



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
FULFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 11th JULY 2019 AT 7.15 P.M.
AT MEIR HEATH AND ROUGH CLOSE VILLAGE HALL.**

PRESENT: Chairman Brunt, Cllr Baskin, Cllr Mycock, Cllr Cooke, Cllr Lovatt, Cllr Noblett, Cllr Oxby, Cllr Wilkinson, Cllr Garside, Cllr Dodson, Cllr Sandiford, Cllr White, Cllr McNaught, Cllr Roycroft.

IN ATTENDANCE: Two residents from Blythe Avenue

APOLOGIES: Cllr Flackett

54/19 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Oxby – Little Leaners agenda item
Cllr Oxby – Fulford village festival

55/19 MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by a resident whose property borders Grindley Park. A piece of the edging strip from the tarmac path had been thrown into this garden. The Clerk was liaising with the resident to find a suitable solution.

Cllr Oxby – read out an email from a resident of Fulford regarding a portion of land behind Dale View Court. The land had been left over after the development of the houses, investigations at the land registry had revealed that the land is unregistered. The Councillors asked the Clerk to make enquires as to how the Parish Council could register a possessory title on the land and bring back to the next meeting.

Cllr Cooke – reported that an offer of £50 for the purchase of the large wooden sleeper had been received and he proposed that the Council accept the offer. Cllr White seconded. The Clerk would make the necessary arrangements.

Two residents of Blythe Avenue were present and reported that they had regularly witnessed and been bothered by a large bonfire. It was believed that the fire was being lit at a property in Birkholme Drive. Borough Councillor Dodson asked the residents to compile a diary of when the fire was being lit and he would pursue the issue with Environmental Health at SBC.

**56/19 TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
13.06.19**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 13.06.19 having been circulated be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.



Proposed Cllr White
Seconded Cllr Noblett

57/19 COUNTY & BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Borough Councillor Dodson thanked Cllr Oxby for his help with the Oak Processionary Moth problem on the Fulford Village Green.

Borough Councillor Roycroft also extended his thanks. He reported that Barlaston Neighbourhood plan had now been adopted and the issue with Little Acres planning had gone to appeal.

58/19 FINANCE

(a) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED - Authority was given for cheques to be issued in settlement of the invoices shown in the accounts for payment attached as an Appendix to the signed minutes. The Councillors agreed that authority for the invoices to be paid via CHAPS directly through NatWest's Laura Baker due to the ongoing issue with the signatories.

(b) Update regarding NatWest Signatories

The completed mandates had now been received by NatWest and were now being processed.

The Clerk circulated to the Councillors the missing bank reconciliations for May & June which were late due to the issue with the bank correspondence address.

Cllr White asked that the issue of Bus Shelters be added to the agenda for the next F&GP Committee meeting.

59/19 PLANNING

19/30776/FUL – Long Lane Head Farm – Variation of condition 2&17 on application
18/28141/FUL

This is a variation of a condition regarding a Bat loft; however, we appear to not have been sent any supporting paperwork (Bat study, environmental reports) Could we have a copy of these to enable the Council to discuss in full.

19/30789/HOU – 264 Grindley Lane - - Proposed 1st Floor and rear extension – No
Objections

19/30770/HOU – The Spinney 105 Hilderstone Road, Meir Heath – Extension & Alterations
of existing dwelling house – No Objections.



60/19 OTHER MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION BY THE COUNCIL

- (a) **Items - the notice of which was given to the Clerk** As instructed, the Clerk included the following matters on the agenda for this meeting and the topics were then discussed by members: -

➤ **NALC Annual Conference – Cllr Cooke**

Cllr Cooke asked the Council if he would be able to attend the NALC conference on 28/29 October being held in London at a cost of £211 plus VAT

Cllr Oxby stated he had no problem with this; however, he could recall that the Council many years ago had discussed travel expenses and this would need to be revisited.

A unanimous decision was taken to allow Cllr Cooke to attend and the subject of travel expenses would be discussed in the F & GP Committee in September.

➤ **Terms of Reference – Clerk**

Following on from a discussion where the Councillors felt they needed extra time to go through the Terms of Reference it was decided to call an Extraordinary Meeting before the next Full Council meeting. This would allow extra time for the Councillors to read and make appropriate comments.

➤ **Delegated Powers to Committees – Cllr Colclough**

As Cllr Colclough was absent this item was not discussed.

➤ **Saverley Grass Cutting**

Cllr Oxby explained that the area of grass where the notice board is situated in Saverley Green was very overgrown. SBC used to cut it but as they do not own the land, they no longer are able to main it. S&RH do not own it or want to cut it.

Cllr Oxby asked the Clerk to perform a land registry search. It was agreed that the Clerk ask Town and Country to cut the area as an interim measure.

➤ **Little Learners – Chairman Brunt**

Adjourned to the September meeting after the Grants Policy has been discussed in F & GP

➤ **Fulvest financial support request – Cllr Oxby**

Cllr Oxby asked the Council if they would consider contributing to the Fulford Village Fete on 13.07.19.



Cllr White proposed the matter be discussed after the Grants Policy had been signed off at the F&GP in September. This would also give Fulford Village Group the time to see how successful the event had been. This was seconded by Cllr Noblett.

➤ **Allotments – Update from the Clerk**

The Clerk updated the Councillors that the Allotment group had read through the lease and had found no problems with it. She asked if the Councillors could now give permission for the Chairman to sign it. This was unanimously agreed.

There were a few outstanding questions regarding the balancing ponds on site which the Clerk had emailed S& RH with and she awaited a response.

➤ **Grants Policy – Cllr Cooke**

Deferred to F & GP Committee in September.

➤ **New bins and back pack bowser for Grindley park – Clerk**

The Clerk explained that one of the bins on Grindley Park had been vandalised and the park Attendant had asked if a steel one could be ordered as a replacement.

The Councillors asked the Clerk to bring three quotes to the next meeting.

The Clerk also asked if she could purchase a back pack bowser to water the flowers in the memorial garden. The Councillors said a £100 budget could be set and to ensure that three quotes were kept on file.

➤ **Circus – Cllr Cooke**

Cllr Cooke explained that he had approached Happy Circus regarding hosting a circus on Grindley Park.

The deposit for the event was £410, this was not payable until 19.04.19 and up until that point we could cancel FOC.

The tickets would be sold for £10 each and the capacity is 600.

The only date available for the next 18 months is 19.07.20.

The Councillors unanimously agreed to book the event.

Cllr Baskin stressed that advertising the event properly was paramount.

61/19 MATTERS FOR REPORT

Cllr Cooke updated the Councillors on the newsletter, it was printed and currently being delivered. The next one was scheduled for the Autumn term approximately the first week of October.



He went on to say that the Web Site is nearly ready to transition over to the new site.

The Coach trip sales were as follows: -

York – 27 seats sold

Llandudno 26 seats sold.

Updates from Parish Contractors

The Handyman had been given an extensive list of jobs that needed doing and he was endeavouring to complete them by the end of July.

Clerks Holidays reminder – disruption on agenda issues, need any items in plenty of time

Thursday 25 July – 30 July

Friday 16 August – Monday 2nd September

62/19 ITEM(S) FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Little Learners – Chairman Brunt

Community Asset Register – Cllr Cooke

Meir KA Football Club – Cllr Cooke

Stallington Close / Cavall Court – Cllr Mycock

Hedgehogs / Road Signs – Cllr White

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

1. The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be convened on Thursday 8th August ²⁰¹⁹
at Fulford Village Hall

CHAIRMAN