

GRINTON & ELLERTON ABBEY PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Grinton and Ellerton Abbey Parish Council held in the Grinton Parish Hall on Monday 6th November 2017 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllr Coates (Chair), Cllrs Barningham and Fletcher-Lee, District Cllr Blows, the Clerk and three members of the public

1. Apologies:

Cllrs Brown, Porter and Barker

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4th September 2017 were read, approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising:

Commons Registration: Correspondence has been received from Chris Stanford at NYCC that the application is proceeding and that the public notices will be in place until 14th November 2017.

Ward Boundary Review: The Boundary Commission has now published the draft recommendations of changes to the RDC wards. The consultation will be on-going until 15th January 2018. Full details of the proposals can be view at www.lgbe.org.uk

Defibrillator: The application to the Area Partnership fund has been successful but due to oversubscription to the scheme this year we have only been awarded £380.80 instead of the £544.00 requested. The Clerk to order the defibrillator cabinet and arrange for its installation.

Area Partnership Meeting: District Cllr Blows gave a brief overview of the recent meeting at which rural primary schools, local housing initiatives and the future of the Friarage hospital were discussed. The issues of charging for public toilets and the cleaning schedules was also raised. Cllr Coates queried with Cllr Blows whether the charges were applicable to disabled toilets as the disabled facilities in Grinton are also the Ladies and that a new lock has been fitted to the door. Cllr Blows will raise the issue with the District Council.

Parish Forum Meeting: Cllr Coates had attended this meeting and gave a brief report of issues discussed including the Hudswell local housing scheme and the National Park Management Plan and Dark Skies status.

4. Correspondence:

RDC:

Parish Precept: Cllr Barningham proposed that the precept for the coming year be set at £2000 again, seconded by Cllr Fletcher-Lee and agreed unanimously.

YDNPA:

YDNPA Management Plan – Annual Forum: The existing management plan runs out in 2018 and is currently under review. The Annual Forum meeting will be held at Ingleton on 23rd November when groups are invited to attend to give their views on the future management of the Park. Cllr Coates may be able to attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

Other:

PFK Littlejohn: The Annual return has now been signed off by the external auditors and is available to view on the parish website.

5. Finance:

Cheques were signed for:

Clerk's wages - £375.00

RBL Poppy Wreath - £18.00

6. Any Other Business:

Superfast Broadband: Cllr Fletcher-Lee raised the issue that although the cable for the superfast broadband passed through the village to Reeth, no-one within Grinton can access the service. A local resident has been lobbying Superfast North Yorkshire and the local MP to include Grinton in their next phased upgrade to the system. The Clerk to write to Rishi Sunak, MP to express the support of the Parish Council to getting the required upgrade as soon as possible.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Monday 8th January 2018