

LOCKTON PARISH COUNCILE mail: locktonpc@gmail.com[Lockton Parish Council website](#)**Minutes of the Meeting of Lockton Parish Council held on 02 October 2023 at 7.30 pm.
Lockton Village Hall, Lockton, Pickering**

	<u>PRESENT</u>
	Chair: Cllr D Tomlinson, Cllr A Warriner, Cllr G Hodgson, Cllr M Bentley, and J Collins (Clerk). Member of the public. Claire Robinson, North Yorkshire Council.
1	Welcome to all
	Cllr Tomlinson welcomed all present to the meeting. Apologies from Cllr J Edenbrow, & Lauren Hopson-Haw (NYC) re EV: to be re-arranged.
2.	Open Forum
	Chair Cllr D Tomlinson requested any points for the Open Forum, this was directed at all present. The member of the public present identified themselves and indicated that they were there to listen to item 6 on the agenda and not ask any questions.
3.	Declaration of interests
	None.
4.	To agree and sign off minutes of the meeting on the 14 August 2023
	Agreed by all and signed off by the Chair Cllr Tomlinson.
5.	Guest Slot – <i>this slot was switched on the agenda with point 6 due to CR running late</i>
	Claire Robinson from North Yorkshire Council was invited to present the new grants available for communities, these grants are to target parish councils, particularly rural ones, to work collaboratively in achieving social cohesion, inclusion, and enterprise. Claire encouraged the various Lockton community groups and the parish council to meet to agree a mutual approach to the grant application. Grants available include for sport, village halls, small business grants and for Churches. Claire offered to help the community shape a strategy, and how best to move forward with an application for funds. JC agreed to write out to all those concerned and suggest a joint meeting.
6.	To receive information on ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary
	This was considered before item 5 so that the member of the public attending would not have to wait an inordinate length of time whilst item 5 was being considered. Furthermore, the guest for item 5 was running late. This would afford the member of the public the opportunity to leave or stay once their item of interest had been dealt with. Formal complaint made from a Lockton resident re the position of the new dog waste bin at the top of the High Street, next to the Stile which leads to the Brow. This was positioned there due to the feedback from residents in the 2023 Parish Plan, and those living in that locality. Parish Council awaiting a formal response from NY Council before agreeing on next action. All comms has been supplied to representatives of NYC. <u>The above notes were from the meeting on the 14 August 2023. New additional notes below:</u> Chair Cllr Tomlinson & the Clerk brought everyone present up to date on the progress of the complaint. All councillors present confirmed that they had responded directly, as requested, to the Monitoring Officer. The Clerk agreed to chase Cllr Edenbrow who was absent due to illness, to confirm that she had also responded. It was noted that no further discussion of the matter was appropriate due to the ongoing formal investigation by the Monitoring Officer at NYC. JC spoke to JE on the 03 October 2023, who confirmed her response would be completed that same evening. JC will confirm this to NYC & ensure all responses have now been received.
7.	Planning applications received
	West View Farm ref: NYM/2023/0367 – Registered PROPOSED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INSTALLATION at 70m North of Existing Mast, Newgate Farm, Lockton, Ryedale, North Yorkshire, YO18 7NT E: 485422 N: 494203. High House, Pasture Lane, Lockton ref: NYM/2023/0524 Land east of Pasture Lane, Lockton ref: NYM/2023/0521
	Actions: JC
8.	Planning decisions received.

	Barr Farm, Saltersgate ref: NYM/2023/0321 – Approved with conditions. Greenways, Lockton ref: NYM/2023/0326 – Approved with conditions. Saltersgate car park, Hole of Horcum ref: NYM/2023/0371 – Approved with conditions.	JC
9.	Finance	
9.1	Latest finance, payments both in & out were presented. Remainder of precept received (£2,500), payments Out include cost of waste bin and re-installation of the bin, approx. £250, Yoga cost of village hall rent (from the grant), grass cutting contractor, @ £350.	JC
9.2	Clerk waiting new poc forms from Barclays, these will be completed asap & returned to the Bank.	JC
9.3	Projection on year end spend, potentially an excess of £1k-1.5k, which may be used on additional tree work needed in the village. New precept/parish council tax for the year 2024/25 to be discussed at the November meeting. JC to add to the next agenda. Quote received for Tree work, agreed to tackle the vegetation issue on the BT line immediately at Box Tree, JC to confirm when this will be done. JC to write out to the Church to share the details of the quote and request a contribution to the costs. Trees overhanging the roadside are a priority. JC to progress the tree works application with the Parks. Cllr Hodgson requested an inspection of work needed to the boundary of the cemetery. JC to organise a further quote.	JC JC JC
10.	Chairman's report/Councillor's information	
10.1	Parish Plan: discussion on priorities and actions/action plan. Items discussed at the last meeting were: <u>Top 5 priorities will be: Vehicle speed in the village. Improvements to village playground. Actions on road drainage. Actions on dog fouling. Encourage more use of the village hall.</u> Following the presentation from Claire Robinson (guest), the parish council agreed to write out to the various community groups, Church, village playground, and village hall to agree a collaborative approach to a grant application with a plan to benefit the whole community and help deliver the Top 5 priorities.	
10.2	Speed initiatives: the parish council has looked at this, and the possibility of a 'gateway' to encourage safe driving through the village. Following a meeting with Highways, and information provided, at this stage it was agreed to monitor the situation of vehicles potentially speeding in the village, however it was not felt that a gateway would be effective in reducing speeds further as there is no evidence from this happening when positioned in other North Yorkshire villages. At this stage, it feels cost-prohibitive for the outlay and possible results (cost of £500-£1,000). Planning would also be needed.	
10.3	Playground report/actions: the report and emails following the Inspection have been forwarded to the playground committee. A response is required with proposed actions. JC to chase if no response is received within the next 7days.	
11.	Clerk's information	
11.1	Grant updates/spreadsheets. Little change since last meeting. Yoga spends left (ringfenced) is circ. £1.5k	
11.2	Village Tree Work, including Box Tree (vegetation on telephone lines). Covered in agenda point 9.3.	
11.3	Ward Parish/NYMNPA meeting updates. Discussed.	
11.4	Donation update. JC confirmed that the agreed amount of £100 has been paid to Citizens Advice.	
11.5	Clerk role: it was agreed to have an informal contingency plan for succession planning purposes. JC to provide an update at the next meeting.	
12.	Urgent business: None	
13.	Date of next Parish Council meeting	
	Monday, 20 November 2023	
	Meeting closed at 9.10pm	