

**MINUTES OF THE BYLAND WITH WASS AND OLDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019**

**1. ATTENDEES**

Cllr.P. Gilruth. Cllr. R. Statham. Cllr. C. Bradley. Cllr. H. Metcalfe. Mrs. J. Clarke (clerk).

**2. APOLOGIES**

Cllr. P. Gibson

**3. NOMINATION OF CLLR. R. STATHAM AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Cllr. P. Gilruth informed the meeting that he was stepping down from the position of chairperson of the Parish Council and proposed that Cllr. Statham should take up this position. Cllr. Metcalfe seconded this proposal.

Cllr. Statham will take up the role of chairperson of the Parish Council immediately.

Cllr. Statham thanked Cllr. Gilruth on behalf of Wass for his commitment and outstanding work for the village. Cllr. Metcalfe offered thanks to Cllr. Gilruth on behalf of the residents of Oldstead.

**4. MINUTES**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> January were accepted as a true record and signed by Cllr. Gilruth.

## **5. MATTERS ARISING**

### **5.1. PARISH PORTAL**

Mrs. Clarke informed the meeting that the NYCC Highways Department have simplified the system for reporting faults on the highways. She has been notified that all the Byland with Wass and Oldstead councillors have registered on this system so that faults can be reported with a photograph if necessary (from a smart phone). However, Mrs. Clarke is to check that all councillors have registered.

### **5.2. TELEPHONE KIOSK**

Cllr. Bradley said that supplying bags for dog owners to remove and dispose of their pets' excrement has worked well. Cllr. Bradley and Mrs. J. Marchant have agreed to clean the telephone kiosk before Open Garden day.

### **5.3. FINANCE**

#### **5.3.1. BALANCE**

Mrs. Clarke informed the meeting that the balance stands at £5275.74

#### **5.3.2. ANNUAL RETURN**

The Annual Return prepared by Mrs. Clarke was circulated to the Parish councillors. Cllr. Bradley proposed that this was correct and the motion was seconded by Cllr. Metcalfe.

The relevant sections were signed by Cllr. Gilruth.

## **6. PLANNING**

### **MELROSE COTTAGE, WASS.**

No objections were raised by the Parish Council for the creation of a new drive.

## **7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **7.1. VILLAGE HALL ACCOUNT**

Cllr. Gilruth informed the meeting that the account stands at £14, 295.28. The balance sheet (given to Mrs. Clarke) will be filed with the financial records of the Parish Council.

### **7.2. VILLAGE WEBSITE.**

Cllr. Bradley outlined a scheme to set up a website for Wass which would hold information relevant to Wass – for example, dates of Parish Council meetings, church services, Open Garden Day.

Cllr. Statham and Cllr. Gilruth agreed that it would be a good idea but that it was a village matter, not a Parish Council matter.

## **8. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The Parish Council will meet on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30 p.m. The precept for the following year will be decided on this date.

Jenny Clarke

Parish clerk