

## ANSTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LAND & PROPERTY COMMITTEE HELD AT THE PARISH HALL, 15A RYTON ROAD, NORTH ANSTON ON THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022

**Present:** Councillors Kevin Pearson (Chairman), Shaun Concannon, Diane Graham, Clive Jepson, Philip Matthews and Marie Wilkinson.

**In Attendance:** Chris Pilkington (Clerk) and three members of the public.

#### **1.22 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr Pearson be the Chairman of the Committee for the 2022/2023 Council year.

#### **2.22 APOLOGIES**

None.

#### **3.22 DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS**

**(a) TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 31 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT INTERESTS UNDER THE MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

None.

**(b) TO RECEIVE AND DECIDE UPON REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS TO COUNCILLORS TO TAKE PART IN DISCUSSIONS AND VOTES WHERE THEY HAVE DECLARED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None.

#### **4.22 IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR THE EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**RESOLVED:** That the press and public be excluded for the consideration of agenda items 8(a), 10(a) and 10(b) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.

#### **5.22 SOUTH ANSTON CEMETERY**

##### **(a) PROPOSED ROADWAY THROUGH CEMETERY**

The Clerk spoke to his briefing paper explaining why leaving a gap in the cemetery for a roadway was unlikely to be needed given the land likely to be acquired from one or other neighbouring landowner for a cemetery extension. Dispensing with the idea of a roadway would free up more space for burials.

**RESOLVED:** That the idea of the proposed roadway be dropped and the area set aside for it now be used for burials.

**(b) REPAIRS TO PATHWAY**

The Clerk reported that the pathway through the cemetery would benefit from repairs. A discussion took place as to whether the slabs should be re-laid or the paths tarmacked.

**RESOLVED:** That quotes be obtained for repairs to the path both on a re-laying basis and for tarmacking them.

**(c) COVID-19 MEMORIAL PLAQUE**

The Clerk reported that he was obtaining costings from Beecrofts for a suitable plaque for the memorial wall.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Committee.

**(d) REQUEST TO REPLACE A MEMORIAL BENCH**

The Clerk explained the circumstances around a request to replace a memorial bench at the cemetery.

**RESOLVED:** That the request be granted.

**(e) CEMETERY OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2022**

The Clerk explained the merits of applying to join the annual cemetery of the year competition.

**RESOLVED:** That the Council not enter the competition.

**6.22**

**ALLOTMENTS**

**(a) LATEST INSPECTION OF THE ALLOTMENTS**

The Clerk explained that formal inspections of the allotments needed to take place.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk and Cllr Concannon inspect the allotments accompanied by a plot holder from North Anston to inspect the South Anston site and one from the latter to inspect the former.

**(b) VACANT ALLOTMENT PLOTS**

The Clerk updated members on the current number of vacant plots.

**RESOLVED:** That the update be noted.

**(c) WAITING LIST**

The Clerk updated members on the number of people currently on the waiting list.

**RESOLVED:** That the update be noted.

#### **(d) REVIEW OF RENTAL RATES**

The Clerk reported that he had gathered some information to inform the review of rental rates.

**RESOLVED:** That further information be obtained before the rates were reviewed.

#### **(e) REVIEW OF MODEL TENANCY AGREEMENT**

The Clerk reported that he was gathering materials to inform the review of the model tenancy agreement.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update presented to the next meeting of the Committee.

#### **(f) ANNUAL ALLOTMENTS COMPETITION**

The Clerk stated that members might want to reinstate the annual allotments competition.

**RESOLVED:** That the competition be reinstated in 2023 with information to go out with the annual rental and invoice mailing that year with details of the competition to be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

### **7.22**

#### **RECREATION GROUNDS**

##### **(a) ADDITIONAL PITCH AT CROWGATE RECREATION GROUND**

The Clerk spoke to his report and the request from the football club currently using the adult pitch for a junior pitch to be installed.

