Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Great Ouseburn Parish Council held at 7.00 pm on 17th July 2024 in the Jeff Gill Room of the Village Hall

Present: Councillors R. Jones (Chairman), K. Scott, G. Jackson, F. Grout, E. Bainbridge, J. Allen, County Councillor Warneken

Clerk: J. Merriman

Public Session
A 15-minute public session was held prior to the Council commencing the meeting. Members of the public were invited to raise any matters they wished to discuss, however they were not guaranteed an answer at this meeting. Should there be a requirement for the council to provide responses, the matters raised will be listed on the agenda for the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council. 7 members of the public were present. Q1 2 residents asked about the area in front of the bungalows; they would like a friendship garden with benches and wildflowers and stated that the big tree needs pruning: A. It was **AGREED** that the council would carry out a site visit. Q2 The pathway across the green is very slippery: A. It was **AGREED** that the council would look at the path. Q3. Please could we have a bus stop bench. Q4 A member of the public asked about the Knapping Mount boards: A. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should send a copy of the photos to Councillor Michael Harrison at North Yorkshire Council and Alan Gilyard (arboriculturist) to determine the whereabouts of the board, if possible. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would also send the photo to Councillor Scott to put on facebook. Q5 A question was raised about the poor state of the road out of the village from the housing development: A. Councillor Warneken requested that the member of the public email him with the complaint and confirmed that he would take it further. Q6 The path outside the pub is in a poor state, are there any funds available to repair it? A. It has been inspected by NYC and not deemed to be worthy of repair.

2024/47 An introduction was received from the Chairman and a reminder of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting

2024/48 Apologies were received from Councillor Wilkinson and approval given of reasons for absence.

2024/49 Declaration of Interests

a) Declarations of interest not already declared under the council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary included Councillor Grout who declared a non-pecuniary interest in the agenda item relating to Boroughbridge Community Library.

b) No applications for dispensation were received.

2024/50 The minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record of proceedings. (These were circulated under separate cover).

2024/51 No report was received from North Yorkshire Council since Councillor Warneken had a prior engagement to attend and left the meeting early.

2024/52 Members of the Cricket Club were welcomed and it was **AGREED** to review the annual rent and charges at the August council meeting.

2024/53 **Clerk's report**

- The Clerk has appointed Vision ICT to undertake the website and .gov.uk email work
- The Clerk has contacted Democratic Services to check the required number of councillors for Great Ouseburn
- A speed survey has been requested from NYC and the request acknowledged
- An email was sent to the member of the public refusing the request to remove the floodlight
- £200 has been transferred for the Youth Club
- The AGAR and the confirmation of the dates of the exercise of the period of public rights have been uploaded to the website
- A direct debit has been set up for the ICO
- The oak sign has been ordered

2024/54 The following financial matters were noted and approved:

(a) Payments approved: £3.38 drainage board, £38.39 petrol Councillor Scott, £20.34 the Clerk, waterways keys, Nigel Roskilly £125.00 grass cutting

(b) The Bank Reconciliation was noted:

Balance Bfwd as at 12/06/24	£ 21,947.58
Income	£ 392.00
Expenditure	£ 817.39
Balance as at 10/07/24	£ 21,522.19

2024/55 The casual vacancy was reviewed, and it was **RESOLVED** unanimously to appoint Councillor John Allen who was duly co-opted.

2024/56 Planning Issues

a) Planning applications

Application ref	Proposal	Location	Comments

6.80.30.O.FUL ZC24/01993/FUL	Alterations to existing outbuilding, including erection of additional brick wall, new timber cladding to existing walls and installation of glazed external doors.	Branton Grange Pipers Lane Great Ouseburn York North Yorkshire YO26 9RT	**NO COMMENTS**

b) Planning enforcements – no planning enforcements were received

c) Planning decisions – no planning decisions were received

2024/57 A letter was received from Boroughbridge library requesting financial assistance and it was **RESOLVED** to donate £500 to the library.

2024/58 An email was received from Councillor Scott regarding grass cutting and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the quote to cut every 4 weeks, Councillor Scott will also contact the owners of the hedge to ensure that they authorise the hedgecutting.

2024/59 It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would re-send the Risk Assessment and put it on the August agenda.

2024/60 It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would re-send the letter from Strategic Finance regarding the precept arrangements for 2025/6.

2024/61 An email was received regarding the sale of Kirby Hall Estate and it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would email Councillor Warneken to obtain contact details of similar successful projects, that Councillor Jackson would contact the land agents to determine the current situation and that the member of the public present would identify potential interest in the project within the village.

2024/62 An update from the commuted sums working group was provided and actions agreed.

2024/63 The action log was received and updated.

2024/64 The date of the next meeting was agreed as 21st August. Councillor Bainbridge gave apologies in advance.