

Minutes of the Crayke Annual Parish Meeting

Held on Tuesday 17th May 2022

1. Present

Parish Councillors: C Merritt (Chair), S Featherstone, J Porter, L Hartley, N Jackson,
Public: 3

2. Apologies for absence

Councillors N Northeast, T Moverley
J Jackson (School), J Chappell (Sports Club)

3. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 18th May 2021 were distributed. It was unanimously agreed that they were a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters Arising

None

5. Reports from Village Bodies

Reports were presented from:

- The Parish Council
- Crayke Church of England Primary School
- Sports Club and Village Hall
- Defibrillator Management Group

Copies of these written reports are appended to the Minutes.

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Verbal reports were given on behalf of

- St. Cuthbert's Church
- Crayke Village Charities - Parish Councillor Featherstone reported verbally that during the year the organisation had distributed 9 gifts of flowers and 6 financial donations to villagers.

6. Matters for Discussion

The problems caused by parking around the school at the start and end of the school day and within the village generally were discussed. The School and Parish Council are discussing ways of managing the parking around the School.

Concerns about the effect on the village of properties being bought for letting as holiday or Air BnB rentals were also discussed.

It was suggested the Council purchase a clock for the Sports Hall.

7. Date of the Next Meeting

It was agreed to leave it to the Parish Council to set the date.

Appendices

Report of the Chairman of Crayke Parish Council

Review of 2021-2022

At long last it feels like the disruption and challenges of the pandemic are passing into memory, and a 'new normal' is returning. A few highlights of the year follow, and as always, all details of our meetings, finance and other activities can be found via the Parish Council website.

Planning

During the year May 2021-2022 the Parish Council were consulted on 8 planning applications, with objections submitted to two, and a neutral position on the other six (some with comments or suggested improvements).

Finance

Our total income for the year was £3,554, and total spend was £3,767. Our balance carried forward was £6605, which includes dedicated funds for the defibrillators and the Neighbourhood Watch.

In addition, we have fixed assets valued at £17,554 (mainly items such as seats, bins, signs).

Roads and traffic

- Traffic speed:

A full year of speed monitoring has now been completed using the electronic Moveable Vehicle Activated Sign (MVAS). The flashing speed reminder has clearly had some effect on reminding people of the speed limit, and the data collected will be useful in identifying where and when the worst speeding occurs.

- 30 mph Zone:

After a long and complex campaign to extend the 30mph zone Southwards along Stillington Lane, this was finally achieved during late summer 2021

- Parking at the school

A good cooperative relationship has continued with the school through the year, regarding parking issues at school drop off and pickup times. Some progress has been made in encouraging more drivers to park at the Sports Hall car park, but more needs to be done. A salt bin has been purchased for installation before next winter, and we are in contact with NYCC Highways regarding some form of yellow lines or other restrictions.

Other matters

- Litter pick

A successful community litter pick was held in March 2022 after Covid restrictions prevented these happening in 2020 and 2021. The Parish Council now has a supply of pickup sticks and associated safety supplies for use in future clean-ups.

- Open Gardens

The Church and Community groups organised an Open Gardens day, to which the History Group contributed a display.

Finally, I should like to give thanks on behalf of the Council to our Sports and Village Hall group for the many things they do for the community, to the Church group for their ongoing

work as well as leading the incredibly successful Open Gardens event, to the head and Governors of Crayke CE Primary School for their professionalism in keeping Crayke School such a leading asset of the village. And lastly but not least, my personal thanks to Stephen, our Clerk, for his outstanding work, and to all my fellow councillors for their diligent support of Crayke Parish throughout the year. I should also like to thank retired Councillor Nick Northeast for his support over recent years.

Colin Merritt; 17 May 2022



Crayke Church of England Primary School May 2022

Respect, Friendship, Forgiveness & Determination

Number on roll: 97

It has been another disrupted year, due to the ongoing impact of Covid on staff and pupil absence; however, it is hoped that this is now starting to reduce and this term in particular has definitely felt more “normal” with, amongst other things, a return to SATs tests for our Year 6 pupils whole school collective worship and no more bubbles!

For the remainder of the academic year, we have some really exciting events planned for our school community including a Jubilee Afternoon Tea, a whole school Colour Run, skateboarding and scooter workshops and a celebration “open afternoon” for parents and carers. We are really excited to be able to resume educational visits, sporting fixtures and swimming lessons as well as residential visits, for Year 5 (Carlton Lodge, Thirsk) and Year 6 (Robinwood, Todmorden).

