

PIERCEBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING

MONDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2023

ST MARYS CHURCH – 7.15pm

In Attendance: Cllrs S. Chalmers (Chair), C. Steel, D. Taylor McDonald and S. Natrass.

1. Apologies

Ward Councillors P. Crudass and G. Lee, Cllr R. Blamire and Cllr C. Hodgson.

2. Declaration of interest

None.

3. Minutes of meeting 17 July 2023

Minutes of the meeting 17 July were approved as a correct record of proceedings and signed by the Chair.

Proposed by Cllr Steel and seconded by Cllr Taylor McDonald.

4. Village and maintenance issues

4.1 Ride on Tractor update

No further movement to date. Postponed to the next meeting.

4.2 Defibrillator (Cllr Blamire to advise)

In the absence of Cllr Blamire this was postponed to the next meeting.

The Clerk reported that defibrillator training/refresher training will take place in Manfield Village Hall on 20 November at 6pm. This training is also open to Piercebridge residents. Cllr Taylor McDonald agreed to circulate a message in the village's Whatsapp group for any interest. Cllr Blamire and Cllr Taylor McDonald have confirmed attendance.

4.3 Layby between houses 20 -27

This item was deferred until the next meeting to discuss with the Ward Councillors.

4.4 Commemorative bench

The Chair reported that she had seen a suitable bench in the Clerk and Councils Direct magazine. There are also lots to choose from on the associated website. Cllr Blamire was nominated to source a suitable bench for up to £500.

4.5 Dog barking

This issue has now been resolved and no further action is needed.

5. Finance

5.1 Financial Report:

The financial report was circulated prior to the meeting and was approved and signed by the Chair.

5.2 Accounts for payment:

Payment of £60 to clerk for salary.

6. Correspondence

Cllr Crudass circulated an email on funding available from Living Heritage Fund for an orchard to commemorate the Coronation.

Cllr Lee circulated an email on installation of electric chargers. Cllr Taylor McDonald will respond.

7. Planning

None.

8. Ward Councillors update

As the Ward Councillors were not present any update will be picked up at the next attendance.

9. AOB

A pothole at the top of Mill Lane needs repairing as it is part of the Teesdale Way and the responsibility of DBC.

This was reported by Cllr Taylor McDonald on DBC website during the meeting.

10. Date and time of next meeting:

The next meeting is 13 November 2023 at 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.