

Bilsdale Midcable Parish Council

Draft Minutes of Meeting held 2nd March 2022 – Chop Gate Village Hall

Present: Cllrs M Bowes, J Smith, and M Roberts

In attendance: Clerk C Goodall, County Cllr Bryn Griffiths, and Pearl Johnson.

1. Apologies for absence received from Parish Cllr Frank Auffret, District Cllr R Kirk, District Cllr R Hudson
2. No conflicts of interest were noted.
3. The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd November 2021 were agreed as a true and correct record.
4. New website design – the new website is now live due to the efforts and time given by Cllr Frank Auffret. A collective thank you was given. It was noted that some links need to be added RESOLVED – PC members to discuss and add links onto the website.
5. Parish elections – Parish Council elections are set for Thursday May 5th. The Parish Candidate packs are available for collection at Northallerton. Cllr Malcolm Bowes offered to collect them on 9th March. An online document “Becoming a Parish Councillor” was issued to the Clerk, which was agreed to be added onto the website, allowing members of the public access to the information.
6. Vacancy of Clerk to BMPC – no progress has been made in filling the role due to become vacant in May 2022. It was agreed to advertise the role with YLCA. RESOLVED – Clerk to contact YLCA and submit poster advert.
7. Jubilee committee – Cllr Jenny Smith gave an update on the voluntary group organising the Queens Jubilee celebrations. The “Big Jubilee Lunch” celebrations are to be held on Sunday 5th June at Chop Gate Village Hall. While fundraising may cover the cost of the event, this is uncertain. RESOLVED that the PC should guarantee up to £500 of expenditure on this event.
8. Police Report – the report was received from North Yorkshire Police covering January and February 2022 showing no serious crimes committed in the period.
9. Awareness of speeding in Bilsdale – the Cllrs were given an update from Cllr Marc Roberts regarding progress of a draft proposal being created to target possible traffic calming cameras on the B1257 through Bilsdale. The report will be distributed to all PC members as soon as the draft is finished. To be monitored.
10. Highways – Clerk to follow up the concerns regarding the verges, Raisdale blocked drains and the narrow footpath on the side of the B1257 in the village.
11. Assets – After an inspection of the bench in Chop Gate it was found the seat is rotten in numerous places and it will therefore be removed. A replacement will be discussed in the future. The noticeboard repairs in Fangdale Beck are still outstanding.

12. Finance –

The projected forecast up to April 2022 was presented.

No further costs had come out the bank account since the last bank statement.

After adding in the expense of the Jubilee donation the forecast figures show the Parish Council to be financially sound.

13. NYMNP planning applications –

NYM/2022/0047 Urra Farm Cottage, Urra, Chop Gate. Application to convert barn outbuildings into a domestic dwelling - it was confirmed that the Parish Council had no objections.

14. Bilsdale mast progress - Second temporary mast is now live. The Dale has still got an ongoing mobile reception problem that is affecting everyone in Bilsdale. RESOLVED - Councillor Malcolm Bowes to contact Cellnex to highlight the issue and ask for information on progress.

15. The date of the next meeting is confirmed as Wednesday 11th May 2022 to be held in the village hall at 7.00pm.

C Goodall

Clerk to Bilsdale Midcable Parish Council