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# Fountains Abbey Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.30pm Studley Roger Village Hall.

*The public participation session was not utilised.*

(2019 – 001) **Present** were Cllr Derrick Slater (Chairman), Cllr Jenny Atkinson, Cllr Vic Lawson and Cllr Charles Johnson

(2019 – 002) Also present were David Taylor, Clerk, Cllr Margret Atkinson, there were no members of the public.

(2019 – 003) **Apologies** were received from Cllr Micklefield.

(2019 – 004) No **Declarations of Interest** were received, therefore no dispensations were needed.

(2019 – 005) It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018, having been circulated for consideration beforehand were true and correct records. The Chairman signed them accordingly.

(2019 – 006) Cllr Margaret Atkinson **reported** on the following from North Yorkshire County Council:-

- a. NYCC continues to have funding problems. Money from Central government is short and the Council is having difficulties making ends meet during this budgeting period. As a result the council tax rate is to be increased by 2.9% across the board.
- b. Education costs across the county continue to rise. Cllr Atkinson noted that children and young people with special educational needs can get help with transport to school or college. A door-to-door service is provided only in specific circumstances. These costs can be up to £39k per child per annum.
- c. There is an increase in children identified as having SEND needs across the County.

(2019 – 007) Cllr Margaret Atkinson **reported** on the following from Harrogate Borough Council:-

- a. Harrogate Borough Council have now exceeded the 5 year supply of housing target. The council is still passing planning permission for developments of over 100 housing units.

(2019 – 008) The Clerk **introduced** himself to the meeting and his appointment as Clerk to the Parish Council was confirmed.

(2019 – 009) An employment package was agreed between the Council and the Clerk. It was **resolved** that he will be employed according to the terms and conditions of employment laid out in a National Association Local Councils template. He will be paid the current hourly rate and work 2 hours per week. Should this number of hours be under utilised it will be reviewed over time.

(2019 – 010) There were **no issues** raised from Lindrick Ward or Aldfield Ward.

(2019 – 011) Regarding the installation of the defibrillator in Studley Roger village. It was noted that the unit is in the Clerk's office awaiting installation but requires a special box to mount it in and installation by a qualified electrician. It was **resolved** that the Clerk will

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identify the preferred type of box from the Yorkshire Ambulance Service and try to find further funding for a box and installation.

(2019 – 012) It was **resolved** that the Clerk shall find out how much is due to the Parish Council in Commuted sums.

(2019 – 013) Financial Matters:

- a. There were no accounts to be approved for payment.
- b. A bank reconciliation was not presented.
- c. It was **resolved** to sign the required forms that will enable the banking mandate to be amended.
- d. It was **resolved** that the precept demand for the Parish Council will be £1800.00 for the year 2019 – 2020. The clerk will submit the demand.

(2019 – 014) The following Planning Notices and matters were considered:-

- a. It was **confirmed** that TPO enforcement notice had been received by HBC planning department concerning a property in Studley Roger but at that time no further information was available.
- b. The School House, Aldfield – it was **reported** that the enforcement officer at HBC had reported back to the Parish Council and, in essence considered that there was no cause for further investigation.
- c. It was **resolved** that the Clerk shall write to HBC planning department and ask the legal position of the traveller encampment at How Hill.

(2019– 015) The following Planning Applications were considered:-

- a. 18/04972/DISCON Lawrence House Studley Roger. This was a application for a Discharge of conditions placed o the approved planning order. There were no matters to discuss.

(2019 – 016) **It was confirmed** that the next regular meeting of the Parish Council would be an Ordinary meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30pm at Studley Roger Village Hall.

A schedule of meetings appears at "Appendix A", below

(2018 – 017) The **meeting closed** at 8.15pm

These minutes were recorded and prepared by the Clerk to the Parish Council, David Taylor.

Signed as a true record by Cllr Derrick Slater, Chairman

Date:

At the Regular Meeting of the Fountains Abbey Parish Council held on **13.05.2019** it was resolved by unanimous vote to approve these Minutes, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members, as a true and correct record. These Minutes were then signed by the Chairman accordingly.

**The signed Minutes are held in the Parish Council minute book at the Clerk's address, below, and can be viewed by prior appointment.**

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When returning a standard form Parish Council Notification consultation decision there are four options that the Council can return. These are:-

**Option A** – The Parish Council has no objections.

**Option B** – The Parish Council objects on the planning grounds set out overleaf.

**Option C** – The Parish Council does not object to or support the application but wishes to make comments or seek safeguards set out overleaf.

**Option D** - The Parish Council supports the application.

## **Appendix "A" – Schedule of Forthcoming Meetings of Fountains Abbey Parish Council:**

There will be a Public Participation Session starting at 7.15pm before each meeting and all meetings start at 7.30pm unless otherwise advised.

Meetings are held at Studley Royal Village Hall unless otherwise advised.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019      Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and  
Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019      Regular Meeting

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019   Regular Meeting

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020   Regular Meeting

Extraordinary meetings may be called if required and will be publicised on the Parish Council Website and the usual local noticeboards.