



# Molescroft

## Parish Council

### Minutes of the Molescroft Parish Council Meeting held at 7:00 pm, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023, at the Molescroft Pavilion.

#### Present

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

Clerk to Council: Mrs Laura George.

Ward Councillor: N/A

1x member of the public.

#### 2781. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Lockyer & Heffer.

#### 2782. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

#### 2783. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 meeting had been circulated and were approved as a true record of proceedings.

#### 2784. Matters Arising (All)

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

#### 2785. Action Log (All)

The action log for December 2023 was presented with updates; work continues in the remaining areas.

#### 2786. Update from Ward Councillor

There was no Ward Councillor present.

#### 2787. Amenity Area Buffer Strip/Pighill Lane Update

The Parish Council has been asked for their position regarding the amenity/ buffer strip in Pighill Lane, Molescroft. It was resolved that the committee reiterates its view that the land should have been adopted in accord with the previous agreement at the time Beverley Drive was granted planning permission. No explanation has been given as to why the land was not adopted. Despite previous meetings with officers of East Riding Council in 2016, as a result of complaints of tree felling and a subsequent meeting in August 2023, no conclusions have been reached.

If the land was brought into public use this council would carry out maintenance under Special Expenses. The responsibility lies with the owners and East Riding of Yorkshire Council as planning authority. No action has been taken in respect of outstanding enforcement. The Parish Council will

consider any alternative proposals for the site put forward by the owners of the site which meet our objectives.

**2788. Molescroft Wildlife Network**

A representative of Molescroft Wildlife Network attended and provided an update on the progress of their projects. The update was well received and the PC continue to support the group.

**2789. 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 a member of the public regarding access to a salt bin stored at the Pavilion and is kept behind a locked gate. The Clerk responded clarifying the situation; the bin is owned and maintained by the Parish Council and is only for use on the Pavilion footpaths and car park. The Clerk also contacted ERYC requesting that bin is removed from public database to prevent any confusion. Further sites for grit bins will be investigated.

**2790. Payment of Accounts (Clerk)**

Due to the change of date of the Parish Council meeting, the Clerk was able to present only a partial payment schedule for December 2023 so far. As previously agreed, approval of the accounts will be delegated to the Chairman and Vice Chair – the Clerk to produce a full payment schedule at the usual time, to be approved before payment.

**2791. Finance Sub-Committee Report**

Councillor Pinder provided an update from the Finance Sub-Committee meeting held earlier in the month, and reported on recommendations made by the committee.

Cllr Pinder proposed the following motions to council:

- A. That the council shall suspend its financial regulations in relation to levels of reserves pending the completion of the internal audit for the year 23/24 and the recommendations of the Internal Auditor.
- B. That the finance sub-committee shall review draft Financial Regulations based on the NALC Model Standing Orders & Financial Regulations for Councils (2018 Edition) together with the findings and recommendations of the Internal Auditor and present these to full council for approval and adoption before the commencement of the new financial year 24/25.

Councillor Aird seconded the proposals, all agreed.

**2792. Budget Setting 2024/25**

The Clerk presented a Revenue Budget Consultation document for Council considerations, which had been discussed and agreed at the Finance Sub-Committee meeting. All approved the proposed budget.

**2793. Scale of Fees and Charges 2024/25**

The Clerk presented an outline of suggested increases to Fees and Charges for 2024/25, as previously discussed at the Finance Sub-Committee meeting. All approved the proposed increases.

**2794. Precept Setting 2024/25**

The Clerk presented papers detailing an outline of precept calculations, as discussed at the Finance Sub-Committee meeting, and for consideration of the Council. Based on significant increases in energy costs, Cllr Aird proposed an increase of 3.84%. Cllr Pinder seconded the proposal. All agreed.

**2795. 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.

Hare House & Mouse Cottage 27A & 27C Church Road	Conversion and change of use of existing redundant substation to additional living accommodation, and erection of first floor extension to Hare House, 27a Church Road; and erection of single storey extension to rear and construction of pitched roof over existing dwelling to Mouse Cottage, 27c Church Road.	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	<i>No objections.</i>
14 The Hollies	Erection of two storey extension to side.	21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	<i>No objections.</i>
White Walls 1 Old Court TPO	Fell 20 no. Conifer trees due to undesirable form, poor management options going forward, and lighting issues for neighbouring properties.	27 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	<i>No objections.</i>
Brimley Lodge 27 Molescroft Road	Change of use from single dwelling to mixed use comprising of dwelling and office, erection of two storey extension to side, and installation of rooflights to front and rear.	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	<i>No objections.</i>
Molescroft Carr Farm TPO	Crown reduce 3 no. Poplar trees (G01) to 16 metres above ground level to reduce wind loading on recently exposed canopies and reduce secondary branches as highlighted. Minimise branch shedding onto access to Carr Farm and adjacent properties from Carr Road.	5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	<i>No objections.</i>

**2796. Leap Year Lunch**

Councillor Yates provided an update on plans for the community lunch being held in February 2024.

**2797. Feedback from meetings attended (All)**

No further feedback was provided.

**2798. Items for next agenda (All)**

Cllr Yates – Leap Year Lunch – to provide update on planning of the event.

**The Chairman closed the meeting 20:30.**

**Minutes produced by: Laura George, Clerk. Date: 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

Signed.....(Chairman)