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Minutes of the Meeting of Crayke Parish Council held on Tuesday 15th March 2022

22.14 Present

Councillors: C Merritt (Chair), N Northeast, S Featherstone, L Hartley, T Moverley, J Porter,
N Jackson

HDC: N Knapton

Public: 7

22.15 Apologies for absence

Clerk

22.16 Declarations of interest - None

22.17 Previous Minutes

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 18th January as a true record.

22.18 Open Forum

A number of residents attended in order to comment on a new planning application 22-00137OUT-OS Field 4755 (Agenda item 9.1a). In view of this it was agreed to bring item 9.1 forward to immediately follow the Open Forum.

Other matter raised were the condition of sewerage lane and the road outside Sycamore Cottages

22.19 Planning

1. New Applications

- a. 22/00137/OUT - OS Field 4755 - Application for Outline Planning permission with some matters reserved for construction of an eco-friendly dwelling. To include a new build stable block to be constructed within the existing paddock.

It was **resolved** to object to the application.

In making its decision Council made the following comments and observations:

1. It was recognised that there was significant objection to the application from parishioners
2. The proposed construction site is a green agricultural field outside the building envelope of the village, as defined in both the current and previous Hambleton Local Plan. The field is also immediately adjacent to the boundaries of both the Crayke Conservation Area and the Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and hence is integral to the settings of those areas.

It was noted that the smaller green fields around the village are identified in the

Hambleton Landscape Character Assessment and Sensitivity Study, 2016, as important to the heritage landscape context (Area 24 – Crayke Farmland). Proposals for development in four similar fields were rejected during the consultation call during the preparation of the current Hambleton Local Plan.

3. The construction would be a second-tier development, not accessed directly from the Highway, which both Crayke Parish Council and HDC Planning have consistently opposed as not in keeping with the nature of the village. Such a construction would set a precedent which could lead to a proliferation of such developments and applications.

Whilst the application referred to the proposal being in line with two properties to the East (Fairways and Beaver Lodge), these dwellings were built around the nineteen sixties and on the former site of Ivy Farm buildings, and hence were included in the building envelope.

4. The proposed dwelling, whilst a number of construction details and materials were provisional or absent, comprised a very large building of modern design, which Councillors considered out of keeping with the majority of dwellings in the adjacent village. In particular, features such as the large, two-story construction, some two-storey glazed areas, and a roof terrace, all of which Councillors considered were undesirable features, and departures from the character of the village.
5. Although the proposal was described as an 'eco-friendly' construction, it was considered that this was limited to certain aspects (carbon footprint and some proposed materials) but could have a negative effect on other environmental criteria, including the wildlife and diversity of the area, the landscape setting, and potentially detrimental light pollution.

2. Updates to applications

- a. NY/2021/10227/FUL - Crayke Primary School, Easingwold Rd. - Consultation on planning application for the purposes of the erection of 1.8 metre high weldmesh security fence with access gates and installation of a 100 x 2 metre Artificial Grass mile track - Granted

22.20 Community, District and County Matters

1. HDC Local Plan - the Plan was finalised and published on 22 February 2022. It was agreed that this should no longer be a standing item.
The Plan is available at <https://www.hambleton.gov.uk/local-plan-1> .
2. Other matters of interest
Councillor Knapton told the meeting that the new crematorium opened 25th February and will ease the pressure on the York facility.

22.21 Matters in hand

1. Village Plan
There will be a display about the history of the village at the Open Gardens event on Saturday 3rd April.
2. Traffic Matters
 - a. Traffic speed data is still being collected, average speed 25-28mph. However, the MVAS has stopped transmitting data and will need some maintenance

- b. 30mph zone - Following our request to Highways, one of the repeater signs on Crayke Lane has been turned around so there is now one facing in each direction.
- c. Parking by the School
The Chairman met a Highways engineer at the school, with a parent Governor. Three suggestions were discussed:
 - yellow lines on that side of the road, and possibly around the exit of Sycamore Cottages
 - a marked crossing
 - a footpath between school and sports field, this is unlikely to be possible due to expense and the necessary approval.

3. Village Green

Council has been informed that Highways will not adopt the track near the church and that the section of gully at the Highway end may require engineering reports and could involve extensive works. These will be assessed in a separate meeting with the NY Highways engineer, and repairs considered against funds available.

The Village Green has parking restrictions to maintain access to paths. Some of the paths on the green may require periodic repair.

- 4. Green Council - it was agreed to continue to develop the document for distribution around the village. It aims to seek parishioners' ideas and views on matters pertaining to the Environment and Climate Change.
- 5. Bench - The Council awaits reply from a potential sponsor of a bench for the village viewpoint near the castle. The site requires improvement and ideas were discussed about how to enhance the area.
- 6. Salt bin - the bin has been purchased and will be sited near the Sports Hall.
- 7. Litter Pick - this has been arranged for Saturday 19th March at 10:30.

22.22 Village Matters

- 1. The provision of a fast car charger in the village was discussed as grants are. It was agreed that this could be a matter to research within the Green Council initiative, and therefore we await any expressions of interest after the newsletter is circulated.

22.23 Financial matters

- 1 It was confirmed that all the bank payments made since the last meeting up to the end of 14th March were properly authorised.
- 2 It was **resolved** to receive and approve the reports on:
 - the financial position at 28th February 2022
 - the current budget position.
- 3 The following receipts and previously approved charges or payments made since the last meeting were noted:
 - Receipts - None
 - Payments
 - a. Bank charge £8.00
inc. VAT £0.00 (11/2/22)
 - b. Kingfisher Direct Ltd., Salt bin (Section 137) £89.29
inc VAT £14.88 (0001436190, 21/2/22)
- 4 It was resolved to approve the following payments by bank transfer:
 - a. Clerk's salary and Expenses for the year 2021/22 £1,701.85

- b. PAYE for 2021/22 £418.40
- 5 Additional income and expenditure items - it was **resolved** to approve the following expenditure amounts and to authorise the Chairman to purchase the items:
 - a. £60 for a reprint of local history material for the display at the Open Gardens event (Section 137)
 - b. £110 for litter picking equipment
 - c. £100 for bunting for the Jubilee Celebrations (Section 137)
- 6 Change of bank account - this is planned to follow the election of the new Council in May.

22.24 New items and correspondence to note or for decision

- 1 Council noted the invitation to a remote meeting with the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner.
- 2 Council also noted the consultation by Hambleton District Council seeking views on a draft Housing Supplementary Planning Document.
- 3 Queen's Jubilee - it was agreed to purchase bunting (see item. 22.23.5c above)

22.25 Items for the next agenda:

- 1. Cobble gullies
- 2. Condition of the road outside the School
- 3. Safety improvements for the sewerage lane exit
- 4. Option to buy display boards
- 5. NALC consultation on how to work with small councils

22.26 Next Meeting

- 1. Annual Parish Meeting - it was agreed to schedule the meeting for 19:00 on Tuesday 17th May.
- 2. Council's Annual Meeting - It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Council will be on Tuesday 17th May 2022, starting at 19:30 in the Sports Club.