Staffing

We continue to operate with four classes in school, organised as follows:

	Year group	Age of children	Teacher	Number in class
Class 1	Reception	4 - 5	Mrs Caroline Helfferich	13
Class 2	Year 1/2	5 – 7	Miss Emily Walker (M) Mrs Lois Dobson (Tu-F)	30
Class 3	Year 3/4	7 – 9	Mrs Louise Rayner (M-Th) Miss Emily Walker (F)	27
Class 4	Year 5/6	9 - 11	Mrs Judi Jackson (M) Mrs Lauren Chandler (Tu-F)	27

Each class has the equivalent of full time Teaching Assistant support. We are also fortunate to be well supported by a group of governors who bring a varied skill set and extensive experience to the role.

We have 15 children due to join us in September 2022 from a variety of feeder settings including Livewires, Puddleducks, Sutton Pre-School, Twinkle Twinkle and Busy Bees. We will bid a fond farewell to our 14 Year 6 pupils in July who leave for a range of destinations – Easingwold Outwood Academy (6) Ryedale (6) St Peters (1) and Bootham (1).

Technology

Since the last report we have upgraded the interactive whiteboards in all four classes. We continue to use Google platform for the provision of homework activities.

Site improvements

You may have noticed the recent installation of the new school fence which was a necessary addition to our school site, funded in part by NYCC. We are also grateful that planning permission was granted for the running track; this will be installed during the summer holidays by a local company.

Community Links

It was wonderful to be part of the recent Crayke Open Gardens event and we were grateful for the donation towards our forest school provision. We are looking forward to working alongside Rev. Franks and to welcome her into school. We have been fortunate to have Strensall's Open the Book team visit to lead collective worship fortnightly and Lucy Wilshaw, Children and Families Worker, has led worship for us weekly either in person or remotely. We look forward to welcoming parents and carers into school more frequently over coming months; being able to invite them in for the Reception and Key Stage 1 nativity was a real highlight.

School Website

The school website has undergone recent developments and remains an excellent source of information about the life and work of Crayke Primary School. Should you wish to receive more regular updates about what is going on please do subscribe to our website – www.craykeschool.org.

CHASA

A small but dedicated group of parents are currently running CHASA. They have good plans for fundraising activities including a film night and the annual Summer Fair which will be taking place on school grounds between 12pm and 4pm on Saturday 18 June 2022.

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Crayke Sports Club and Village Hall

Chairman's Annual Report for 2021

Another difficult year for sports and social activities. The number of events we were able to hold severely reduced the bar takings which is our main source of income.

There were additional costs too as out of date bar stocks had to be destroyed. Repairs to the fabric of the club were still required and consequently the club ran at a deficit.

The spirit of the club remained positive however with many volunteers helping to make repairs and repaint the club.

Fortunately, we were able to hold a bonfire again in November which was a tremendous success.

We held several 'Club social' events of a low-profile nature when able on an occasional basis.

These have been well supported, often by whole families & we will try to continue publicising further events through the various social media networks.

All the sports sections have been able to have some limited use of the facilities within the Government Guidelines and although Crayke cricket club did not make the final, the Pilmoor League Final was held at Crayke & was such a success that the league have asked to hold the Final at Crayke again this year.

Club Grounds and Fabric

Repair work, maintenance & repainting has been undertaken by several 'working parties' & thanks goes to all of those who have given up their spare time during the lockdown & since.

New fire doors and lights were fitted throughout significantly improving the light & security of the building.

CRAYKE PARISH COUNCIL DEFIBRILLATORS

SUMMARY NOTE May 2022

A team of four parishioners continue to perform weekly checks on our two defibrillators situated at the Sports Hall and The Durham Ox inn.

These checks ensure that the machines have an operating battery, in date defibrillator pads and the housing cabinet is in a suitable condition with working locks.

We purchase supplies now directly from The British Heart Foundation as their products represented a cost saving as they have a longer shelf life.

The defibrillator fund is managed by Crayke Parish Council and receipts are obtained for purchases. The balance of the fund is about £1800, generated from donations and fund-raising activities.

New pads cost around £50 per pair, a new battery about £150 (3-year life) a new defibrillator £1000-1200 (10-year warranty) a cabinet £80-100. The fund is therefore adequate to maintain our machines.

The defibrillators are on the national database run by The Circuit (British Heart Foundation), in cooperation with NHS ambulance services. I regularly respond to their request for confirmation that the machines are emergency ready.

The plastic cabinet at the sports hall does not suffer with rusting of the door margin as seen in the Durham Ox one which is metal. A replacement door was obtained, and we are monitoring the reappearance of rust as we may be able to request another under warranty before the end of the year.

Unusually our cabinets do display access codes. The access codes were also circulated to all households. This decision was in response to access codes not being given after a 999 call where a 600m distance of the casualty to the defibrillator site was imposed. Whilst there is a greater risk of theft or vandalism, the short window in which a casualty can respond to defibrillation as a lifesaving procedure, was considered paramount. No adverse incidents have been reported.

In some instances, ambulance response times have been slower. The ambulance service strongly recommended the purchase of defibrillators in rural communities for that reason.

Jane Porter Defibrillator coordinator