

BYLAND WITH WASS AND OLDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

7:00pm Wass Village Hall

Minutes

Attendees/Apologies

Councillor Peter Williams (PW)
Councillor Christine Bradley (CB)
Councillor John Williams (JW)
Councillor Charles Skeffington (CS)
Councillor Stephen Cain (SC)
Parish Clerk – Hannah Plowman

Signing of Declaration of Acceptance forms

Signed at the start of the meeting

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The Parish Clerk introduced the item.

Cllr. J Williams proposed Cllr. Bradley as Chair, this was seconded by Cllr. Skeffington.

Cllr. Cain proposed Cllr. J Williams as Vice Chair, Seconded by Cllr. Bradley.

The Chair and Vice Chair role is reviewed annually in May.

Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes from the last meeting recorded as a true and fair record.

Matters Arising from previous minutes

- Erection of a parking sign at the crossroads: to direct visitors to the village hall car park
No sign to direct visitors. This is ongoing.
- Slow signs on Wass Bank: There is a sign and a painting on the road. Not easy to see. This remains a danger. Cllr. Cain suggested a sign saying "Danger" similar to Rievaulx.
There was a discussion about the number of deer crossing on the bank.
Discussion around visual impact of the sign.
Action: Parking and warning, more action required.
For information Cllr Cain recommended a deer whistle as a low cost solution to protecting deer from your car and vice versa: [Link to deer whistle](#)
- Lights on Wass Bank and the village hall to ease the parking problem near the cross roads of people visiting the Stapylton Arms
Cllr. P Williams – village hall committee view is that they see the issue is with lighting the pavement to the pub. Committee doesn't see lighting the car park as an issue for the village halls operation.
Action: To continue discussion outside of the Parish Council to agree the action at the Village Hall and on the pavement. Will look at the down lighters.
Action: Consider requesting that the pub make customers aware there is the option to park at the village hall.
- Purchase of a defibrillator in Oldstead

Raised at the Village meeting. Support in the village. Now have to work out the location. Cllr. Bradley advised the unit must not be in the sun. Consider North wall.

- Reports – Cllr. P Williams is investigating 20s Plenty which councillors can view on Zoom and perhaps the idea can go forward to the village meetings.

Cllr P Williams has shared information on the 20s plenty campaign. This is intended to persuade councils to put up 20mph signs in councils. Cllr. P Williams thinks it is a good idea. Cllr. J Williams and Cllr. S Cain raised that it was discussed at the Oldstead meeting. Cllr. P Williams was looking for Parish Council support. There was a further discussion about how enforceable the speed limits are.

The Parish Council support the project and agreed to raise it at the village meeting.

Finance

- Zurich Insurance
Looking to get a cheaper insurance. Looking at small council insurance.
Councillors agreed that the payment can be made up to the quoted amount.
- Zoom expenditure £144 for one year
Available to all councillors to use. Will not be renewed.
- Village Hall accounts dealt with at the last meeting £20,072.59
Cllr. P Williams to provide update on finances.
- Parish Council finance update
- Annual Governance Statement
Signed by the new Chair Cllr. Bradley

Planning

Last meeting two applications processed.

No objections.

Matters to be discussed

- Archiving the parish council records
Councillors archived older information.
Considering where to store the information going forwards.

Correspondence

- Riponian information – circulated for information, Parish Clerk responded to say there were no objections.