

At a Meeting of  
**WHORLTON AND WESTWICK  
PARISH COUNCIL**

On Tuesday 21st February 2017, 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllr George Stastny (Chairman), Cllr Lucy Hoskyns-Abrahall, Cllr Ian Wilkinson, Cllr Martin Saville, Cllr Roger Foster, Cllr Trevor Honeyman

**Apologies:** Cllr Colin Cummins

**Clerk:** Jonathan Dickinson

**Members of the public at the meeting:**

Members of the public were in attendance.

**The Chairman invited public comments:**

There were comments in relation to the need for a bus stop at the junction with the A67.

**1 Interests**

No interests were declared.

**2 Minutes of Meeting 17.01.2017**

The minutes were approved, and the Chairman signed the minutes.

**3 Danshell Transaction – Choosing Solicitors for Completion**

The Clerk presented a list of competing quotes for the contract of completing the transaction with Danshell. This would include advising on the TP1, performing a pre-completion search, completing, and registering the transaction with the Land Registry.

RESOLVED: that the Parish Council instruct Tilly Bailey Irvine to act on behalf of the Parish Council.

**4 Repair to Pub Access – Selection of Contractor**

The Clerk presented a list of competing quotes for the contract of repairing the access to the pub across the village green. The Clerk has been advised that this work is urgent now, from the point of view of safety and risk of injury.

RESOLVED: that the Parish Council instruct Paul Ryman to repair the access.

**5 Transparency Fund – Approval of Application**

The Clerk presented to the meeting the application to the transparency fund.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk be authorised to submit the application.

**6 Grasscutting Tenders – Selection of Contractor**

The Clerk presented a list of competing quotes for the contract of cutting the grass on the village green.

RESOLVED: that the Parish Council instruct Mill Gardens to carry on performing this work, at the same rate as last year.

**7 Elections Training Session - authorisation for clerk to be given training**

RESOLVED: that the Parish Council authorise the Clerk to receive training for the forthcoming elections.

**8 Protection of Village Green near Whorlton Hall**

Councillor Wilkinson proposed that the bollards around the village green be upgraded. There would be 12 new bollards at various points around the village green, but with a particular focus on the corners on the eastern side. The bollards would be set in concrete. He had obtained a quote from Keith Brown for £450. Some councillors advised that this might put unnecessary pressure on cashflow, and recommended that it be delayed.

RESOLVED: that the Parish Council instruct Keith Brown to carry out this project in the summer months.

**9 Planning applications arising at late notice**

There were none.

**10 Cheques**

A cheque was authorised and signed for Paul Ryman.

**11 Matters not requiring a resolution**

There were none.

**12 Resolution to exclude the public and press, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, for Agenda item number 13, in that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.**

RESOLVED: that the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting, being item 13.

**13 Legal proceedings with Carter**

The Councillors considered the recent court order, and the offer of another meeting with Carter. The Clerk was authorised to instruct Wellers Hedley to begin complying with the court order.

RESOLVED: that the same councillors accompany the clerk to meet with Carter again.

**Date for the next Parish Council Meeting:**

21<sup>st</sup> March 2017

There being nothing further to discuss the meeting closed at 8pm.

21<sup>st</sup> March 2017, Chair .....