

# *Sowerby Parish Council*

## **Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Sowerby Parish Council on Thursday 11th April at 7.30pm in Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall Annexe.**

**Present:** Cllr M Robson (Chairman); Cllr P Bardon; Cllr G France; Cllr A Jackson; Cllr C Snowdon and Cllr E Storm.

**Also Present:** One member of the public and Alexandra Robson, Clerk.

23/128 Members of the public to raise any items of importance (maximum of 10 minutes)

Dogs are still being let off in the Sports Village. A request was made for signage on Blakey Lane to be increased.

23/129 To receive apologies for absence and declarations of interest

**It was resolved apologies be received and accepted from Cllr Y Bowling; Cllr T Beadle; Cllr S Hoyland; Cllr K Till and Cllr A Turner**

23/130 To approve and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 14th March 2024

**It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 14th March 2024 be approved**

23/131 To receive report from North Yorkshire Police

A report had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Cllr Bardon asked what the community day at East Thirsk was for. A resident has asked if the police could look into the parking of a car on the left of Front Street, when travelling from Dalton towards Sowerby. Also a car is parking unsafely on Green Lane East on a regular basis. The Clerk will feed this into NYP.

23/132 To receive a report from North Yorkshire Council on items of relevance to Sowerby

Cllr Sladden had offered apologies for the meeting but had sent an update on matters that had been raised, which Cllr Robson shared.

It was requested that NYC send an operative to clean the road in the vicinity of the concrete bollard on Sowerby Road.

23/133 To consider Planning Applications

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**It was resolved that the Clerk will feed comments back to the planning authority**

23/134 Financial Matters

1. No Receipts
2. To Note and Approve Payments

**It was resolved that payments be made**

23/135 To consider and agree arrangements for opening and closing the play area gates

Councillors feel it is important to continue to manage the play area opening/closing. Several Councillors are happy to have a key and be on standby as required.

**It was resolved that a notice will be put on the boards/website with a view to attracting a volunteer**

23/136 To update council on matters arising from minutes for information only

- NYC advised that a review of secondary provision has been done and Thirsk School has a surplus capacity
- A letter has been sent to B Mason and B Khan at North Yorkshire Council regarding Sowerby Road

Signed:

Chairman

Date:

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23/137 To receive correspondence for information only

- A resident had written to the council and Cllr Sladden regarding issues on land between Premier Inn and Econ, which included a request to put the speed matrix on Oak Drive. As this is not an adopted road, the Parish Council will not be able to deploy the speed matrix
- Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Survey teams call is taking place and councillors were given details of this
- A report has been made of commercial rubbish being burned on a property on Dalton Road, this will be reported to NYC Environmental Health
- NYC asked if SPC would consider taking over the grass cutting on Sowerby Gateway. Currency this is being dealt with through a management company, in line with the planning conditions

23/138 To receive reports from Committees and Organisational Representatives

None

23/139 Any other business that may be legally discussed

*Items requiring a decision will be placed on a future agenda*

- It was noted that the development of Silver Street properties are a vast improvement
- A tree on Back Lane is in need of the ivy removing, this will be looked into
- Councillors were reminded that footpaths are the responsibility of North Yorkshire Council
- A play area picnic bench has had some damage

23/140 To confirm the date of next meeting as Thursday 9th May 2024 which will be the Annual Meeting.

The meeting closed at 20:15.

## Appendix i Planning

### Applications

ZB24/00532/FUL Alterations and extensions to rear of an existing dwelling  
31 Victoria Avenue

**WTSA**

ZB24/00575/FUL Reroofing, chimney repair and repointing work  
9 Mowbray Drive

**WTSA**

ZB23/025929/MRC Modification to condition 3 Flood Lighting Hours  
Sowerby Sports Village

**WTSR**

Sowerby Parish Council wishes to see the original conditions maintained at 07:00 - 21:00 in order to protect the residents from unnecessary noise and lighting outside these hours.

**WTSA** *Wish to see approved*

**WTSR** *Wish to see refused*

Signed:  
Chairman  
Date: