



Molescroft

Parish Council

Minutes of the Molescroft Parish Council Meeting held at 7:00 pm, Thursday 21st March 2024, at the Molescroft Pavilion.

Present

Councillors: M. Hildyard (Chairman), M. Fleming (Vice Chair), E. Aird, M. Yates, P. Lockyer, M. Pinder.

Clerk to Council: Mrs Laura George.

Ward Councillor: L. Johnson

Molescroft Wildlife Network: Karyn Murby.

2833. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Burrows, Coates and Needham.

2834. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

2835. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 15th February 2024 meeting had been circulated and were approved as a true record of proceedings.

2836. Matters Arising (All)

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes not already covered elsewhere in the agenda.

2837. Action Log (All)

The action log for March 2024 was presented with updates; work continues in the remaining areas.

2838. Molescroft Wildlife Network

Karyn Murby attended to provide an update on the progress of current projects. Following a donation from the Parish Council last year the hedgehog projects are expanding and interest in the Hedgehog Highway Project event at the Pavilion on 6th April is high.

2839. Update from Ward Councillor

Councillor Johnson was in attendance and provided updates, noting the following:

- Pighill amenity area – no further updates as there is currently a vacancy for the Director of Planning & Environment at ERYC.
- Woodhall Park planting – Dominic Boynton, Project Manager Grounds and Forestry at ERYC, has agreed to tidy up the area and re-plant. Cllr Johnson will follow this up to establish when this will be done.
- The new cycle path on Grange Way should be completed in the next six weeks.
- The question of the erection of broadband poles is still under negotiation.
- The budget recently passed by ERYC included a small ward budget to be spent locally.

2840. Correspondence Received/Actioned (Clerk)

The Clerk presented a range of correspondence items received since the last Parish Council meeting. These items were for information, action, consultation, and response. The Clerk advised that where possible responses had been provided to the agencies/people in question. A discussion took place in relation to the items of key correspondence received and direction given by Council. The following items were discussed:

- Email received from Pavilion hirer thanking the Parish Council for installing air conditioning in the Parish Room ahead of the summer.
- Emails received from various members of the public regarding resistance of the installation of broadband poles and boycott of related services. This was discussed under item 2839.

2841. Payment of Accounts (Clerk)

The Clerk updated the Council regarding current payments for March 2024. Payments made for March 2024 were £15,592.26. The following payments were noted:

- Delta Security - £1,056.00 – Pavilion alarm system maintenance.
- Beaver Electrical Contractors - £1,751.14 – electrics for installation of new aircon system.
- Airco - £1,773.36 – deposit for installation of new aircon system.
- Marsh Commercial - £2,074.70 – insurance renewal.

The accounts were agreed for payment and the Chairman and Clerk (Responsible Financial Officer) signed the payment schedule as a correct record.

2842. Finance Committee Report

Councillor Pinder provided feedback from meetings of the Finance Committee to discuss the Interim Internal Audit Report and related recommendation list.

2843. Interim Internal Audit Report

Cllr Pinder proposed a meeting of the whole council be arranged for the auditor to attend and discuss the interim internal audit report – all agreed. Clerk to contact Internal Audit Yorkshire to arrange.

2844. ERNLLCA Membership

The Clerk advised that following the interim internal audit report, membership of ERNLLCA has been recommended, and provided a quote for the cost of membership for 2024/25. Cllr Pinder proposed the PC agree to join, Councillor Aird seconded the proposal – all agreed. Clerk to follow up.

2845. Planning Applications (Clerk)

The Clerk advised that all planning applications received had been shared with Councillors for comment. All comments received had been submitted to ERYC within the required timescales.

35 New Walk	Erection of porch to front, dormer window to rear, conversion of garage to habitable accommodation with associated alterations, construction of detached double car port with shed to side.	18 th March 2024	No objections.
35 The Paddock	Erection of single storey extension to side, installation of rooflight and bi-fold doors to rear, following part demolition of existing garage and	20 th March 2024	No objections.

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35 Northfield Road	Erection of single storey extension to rear, following demolition of single storey element.	27 th March 2024	<i>The Parish Council has some concerns about the enclosing effect of the blank wall and the loss of sunlight in the afternoons.</i>
8 Woodhall Drive	Erection of extension to side following demolition of existing garage to side.	3 rd April 2024	No objections.
Molescroft Farm Childrens Nursery	Erection of a Children's Play Barn in connection with existing Nursery Business and change of use of agricultural land to create an outside play space with associated parking and infrastructure following demolition of existing agricultural buildings, barn, and horse walker.	3 rd April 2024	<i>The Parish Council would like to see more landscaping included in the plans and suitable screening on the North and West boundaries.</i>

2846. Leap Year Lunch (Cllr Yates)

Councillor Yates provided an update on the event held at the end of February. The lunch was well attended and extremely well received, with positive feedback received from attendees after the event. The final cost came in under budget and was funded by the Parish Council. Thanks were formally noted to the band The Four Horsemen, who provided fantastic entertainment free of charge. Formal thanks were also noted to Councillors Yates, Aird, Lockyer, Burrows, Pinder and Hildyard for organising and supporting the event. Another similar event is now being planned for January 2025. Following the event, it was discussed and agreed that some new equipment could be purchased for the benefit of future events, as well as being used by Molescroft Pavilion Seniors. The Chairman proposed the purchase of a small PA system – all agreed. Cllr Hildyard to follow up. Councillor Lockyer proposed the purchase of a small trolley – all agreed. Cllr Lockyer to follow up.

2847. Molescroft Primary School Disabled Toilet (Cllr Lockyer)

Councillor Lockyer provided plans for building work for the project. The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council has previously agreed to donate to fund the building work due to the PC's responsibility of the Parish Centre.

2848. Dispensation to be granted under s 81 (1) Local Government Act 1972 re: councillor non-attendance due to ill health.

The Parish Council noted the requirements of the Local Government Act 1972 and Cllr Pinder confirmed that the council are unable to grant a dispensation due to the six-month period that has already passed. It was agreed that the councillor in question can apply for co-option when suitable.

2849. Appointment of New Councillors

The Chairman advised that there are currently three vacancies for councillors and proposed that the Clerk advertise these vacancies through ERYC. All agreed, Clerk to follow up.

2850. Feedback from meetings attended (All)

The Chairman attended an online meeting with the office of Graham Stuart MP, during which suggestions were discussed as to how £168 million pounds that will be received by the East Riding over the next seven years should be spent on transport issues.

2851. Items for next agenda (All)

Cllr Pinder – Committee memberships for 2024/25.

Actions noted:

- Clerk to contact Internal Audit Yorkshire to arrange meeting, ref. item 2843.
- Clerk to complete ERNLLCA membership, ref. item 2844.
- Cllr Hildyard to investigate purchase of PA system, ref. item 2846.
- Cllr Lockyer to investigate the purchase of trolley, ref. item 2846.
- Clerk to advertise councillor vacancies through ERYC, ref. item 2849.

The Chairman closed the meeting 21:00.

Minutes produced by: Laura George, Clerk. Date: 22nd March 2024.

Signed.....(Chairman)

AGREED