

South Milford Parish Council Monthly Ordinary Meeting Parish Councils Act, 1894

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of South Milford Parish Council held at 7.30pm on
Tuesday 29th March 2022

1. Apologies and welcome all Councillors

Attending: Cllrs Gore (chair), Gigg, Shaw, Diamond, Faria Dean, Brooksbank
Apologies from Cllrs Houston, Donnelly, Grogan
Plus 6 residents

2. Declarations of Disclosure Pecuniary and Other Interests – none

3. To approve Minutes from Monthly Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 22nd February 2022. Proposed Cllr Gigg seconded Cllr Shaw.

4. SDC Updates – Cllr Grogan

Cllr Gore passed on the following updates from Cllr Grogan:

- SDC is against default 20mph speed limits on every residential street
- Confirmation of the £3k grant for Vehicle Activated signage. Forms to sign tonight.
- Low Street blocked road incident – Cllr Grogan has been in touch with the Police and Police Commissioner to complain about this. Zoe Metcalfe has apologised but not responded officially. Cllr Grogan going to speak to the Drama School.

A resident reported that the situation is getting worse. Cars are now parking on the pavement and stopping people using them. Do the Cumin Lounge need more signs? Cllr Diamond to find the parking permits paperwork. Perhaps invite our local neighbourhood policeman (Dion) along to a meeting to discuss?

5. Updates from areas of responsibility, other meetings, and correspondence

- Park
 - any maintenance updates – Rospa repairs.
Finding it very difficult to get quotes. After discussion it was agreed to go with the HAGS quote. They have been very competitive before.
Separately, the recent HAGS invoice for the new adventure play equipment does not need to be paid yet (hold until Parks Committee say otherwise).
- Football club
 - update in respect of lease and Swancroft involvement – **Cllr Faria Dean to chase.**
- Update on paths
 - correspondence with NYCC and associated press release – **meeting organised with NYCC organised for 4 April.**
 - letters to landowners re Turpin Lane, seeking their consent for walkers to previous established route along Turpin Lane – **The Councillors reviewed the correspondence with Mr J Blackburn and Mr R Batty, who own sections of Turpin Lane near Milford Grange. Both authorised members of the public to walk on their sections of Turpin Lane. Additionally, the Councillors noted that Mr A Bradley had also authorised the use of his small section by walkers in informal communications. The Councillors thanked Mr Blackburn, Mr Batty, and Mr Bradley, and asked the members of the public to be civil and considerate at all times; to keep dogs on a lead to prevent interference with wildlife and damage to crops; and to pick up dog mess, noting that it is an offence punishable with a fine if it is not.**
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- Update on Parish Council purchasing flashing speeding sign(s) for the village. Letter from SDC re community funding for this. **Paperwork now signed and will be sent out.**
- Any updates parking issues on Low Street near the Cumin Lounge - **see SDC updates above.**
- Old Quarry (wooded area off Westfield Lane) – update on proposed improvements – **no updates at present.**
- Allotments – consideration of possible sites and discuss the email from the Church regarding current allotments and local land. **The Church are no longer taking names to add to the waiting list for allotments. Cllr Gore to speak to local landowner about possible sites.**
- Trains – proposed May 2022 timetable – **Cllr Gore reported that unfortunately this as gone back to trains every two hours (hopefully more at rush hour), and that he has lobbied Selby Rail Users Group and the MP to challenge Northern Rail about this.**
- Items only to be discussed if any meaningful updates:
 - South Milford Against Flooding – any updates - **nothing**
 - Sherburn Aero Club – any recent complaints – **nothing**

6. Items for discussion including further Actions, Proposals and Votes

- Seek approval for any urgent Park works / maintenance – **see ROSPA repairs under item 5**
- Proposed sensory garden update and decisions
 - **An update from the 26 February meeting with Park Committee was provided**
 - **Update from Park Committee meeting on 21 March was provided, noting that the Park Committee voted unanimously against the sensory garden in the proposed location near the MUGA**
 - **The Councillors heard the concerns from residents about the proposed sensory garden, namely about visitors to the sensory garden overlooking on their property and whether the sensory garden could increase the risk of flooding to neighbouring properties. The Councillors explained that the planting scheme could be designed so that residents' privacy is respected and that the Environment Agency had confirmed that the sensory garden will not increase the risk of flooding if any development is a minimum 8 meters from the beck, which is the plan.**
 - **A Park Committee member attending the meeting proposed that a working party with representation from the Park Committee and Parish Council could be formed with the goal of proposing a plan to improve the area east of the MUGA for consideration by the Parish Council. The deadline for proposing this plan is the end of April. One of the options is the dementia-friendly sensory garden as proposed by the Parish Council, which Cllr Shaw has designed and secured funding in the value of £28,200 from the Caird Peckfield Community Fund. Cllr de Faria Dean will write the terms of reference to the working party. Cllrs Gigg and Diamond will be part of this working party, and resident Cherry Waters also agreed to be part of the working party. All parties agreed with this.**
 - **It was also agreed that a public consultation regarding a proposed sensory garden at the park should be drafted and form part of a wider Parish Council newsletter, with the aim being to finalise and circulate this in early May. Cllr de Faria Dean will prepare the first draft of the newsletter.**
- North Yorkshire's 20's Plenty campaign – councillors to vote on the following questions:

