council there had been around 300 deaths in the East Riding; 109 in care homes. It was thought the numbers were so relatively low because of the community response, an effective track and trace system which was already in place to deal with such an event and so did not have to rely on the government system and sufficient PPE provided by the local army bases.

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be at **7pm on Monday 9 November 2020 in the village hall.**

The meeting closed at 10:10pm.