**RESOLVED:** That in principle a junior pitch be installed and costings for the installation and maintenance of an additional pitch be obtained from RMBC and those costings taken to the next meeting of the Finance Committee or full Council as appropriate.

##### **(b) MOUND AT CROWGATE RECREATION GROUND**

Members discussed the mound at the Crowgate Recreation Ground.

**RESOLVED:** That the weeds on the mound cut back and tidied up.

##### **(c) RENEWAL OF PLAY EQUIPMENT AT LOCKWOOD AND WHITEGATES RECREATION GROUNDS**

The Clerk updated members on the renewal of the play equipment at Lockwood and Whitegates Recreation Grounds.

**RESOLVED:** That the update be noted and a further update brought to the next meeting of the Committee.

**(d) FENCING AROUND PLAY AREAS AT LOCKWOOD AND WHITEGATES RECREATION GROUNDS**

The Clerk reported that the possibility of fencing off the play areas at Lockwood and Whitegates had been raised by several people.

**RESOLVED:** That RMBC be contacted for guidance as to whether fencing was required and quotes be obtained for such fencing.

**(e) REPAIRS TO BOUNDARY FENCING AT LOCKWOOD RECREATION GROUND**

The Clerk explained that the Council had co-operated with a neighbouring landowner to remove vegetation along the boundary line and that the landowner has installed new fencing along the line. This would prevent dogs accessing either piece of land and made the area look more visually presentable.

**RESOLVED:** That the repairs to the fencing be noted.

**8.22**

**VILLAGE GREENS**

**(b) LINDRICK GREEN**

The Clerk reported a possible encroachment issue at Lindrick Village Green.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Committee.

**9.22**

**BUILDINGS**

**(a) ADDITIONAL ASBESTOS SAMPLE AT OLD LIBRARY**

The Clerk reported that he was arranging for an additional asbestos sample to be taken at the Old Library to establish whether there was any within the roof area.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Committee.

**(b) REPAIRS TO OLD LIBRARY BUILDING**

The Clerk explained that he was arranging for repairs required to the building to be undertaken.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Committee.

**10.22**

**FIELDS AND OPEN SPACES**

**(c) WATER SUPPLY TO RACKFORD MEADOW**

The Clerk reported that this matter was still to be progressed.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Committee.

**(d) GRASSCUTTING REGIME ON THE BAULK**

The Clerk reported that concerns had been raised about the RMBC grasscutting regime of The Baulk.

**RESOLVED:** That RMBC be asked to cut the generality of The Baulk on a more regular basis but leave a dedicated area for wildflowers to grow.

**(e) PROVISION OF PLANTERS AND/OR FLOWER BEDS ON TURNER'S TRIANGLE**

**RESOLVED:** That a Spring display of flowers be put in place on Turner's Triangle.

**11.22 DISCUSSION OF ITEMS FOR WHICH THE PRESS AND PUBLIC HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED**

**AGENDA ITEM 8(a) NORTH ANSTON VILLAGE GREEN**

The Clerk updated members on issues relating to the management of the village green.

**RESOLVED:** That this be noted and an update provided to the next meeting of the Committee.

**AGENDA ITEM 10(a) STABLING OF HORSES ON HODKINS FIELD**

The Clerk spoke to the recommendation set out in his briefing paper.

**RESOLVED:** That the recommendation be accepted.

**AGENDA ITEM 10(b) COMMUNITY ORCHARD ON HODKINS FIELD**

The Clerk spoke to the information contained in his briefing paper.

**RESOLVED:** That the idea not be progressed for the time being.

**12.22 ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That hedges along Rackford Meadow be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee.

**13.22 DATES AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the next meeting of the Land & Property Committee take place on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7pm at the Parish Hall, 15a Ryton Road, North Anston.

Chris Pilkington PSLCC  
Clerk to Anston Parish Council  
29<sup>th</sup> September 2022

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