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- Do you see a need, or believe there would be a material benefit, in having 20mph speed limits on all residential streets within the parish?
- **A vote was taken to see if SMPC support this. 5 No's – 1 Yes. It was therefore agreed not to support the 20s Plenty campaign.**
- **However, there was support for applying for 20mph speed limits particular areas which we believe could benefit from this. To help consider this, we will seek resident views via an article in the newsletter.**

- Vacant land off Common Lane – discussion following solicitor's information and agree next steps. **Cllr Shaw updated the Parish Council of the solicitor's recent advice. It was agreed to add an article regarding this land to our newsletter, to make the public aware of the situation.**

- Possible village Queen's Jubilee celebrations / events – consider Parish Council involvement. **Cllr Shaw agreed to see if there were individual / groups interested in organising an event(s) and act as a co-ordinator if required.**

- Seek approval for quotations to replace certain areas of grass with wildflowers around the parish.

The work and associated quotations from Cllr Faria Dean's email were proposed by Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr Diamond, and all agreed. The quote was as follows:

- **Between BP garage and Lund Syke Lane: Wildflower and grass mix**
 - Cut down existing grassland, rake off/collect grass and dispose offsite.
 - Supply and sow WFG2 Wildflower Mix @ 5g/m2
 - Total £1,515.55 + Vat**
- **Corner of Sand Lane and Westfield Lane: Wildflower and grass mix**
 - Cut down existing grassland, rake off/collect grass and dispose offsite.
 - Supply and sow WFG2 Wildflower Mix @ 5g/m2
 - Total £238.96 + Vat**
- **Corner of Sand Lane and Westfield Lane:**
 - Apply herbicide to existing grass land. Remove dead grassland and dispose offsite.
 - Cultivate existing soil surface.
 - Supply and sow WFG2 Wildflower Mix @ 5g/m2
 - Total £789.55 + Vat**

Additional Maintenance costs:

- Area 3 – Spot spray Weeds twice yearly £295.00 + Vat
- Area 4 – Spot spray Weeds twice yearly £185.00 + Vat
- Area 5 – Spot spray Weeds twice yearly £185.00 + Vat

- Lumby Lamppost – quotation received from NYCC regarding fitting electrics to the column in Lumby for future lighting on the village green. Price quotation £155.00 plus VAT
Proposed Cllr Gigg, seconded Cllr Shaw, and all agreed. Clerk to inform NYCC.

- 2 Scout explorers from South Milford seeking donations to help with a trip to an international Jamboree. **After discussion it was agreed we could not fund this given that it was only involving two individuals. Cllr Brooksbank to draft an email in response to the request.**

- Yr 6 leavers South Milford Primary School – donation towards this event.

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In principle it was agreed to fund up to a similar level as previously (circa £250), but the Clerk is to email and ask for details of the event and want the funding will go towards.

7. Planning – This should include a brief list of all planning applications to be discussed.
Cllrs to briefly outline the application and note any comments regarding the applications:

Planning

- PROPOSAL: Lawful Development Certificate for existing use of land for standing of 27 residential caravans, use of land for standing of 27 vehicles, use of land for standing of 10 portaloos and use of land for storage of hardcore ,road scalping's and gravel
LOCATION: Land at A63-A1 Junction 42, Selby Road, Monk Fryston
[note that site is only partially in our Parish]
We support the observations raised by Monk Fryston Parish Council, and will inform SDC of this.
- PROPOSAL: Over-cladding of hotel, additional car parking spaces, soft-landscaping and external lighting 2022/0198/FUL
LOCATION: South Milford Hotel, Great North Road, South Milford
No objections
- Proposed: Betteras Hill Quarry - to extend the time limits for the completion of landfill and recycling operations
LOCATION: Brotherton Road, Monk Fryston, Leeds, LS25 5HD
[this site is not in our Parish, but we have been approached by Hillam Parish seeking support to its objection to this application]
After discussion it was agreed that we would provide no comments to SDC regarding this application.
- Lumby Mineral Planning Application – any updates?
Cllr Grogan has contacted NYCC re the mineral application but so far nothing has officially been received.

Refused

- Change of use of land to form extension to caravan and camping area, together with associated works (part retrospective) Location: Squires Coffee Bar, Newthorpe Lane, South Milford

Planning Appeal

- APP/N2739/W/21/3289482 Mill Farm, Mill Lane, South Milford LS25 5AG Change of use from horticultural plant nursery to private off leash dog park with fence (retrospective)

8. Finance - To consider and approve forthcoming payments to be made:

- Sherburn Parish Council – monthly grass-cutting fee
- Clerk stipend, paye etc
- YLCA membership £738.00

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- Lumby village green Easter display - £106.56
- HAGS re South Milford Memorial Park new adventure play equipment £29,467.78 (net of VAT amount covered by grant) – **Following advice from the Park Committee that the work has not been completed, the Councillors agreed to withhold payment until the work is completed.**

Other than the HAGS payment, the payments were proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded Cllr Gigg, and all agreed.

9. Communications and Correspondence

Various correspondence from residents – Clerk/Chair to summarise and confirm replies have been sent where needed:

- 20s plenty correspondence
- SDC – Parish Council election
- SDC – members community funding

10. Items for future Agenda

*Each Cllr is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Cllrs are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making. **None raised***

11. Date of next meeting – 26th April 2022

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