

LOCKTON PARISH COUNCILE mail: locktonpc@gmail.com[Lockton Parish Council website](#)**Minutes of the meeting of Lockton Parish Council held on 09 August 2021 at 7.30 pm at Lockton Village Hall, Lockton.**

	PRESENT	
	D Tomlinson (in the Chair), A Warriner, M Bentley, J Edenbrow, G Hodgson and J Collins (Clerk) Guest: Councillor Janet Sanderson	
1	Welcome to all	
	Cllr Tomlinson welcomed all present to the meeting.	
2	Apologies for absence	
	No absence/apologies	
3	Open Forum	
3.1	<p>Wildflower meadow</p> <p>Public attendees to the meeting were Bob Dicker, plus 2 colleagues. DT acknowledged receipt of the management plan and thanked the group. DT responded on behalf of the parish council to the WFM email dated 5 August, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The council agreed to an overlap/breathing space if/whilst the site was relocated to the new location adjacent to the existing site - The council felt that they could not commit to fundraising activity/any funds, new fence and gate, and a 15-year new commitment - The council felt they had to be consistent in their approach to all the various groups within the village and not set a precedent. The council will assist where possible in potentially holding the funds (raised by the WFM) as a possible working solution <p>DT concluded the discussions by expressing hope that an amicable solution could be reached and re-iterated the council's support to the initiative. JC has retrieved written feedback from the latest Parish Plan re the meadow post-meeting and agreed to forward to BD for consideration.</p>	Actions:
3.2	<p>Lockton Tea Rooms</p> <p>Owners Michael and Andrew discussed ideas to improve the outside area, and in particular the car park, which is rented from the parish council. It was noted that many visitors to the Bistro request to sit outside post-Covid, hence the interest in improving the outside area. JS suggested an approach to Ryedale District Council to apply for temporary street licence, which may then remain permanent. DT welcomed further thoughts/ideas and a plan from the owners, so the parish council could consider further, including any ideas on fundraising initiatives which may benefit the community.</p>	<p>BD to feedback to the WFM group</p> <p>Michael & Andrew to reapproach the council with a proposed plan</p>
4.	Declarations of interest	
	There were no declarations of interest.	
5.	Minutes of the previous meeting	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 21 June 2021 were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman as a correct record. JC to publish on the Council noticeboard and website.	
6.	To receive information on ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary	
	JE requested that the council bench, which is being replaced by the Wally & Betty bench, be sited within the Pinfold area. All council members agreed to the proposed re-siting of the old bench.	
7.	Guest: Councillor Janet Sanderson	
	JS covered the Local Government Reform, with a Q&A	

	This included the re-structuring of District Councils, services, and the opportunities of devolvement at all levels, including parish council level. The question was raised from Sue Warriner around accessibility and “who do we contact?” going forward. JS also mentioned that NYMPA would probably continue as its own authority/entity within the new streamlined structure.	
8.	Planning applications received	
8.1	NYM/2021/0456/FL - Hill Crest, High Street, Lockton Discussion took place re the feedback from the Parks Authority & also Highways. The council accepted the responses. Concerns raised from the council were mainly around the parking of any vehicles of the new owners on the bend.	No further action
8.2	NYM/2021/0523/FL – Keepers Cottage, Kingthorpe	No objections
9.	Planning decisions received.	
9.1	NYM/2021/0361/WTCA – Tree works, Fern Cottage, Lockton (agreed)	No objections.
10	Finance	
10.1 10.2 10.3	£278.90 has been reclaimed in vat from the previous financial year Updated finance report was presented, and attached to the agenda JC updated on any relevant payments. JC made the comment that the first invoice from the new grass cutter included vat, which may bring a further net gain to the council for the reclaim for next year	Noted.
11	Chairman’s report/Councillor’s information	
11.1 11.2	Update on rents and contracts for parish land - All rents now received, including the outstanding £22, from A Carter. Feedback seemed positive regarding the new grass cutting contractor. JE raised the issue that some parts were missed on the first cut. JE to forward details of the missed areas.	
12.	Clerk’s information	
12.1 12.2 12.3 12.4 12.5 12.6 12.7	WFM: Covered in Open Forum. Highways: JC forwarded emails prior to the meeting re Highway’s update, next steps appear to be an engineer visit to review the council requests lodged on the NYCC portal JC to keep reviewing progress and update the council periodically. To keep on next meeting agenda. Potholes: JC to send email prompt to JS to pursue discussions with Highways, re the possibility of a sub-contracting price to repair the potholes in the Square. Worst case scenario, the council will opt for the cheaper quote of approx. £980 (excl. vat). Ideally work to be completed before winter. Volunteer work: discussions around the village hall garden, next step is to clear/tidy the site & then agree on new planting scheme Laptop: agreement reached to purchase new laptop. MB kindly offered to help with updating council website. Provisional agreement to use the excess funds for flowers/plants for the cemetery Funding course: JC covered course learnings & will look to identify opportunities of funding for the council, and potentially other groups within the parish, such as Church, village hall & WFM.	
13.	Parish Plan Noted. JC to review the plan (which was kindly forwarded by AW post-meeting)	
14.	Urgent business No urgent business	
15.	Date of next Parish Council meeting	
	Agreed for Monday, 20 September 2021 at Lockton Village Hall, Lockton at 7.30pm.	
	Meeting closed at 9.10pm	

Finance Report 2021/22 (to 3 Aug 2021)

Closing Balance:	£ 2,986.11
Savings:	£ 5,056.49

Total: £ 8,042.60

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