

YOXALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on Thursday, 5th January 2023 at 7.30pm
in the Parish Hall, King Street, Yoxall

Present: P Hughes, J Williams, P Bailey, R Keys, D Muir, R Yapp
and P Kitt

Also Present: Three Members of the Public

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from S Evans, M Arch, R Young, J Jessel and L Beech.

2) CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman, P Hughes, mentioned the following:

1. Meetings dates for 2023/2024.
2. Precept 2023/2024.

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to request a 4% increase in the Precept Requirement for 2023-2024.

Resolved: To request from ESBC a 4% increase in the Precept Requirement for 2023-2024.

3. Meeting with J Jessel on the 15th December 2022.
4. Coronation Beacons on Jerusalem Hill.
5. Offer of Barbeque Equipment.
6. Christmas Boxes (107).

3) DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- Declarations to be made when relevant item raised.

4) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 1ST DECEMBER 2022

It was proposed, seconded and agreed the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 1st December 2022 be approved as a true and correct record.

Resolved: To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 1st December 2022.

5) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

➤ No matters raised.

6) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

➤ Yoxall Cricket Club – Update regarding Cricket Club Practice Facilities.

7) REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

a) Report of County Councillor

J Jessel had been in contact/contacted regarding the following:

- Local Speedwatch Recruitment.
- Police on Crime, Speed and Volume of Traffic.
- R Rayson – Traffic Report for Village.
- License for Bench at Hadley End.
- Work on A38 during 2023.
- Meeting on 15th December 2022 regarding Pavements and other local issues.

b) Report of Borough Councillor

➤ No matters reported.

8) PLANNING

R Keys reported the following:-

Planning Report – January 2023

Applications

P/2022/01337 and 01340 – Application and listed building consent for replacement of side and rear extensions with two storey rear and single storey side extension. The property is Grade II listed and falls within the Conservation area. We have consulted with the planning officer to ensure that the applicant is complying with the various conditions and

policies applying to a property of this type, though it is noted that there is a degree of dilapidation already requiring urgent attention.

P/2022/01304 – 4 Main Street, Yoxall – Application for conversion of ground floor flat to retail use.

I gather that the applicant proposes that this is a standalone retail unit and not connected to the newsagent/post office business. No other details are provided other than its size and layout indicates that it would be a non-food use.

P/2022/01378 – Farm Buildings at Brackenhurst Road, Newchurch – Prior approval for conversion of agricultural building to storage.

P/2022/01407 – The Latchets, Sudbury Road, Yoxall – Application for two storey side extension with Juliet balcony.

Decisions

P/2022/01203 – Redbank Farm, Maker Lane – Agricultural Building conversion into three dwellings. REFUSAL – The proposal no longer reflects the character of the original building and adversely affects its position in a countryside setting.

Yoxall PC and others raised issues with ESBC regarding this development.

P/2022/01156 – Leacroft, Sandpits – REFUSAL for part extension and porch. Reasons – detrimental visual impact on adjacent open countryside and proximity to FP 37.

P/2022/00959 – Reeves End House, King Street. APPROVAL for Change of Use from C3 dwelling to C2 Registered Children’s Home.

P/2022/01509 – The Antique Shop, King Street, Yoxall – APPROVAL and listed building consent for alterations to screed floor, extraction cooker hood and relocation of existing flue.

9) CLERK’S REPORT

a) Correspondence

- SCC – Climate Change Grant Remittance.
- J Jessel A38 E-bulletin.
- SPCA Bulletin.
- Staffordshire Fire and Rescue – Frozen Water Danger.
- Barbeque Unit Offer.
- A38 Fradley to Barton combined maintenance work.

10) MATTERS IN PROGRESS OR REQUIRING ACTION

i) Conservation Group

- S Evans reported by email that there were no matters to report. Unfortunately, the Green Corridor planting session scheduled for 28th December 2022 was cancelled due to her ill health.

ii) Best Kept Village Competition

- S Evans reported by email feedback received and a small cup plus certificate.

iii) Riverside Regeneration

- D Muir reported quotations being obtained for Tree Maintenance on Goose Green.

iv) Open Spaces

P Kitt reported the following:-

Ferrers Field

The Quarterly Inspection was carried out by Sovereign on all our play equipment and surroundings on 15th December 2022.

As anticipated and mentioned at our November meeting, all areas have a low risk and are of a good standard, apart from the play bark.

Parish Council agreed in November to wait for report to confirm that topping up was required. Topping up now should see us through to Spring/Easter.

We have a price of £400.00 plus VAT for collecting three bags of play bark, delivering to site and spreading. The last time I priced play bark it was in excess of £100.00 per bag. The price quoted therefore seems reasonable and I would recommend we proceed. Parish Council permission is sought to go ahead with this. It was agreed to purchase £200.00 worth of play bark for Ferrers Field Play Area.

Milne Holme Pingle

The new Bench and Totem to mark the Severn Trent Way have been installed.

The fence to the river has been reinstated.

A new fence directly in front of the new Bench and Totem has been installed. All direct access to the river is now closed off.

A brick built barbeque will be installed in the next few weeks.

All fly tipping and litter removed.

An update has been put on our Website and an article put in the Fisherman magazine.

v) Village Amenities

- Purchased LED Christmas Lights for Churchyard Tree at a cost of under £200.00.

vi) Parish Hall

- British Legion function planned for 1st July 2023 – Advertised event.

vii) Burial Ground

- No matters reported.

viii) Roads and Pavements

- M Arch reported by email that speeding traffic through Yoxall continues to increase with a particular problem during the festive period. Some motorists are “flooring it” once they have negotiated the bend by the Parish Hall. Have seen overtaking at speed along Main Street.

ix) Website

- The Website will be updated from Councillor’s Reports.

x) Health and Safety – Health Services

R Yapp reported the following:-

Next meeting not until 9th February 2023. This will include update from Open Meeting.

AGM planned for 7.15pm on Tuesday, 28th March 2023.

YHC website has been updated and also the YaPP website.

Social Prescribing, the contract with St Giles Hospice has now ended and has been taken over by Burton Albion Community Trust.

11) WISH LIST

P Bailey circulated an updated Wish List.

12) COMMUNITY

➤ No matters reported.

13) FINANCE

a) Cheque Payments

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to issue the following cheques:-

DATE	CHEQUE NO.	DETAILS	£
05/01/2023	506651	Inland Revenue	188.40
05/01/2023	506652	Parish Clerk	282.60
05/01/2023	506653	Ken's Countryside Landscapes	692.40
05/01/2023	506654	N Sutcliffe	50.00
05/01/2023	506655	ESBC (Litter)	624.86
05/01/2023	506656	Parish Clerk's Expenses	24.20
		TOTAL:	<u>£1,862.46</u>

Resolved: To issue the above cheques.

The meeting closed at 8.38pm.

P Hughes
Chairman