**Scrayingham Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Scrayingham Parish Council Meeting**

**Held on Monday 18th July 2022**

**At 18:30hrs in Leavening Methodist Hall**

**Attendees:**

Phil Jones (Chairman) (PJ)

Jo Booth (JB) (Vice Chair)

Mervyn Stone (MS)

Carolyn Stone (CS)

Stuart Wood (SW)

Nigel Prewett (NH)

Mrs Jo Green (JG) (Clerk to the Parish)

**Not Present**: Hugo Hildyard

PJ thanked all for attending.

**1. Minutes of Previous Meetings & Actions Arising**

a) The Minutes of the Meetings held on Monday 9th May 2022 were read and approved (subject to amendment to Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Section 2c: Matters Arising to read “application for grant submitted”.)

b) A first aid course has been booked with Yor Training for 1st August 2022 to be held at Westow Cricket Pavilion starting at 6.00pm at a cost of £300 plus hire of the venue at £10.00 per hour. There has been a good uptake for this and thanks have been received from the residents of Scrayingham.

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

a) JB to resubmit bank mandate form as soon as possible. Once this has cleared we should be able to access the bank account for bank statements.

b) **Payments since last meeting have been made to:**

Leavening Reading Room: £45.00 (three meetings, it was noted that the charge has increased from £12.00 to £15.00 a session.

Annual subscription to YLCA: £127.00

(Cheque 100228 signed by PJ, countersigned by MS)

c) **Approved to pay (Proposed PJ, Seconded MS)**

Mr S Day @ £50.00 (Maintenance of Scrayingham Churchyard)

Hire of meeting Room outstanding @ £45.00

Yortraining: @ £300.00 (First Aid Course) + hire of venue @ £25.00

4x Dog waste bins totalling £793.06 (upon receipt of bill from RDC)

Arthur Gallagher Insurance Brokers Premium @ £620.30

Clerk to the Parish wages @ £700.00

d) JG pay and pension were discussed. JG decided to opt out of pension scheme.

**3. Village Improvements & Grants**

a) Dog waste bins now in place in Scrayingham. On the whole, this has been successful, although a minority of dog owners in the village still letting their dogs roam freely. Two bins ordered for Leppington – to be put in situ at agreed sites by RDC very soon.

b) JB reported that we are still waiting for news on grant application. However, due to over-subscribing on funding, we may not get as much as we have applied for. A decision is expected mid/end of August.

**4. Highways & Drainage**

a) There has been no further progress on the state of the roads at Scrayingham.

b) The work to improve drainage in Scrayingham to alleviate flooding during heavy rainfall has stalled following the placement of a Tree Preservation Order, which has required plans to be redrawn. The contact at NYCC, Emily Mallilieu is no longer available. The Senior Manager of the Flood Risk management team at NYCC has taken over her workload and will be in contact with PJ to help to move things forward. PJ will also liaise with Aldby Park Estate and Yorkshire Water. The drain running over land at Mullins Cottage has been inspected and cleaned out by Yorkshire Water. It was agreed that progress cannot be made until a plan has been seen by and agreed with the PC.

**5. Review of Jubilee events & thanks to contributors**

PJ extended thanks to JB and SW and asked them to pass on thanks from the Parish Council to all those involved in the arrangements for the excellent events held in Scrayingham and Leppington over the Platinum Jubilee weekend. The Scrayingham event was held at the old School House, and in Leppington, Mike & Judy Preece kindly hosted proceedings at Ivy House. The provision of great food, music and good cheer was appreciated by all. All agreed that they had been very successful gatherings, despite the weather.

**6. Date & Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 12th September 2022 at 19:00hrs

**7. Future Dates:**

5th December 2022

6th February 2023

8th May 2023 @ 6.30pm (followed by Annual Meeting of the Parish)

4th September 2023

4th December 2023

The meeting closed at 19.10hrs.