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Minutes of the meeting of Melbourne Parish Council held in the village hall at 6.30pm on Monday 8 July 2024.

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

Ward Cllr Carey was in attendance.

24/19 Apologies – None.

24/20 Members of the public present – 1

24/21 Declarations of interest – Cllr Johnson declared a pecuniary interest in minute 24/35 and left the room and took no part in the discussion or voting on the item.

24/22 Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 13 March 2024 – Agreed – that the minutes of the meetings be approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

24/23 Matters arising from the minutes:

23/79 Sumo junction signage – **Agreed the Clerk would ask East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) for an update.**

24/13 Removal of cherry tree – Greener Pocklington had agreed it would plant a birch tree in place of the cherry tree which has been removed. However, it was decided it would be preferable to plant another cherry tree to replace the one which had been removed. **Agreed that the Clerk would:**

- a) ask ERYC whether it intended to remove the stump and if not, could the tree be placed in any location on the plot;
- b) ask ERYC who would be responsible for pruning the tree if required;
- c) ask Greener Pocklington if it would plant a cherry tree and if so, what the cost would be;
- d) update the residents who had raised the issue of the tree.

It was also agreed the Chairman would speak to Kevin Parkin about getting rid of the stump if ERYC would not do so.

24/24 Maintenance of public right of way FP1 – Cllr Breeze had cut back public right of way FP1, and it was now clear. The Parish Council thanked him for doing this on behalf of the parish. ERYC had responded to the Parish Council's concerns and confirmed its ownership of the path running between Forge Close and St Monica's Close. It also stated it would cut back the PROW three times a year. **It was agreed:**

- a) the Parish Council would continue to monitor the situation; and
- b) the Clerk would ask ERYC about the purchase of the yellow directional arrows for use on PROWs FP1 and FP7.

24/25 Parking of cars within 10m of a junction and opposite or close to Forge Close and the Kidd Lane junction:

Forge Close – Events at the pub, canal and other activities resulted in cars parking on both sides of the road within 10m of the junction. This caused visual obstruction for traffic using the junction especially when joining Main Street, which was effectively reduced to a single carriageway.

Kidd Lane - Access onto and out of Kidd Lane was being seriously affected by people parking their cars directly opposite the junction and close to the turning into Kidd Lane. This was impacting on the school bus.

Agreed that the Clerk would ask the school to highlight the Kidd Lane issue in its newsletter and would also highlight the problems at Forge Close and Kidd Lane in the village newsletter.

24/26 Pothole opposite 2 Pinfold Cottages – Cllr Thomas had reported four large potholes in the passing place opposite 2 Pinfold Cottages but had received no acknowledgement. **Agreed that the Clerk would report the issue again.**

- 24/27 Boundary Farm junction** – Cllr Hammond had stated at the last meeting there had been a site meeting and was awaiting the police report. **Agreed that the Clerk would ask Cllr Hammond for an update and ascertain who had decision-making powers to erect traffic signage.**
- 24/28 SOAY communications** – **Agreed Clerk to monitor communications which needed reporting to residents.**
- 24/29 Speed cameras – Bubwith response** – following the response from the Bubwith Speed Watch Co-ordinator, it was **Agreed that the Clerk would ask for the following additional information:**
- a) whether the data showed speeding had decreased since the cameras had been in place;
 - b) how the data was collated and presented;
 - c) who managed the data in Bubwith together with an indication of how much time it took to process the data and decide what to send to the Police.
 - d) whether the Speed Watch Co-ordinator would attend the September meeting to provide guidance and answer questions.
- It was also agreed the Clerk would try to establish the costs of buying the cameras, the costs of maintenance and more details about signage.**
- 24/30 Editor for Parish Newsletter** – Update noted.
- 24/31 National Highways & Transport Public Satisfaction Survey** – It was noted that some councillors had already responded to the survey.
- 24/32 Local Government Boundary Review** – **Noted with no comments.**
- 24/33 Parish Council’s current financial position - £18,918.04** – **Noted.**
- 24/34 Requests for payment – Approved:**
- a. Village hall – July meeting - £22.50
- 24/35 Planning applications** (having declared a pecuniary interest, Cllr Johnson left the meeting room for the discussion on this item):
- a. 24/01288/PLF – Budleigh, Main Street - Erection of a self-build detached dwelling following demolition – No objections.
- 24/36 Planning notices** – **Noted.**
- 24/37 Correspondence since the last meeting** – **Noted.**
- 24/38 Councillor Forum:**
- a. Clerk - Email from ERYC – there was to be a 20mph zone trial in the East Riding and towns and parishes were invited to put forward zones to take part in the trial. There was already have a 20mph zone outside the school. **Therefore, the trial was noted but it was agreed the Parish Council would not put a case forward.**
 - b. Cllr Cooper - Town and Parish Council Liaison Meeting – Cllr Cooper gave an update. **Noted.**
 - c. Cllr Johnson – A resident had reported incidents of speeding on Kidd Lane and also stated the school bus was going down Kidd Lane even though ERYC had confirmed it should be using General Lane. The resident had asked the Parish Council for advice on who to contact at ERYC to follow this up. Cllr Thomas said she would provide the details.
 - d. Cllr Kemp – PROW near Sumo – ERYC had confirmed it would not erect a gate across the entryway and that the style had to be removed because the change in route had not been legally approved. **Noted.**
 - e. Cllr Carey – provided an update on his responsibilities as it was the first time he had attended a meeting. **Noted and Cllr Carey thanked for attending.**

The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be 6:30pm on Monday 9 September July 2024.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.