**Scrayingham Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Scrayingham Parish Council Meeting**

**Held on Monday 6th February 2023**

**At 19:00hrs in Leavening Methodist Hall**

**Attendees:**

Phil Jones (Chairman) (PJ)

Jo Booth (Vice Chair) (JB)

Mervyn Stone (MS)

Carolyn Stone (CS)

Stuart Wood (SW)

Nigel Prewett (NH)

Hugo Hildyard (HH)

**Apologies:** None

PJ welcomed all to the meeting and thanked all for attending.

1. **Minutes of previous meetings and actions arising**
2. Minutes of the meeting held on 05/12/22 at 19:00hrs were circulated prior to the meeting, read, and approved by all present at that meeting.
3. **Appointment of new Parish Clerk**
4. Jo Green has resigned as Parish Clerk. Advert for replacement has been placed on the Parish Council website. JB is to advertise further on LinkedIn and will place a notice on the noticeboards. The new recruit does not need to live in Scrayingham and Leppington but does need to be local enough to attend meetings.
5. Jo Green has expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor should a position become available in the future.

**3. Financial Statement/ Audit/ Authorisation of Payments and Subscriptions**

a) Still unable to receive a statement from the bank (Barclays). PJ to visit the bank in person to try to address this.

b) JB to download form from the Barclays website to be added to the mandate.

c) Authorisation of payment for the use of the hall @ £15.00

(Cheque 100233 signed PJ, counter signed MS)

d) Authorisation of payment of YLCA training course attended by JG (Former Clerk to the Parish) @ £25.00

(Cheque 100234 signed PJ, counter signed MS)

e) Authorisation of payment of outstanding wages to JGreen (Former Clerk to the Parish) @ £233.33

(Cheque to be arranged and signed by PJ/ counter signed by MS)

e) Authorisation for purchase of Church Shed (wooden 10x10 @ approx. £900 plus delivery) for storage of lawnmower (Proposed JB Seconded SW) - JB to speak with PCC who are obtaining paving slabs that need to be in place before PC purchase the shed.

**4. Village Improvements**

a) Pond Safety now addressed. Sign and lifebelt have been put up at the pond side.

b) JB to put up the new noticeboard sign in Scrayingham and has measured up the one required for Leppington. Leppington will be installed after the noticeboard renovation has been completed.

c) For further discussion when the improvement works are complete – Would it be a good idea to have Brown Signs and an Info Centre in Scrayingham?

d) Work on Interpretation panels for the George Hudson walk and SEWTS will commence within the next few months.

**5. Highways and Drainage**

a) Speed surveys in Scrayingham have shown that cars passing through the village fall within the acceptable speed limit threshold.

b) Highways have an order in place to fill in the potholes in Scrayingham and have started work at the Grange end of the main road. Highways have also been asked to survey the state of what is known as middle lane. JB to chase the progress on this and the checking of the gullies which has also been requested. PJ to write another letter to Caroline Goodrich to apply some pressure on getting the work completed.

c) Drainage, Scrayingham. JB to follow up status on our previous request for quotes on possible solutions from George Winn-Darley and a date for a meeting to discuss. The pond has provided a partial solution.

**6. Other**

a) Defibrillator pads. JB to check with JG whether replacement pads have been ordered.

b) Printed/ laminated cards are to be distributed to every household with details of the defib codes and first-aid contacts. CS to post these once printed.

**7. Open Forum**

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

**8. AOB**

a) PJ to review letter received from CS/ MS dated 06/02/23 and follow up accordingly.

**9. Date of Next Meeting**

08/05/23 (Annual Meetings)