

MINUTES
OF CROSS ROADS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 7.00PM ON WEDNESDAY 21st February 2024
AT ST. JAMES CHURCH HALL, ALBION STREET, CROSS ROADS

Present: Cllr Arana, Cllr Cotton, Cllr Underwood, Cllr Anderson, Cllr Aston, Cllr Clarke & Cllr Senior
District Councillors Rebecca Poulsen and Russell Brown
Mags Smith, Clerk
6 Members of the Public

161.23 Apologies Apologies received from Cllr Clarke and District Councillors Brown.
Resolved: That the apologies and reasons for absence were approved.

162.23 Recording of Council meetings
The right to record, film and to broadcast meetings was read and noted.

163.23 To record any disclosures of interest on the agenda.
No declarations of interest were received.

164.23 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 17th January 2024.
Resolved: The Minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2024 were approved.

165.23 Public Participation.
A member of the public asked about speeding on Haworth Road following an accident recently. There are only 20mph signs which flash when at school times but it is in the evening when the speeds increase. It was suggested that fixed cameras were the only deterrent. Cllr Senior said that he has a meeting arranged with Highways and will take this matter up with them and report back.
The following items were also discussed:
Dog walkers leaving dog poo bags on pavements. There is a dispenser near the school. Cllr Cotton has some signs and will put some up. Residents are advised to report any incidents if the address of the dog owner is known.
Boarded up shops. Can anything be done about them, they are an eyesore. Enquiries will be made to see when the properties will be in use again.

166.23 Invited Guests

- **Report from District Councillor**
Cllr Poulsen advised that the long awaited white lines had been painted at Longacres. Lines to be painted at the junction of Nares Street, this has been on the cards since last year.
Potholes on Vale Mill Lane have been filled with more extensive work in April.
Brow Top Road is closed for resurfacing. The toad patrol litter picked and now the drain has been cleared, water is going under the road instead of over it.
BDMC's budget will be set on 7th March following a decision on the loan from the Government.
- **Report from WYP.**
As there was no representative from WY Police, no report was given.

167.23 To consider any planning applications received.

167.23.01 New Planning Applications –
24/00248/FUL Change of use for the first floor and loft ONLY from residential flats to offices and a BnB. Alterations to the fenestration, new concrete stairwell leading up to the offices and BnB. Installation of 6 rooflights and the installation of a new sign, wall hanging and external lights at the front elevation.
Cross Roads Inn, Cross Roads, Keighley

Signed:

Date:

Resolved: The Parish Council is totally in favour of allowing the further development of the Cross Roads Inn and commends the efforts to resurrect the building, including the change of use to the upper floor and loft only.

Although the upper floor is considered part of the Community Facility under the Neighbourhood Development Plan, the Parish Council feel that this does not impact on the ability to still provide a public house on the lower half of the building

The Parish Council is aware that as a registered Asset of Community Value, the pub's ACV status should legitimately be considered a material consideration in any planning application for either partial or full change of use. Should any future application for change of use of the ground floor of the pub away from public house use be made, the parish council will strongly press the case for refusal on ACV grounds, as well as for reasons of conflict with the neighbourhood plan's community facilities protection policy.

23/04099/HOU Creation of 2 parking spaces in the northern section of the existing front garden. - 11 Barcroft Cross Roads

Resolved: That the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

167.23.02 Planning Applications granted – None

167.23.03 Planning Applications refused – None

167.23.04 Any other Planning matters.

168.23 Financial Report.

To approve the Financial Report and Payment Schedule for February.

		Current acc at 12/02/2024	£15,881.88		
		Reserve acc at 12/02/2024	£19,966.81		
Fasthosts email (Jan-Feb)	29/01/2024	6.00	IB68	25	
St.James Church (room hire)	17/01/2024	40.00	IB69	22	
Steve Thorpe (planting)	03/01/2024	489.60	IB70	26	
Cllr Underwood allowance	29/01/2024	150.00	IB71	23	
Cllr Anderson allowance	29/01/2024	150.00	IB72	23	
Cllr Arana allowance	29/01/2024	150.00	IB73	23	
Cllr Arana Chairs allowance	29/01/2024	350.00	IB74	24	
Cllr Cotton allowance	30/01/2024	150.00	IB75	23	
BT phone bill (Feb)	19/02/2024	50.34	DD	25	
P Bastey (bowling green cutting)	02/02/2024	780.00	IB76	26	
Charlestown Ltd (fest.lgts removal)	31/01/2024	1427.76	IB77	34	
Steve Thorpe (grit bin filling)	14/02/2024	270.00	IB78	26	
Waddington Turner Wall (toilets)	16/02/2024	1003.40		29	
	Total		£4977.10		

Resolved: That the Financial Report and Payment schedule for February was approved.

169.23 To receive an update on the completion of the transfer of the public toilets.

Cllr Arana reported that the transfer of the toilets was now complete and thanks given to Waddington Turner Wall for their work on this. Improvements to the toilets and protection of their heritage will be discussed at future meetings.

170.23 To consider the opening of the public toilets and action to be taken.

Resolved: That the public toilet will reopen on Friday 22nd March 2024 and a deep clean will be carried out week commencing 18th March.

171.23 To consider summer planting.

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A quote for summer planting will be discussed at the next meeting.

- 172.23 To approve the rental cost of the office and lock up storage.**
Resolved: That the 5 year lease for both the office and lock up storage unit at £1800pa was approved. Also approved was a service charge and £600 towards legal fees.
- 173.23 To receive an update on the request for a street lamp on Bingley Road.**
Cllr Poulsen advised that there was no power source nearby and the cost to dig a trench, lay cables and install a new lamp post would be in the region of £11,000. The Clerk would inform the resident who requested the lamp.
- 174.23 To receive an update on parking issues.**
The Parish Council hadn't been informed of the markings to be carried out at the Nares Street junction. This may be because the funding was approved last year before the new council was set up, nevertheless, it is welcome. Cllr Senior will meet with Highways next week to discuss various parking issues.
- 175.23 To consider applying for a BHF grant for a defibrillator and also to consider purchasing a bleed control kit.**
Cllr Cotton advised that she had applied for free funding for a new defibrillator to be installed at the Bronte Hotel who have agreed to this. Cllr Cotton will bring to Council if the funding is successful.
The location of a bleed control kit might be a problem. Cllr Underwood would look into funding as they cost around £400.
- 176.23 To consider commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the D Day landings.**
Item to be considered at the next meeting, Cllrs Cotton and Underwood will get more information.
- 177.23 To receive further information on the Section 8 Training Courses (Traffic Management).**
Keighley Town Council are still considering this item. It is difficult to find a course for Cllr Clarke as many are not doing them at this time.
- 178.23 To receive an update on a meeting with Keighley Town Council for Parishes to join together to take over services.**
No further information has been received and there has been no request to attend a meeting received.
- 179.23 To consider a newsletter or item in the Worth Valley magazine.**
A full page item was considered and it was decided that the Chair's first year annual report in May should be published.
- 180.23 Correspondence and items brought forward by the Chair.**
- **Toad Patrol** – information had been circulated
 - **Date of April meeting, hall unavailable**
Resolved: That the date of the April meeting would be moved to the 15th April 2024 due to the unavailability of the hall on the 17th.
- 181.23 Date of next meeting. 20th March 2024**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.20

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Date: