

ASTON-CUM-AUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2024 IN THE
PARISH HALL ROSEGARTH AVENUE AT 6.30 PM**

PRESENT Cllr M Elliott (Chairperson)
Cllrs P Amrith G B Davis P Davis S Forster D A Knowles
W Mawson B Mears J Peech H Ratcliffe R Taylor

Mrs K A Butler (Clerk)
M Haigh (Assistant Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE 3 Members of the Public

24/221 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

It was **RESOLVED** that apologies and reasons for absence from Cllrs S Allen
B A Bartholomew D H Gee and S Smith be accepted.

24/222 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chairperson be authorised to sign the minutes of
the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 8 October 2024 as being a true
record of the business transacted.

24/223 EVENTS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Events & Recreation Committee
held on 24 September 2024 be received.

24/224 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mawson declared an interest in respect of agenda item number 9
Cllr Taylor declared an interest in respect of agenda item number 12.

**24/225 CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION OF
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Agenda item number 15.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public raised various items which included:-

- The litter adjacent to the shops on Holderness Drive. The parishioner was advised that this was a matter for RMBC Environmental Health as the bins were sited on private land. RMBC Ward Cllr Taylor agreed to report the issue on his behalf.

- Several people are litter picking at different locations throughout the village. Would it be possible for the Clerk to put something on the Parish Council website to coordinate the litter picking days and advise RMBC Environmental Health of the action taken? The Clerk confirmed that she would put further information on the website and contact the RMBC officer.

END OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

24/226 ONGOING ISSUES

- The Clerk updated members on her conversation with Whiston Youth Club. They have advised her that they do not work to any objectives and that all activities are entirely youth-led. To continue with the youth club in Aston, utilising the services of Youth Work Works, an additional support worker will be required to work alongside the 2 youth workers that are already employed. This will allow up to 40 children to attend each session and will cost £6716.80 per year for 40 sessions.

Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk be authorised to accept the quote from Youth Work Works and continue the youth club sessions in 2025.

- Contractors are due to start work on the play area at Lodge Lane on Thursday, 14 November and should be finished by 6 December 2024. The Clerk has given notice of the work being undertaken on social media and has also advised the local football teams of the restricted parking facilities while the work is carried out. It is hoped to extend an invitation to the local primary school to use the new equipment on completion.
- The Clerk advised members of the costs involved to lock up Burgoyne Park each evening and at weekends to alleviate the anti-social problems that are being experienced by local residents. The Clerk is yet to receive a quote from RMBC and will follow this up with them prior to the December meeting.

In the meantime, it was agreed that the Clerk be authorised to engage an alternative security company to carry out this duty on a trial basis of one month, commencing Monday, 18 November 2024. She will keep members informed of progress.

- A new timer has been fitted to the floodlights at Burgoyne Park however there still appears to be an issue. The contractor has been asked to return and rectify the problem as soon as he can.
- The Clerk informed members that the Christmas lights and decorations throughout the parish are due to be switched on either Friday, 29 November or Monday, 2 December, and that she awaits confirmation from the installation company. It is hoped that all Christmas lights and decorations will be switched on simultaneously this year.

24/227 FINANCE REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS

- The Clerk presented a paper detailing the Bank – Cash and Investment Reconciliation as at 31 October 2024. Following consideration it was agreed that the report be noted.
- It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts at Appendix I amounting to £27,050.47 be approved.
- The Clerk advised that there were no reimbursements due to the Clerk for the current month.

24/228 MATTERS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Mears asked that consideration be given to obtaining a permanent memorial in recognition of the past mining community of Aston-cum-Aughton,

Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk make enquiries with neighbouring villages that already have such memorials in place and look at possible sites for housing such a memorial. The matter will be brought back to a future meeting of the parish council.

24/229 MALTBY & ROTHER VALLEY LIONS

It was **RESOLVED** that a donation of £300 be sent to Maltby & Rother Valley Lions for their help stewarding this year's Bonfire and Fireworks Display at Burgoyne Park. The Clerk will contact them to let them know.

24/230 BURGOYNE PARK CAR PARK

The Clerk advised members that the car park at Burgoyne Park is not level where the tarmac meets the planings.

Following consideration it was agreed that the Clerk contact local companies to source new planings to remedy the situation.

24/231 POLICING INFORMATION/REPORTS

There were no police officers present and no reports received.

24/232 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Consideration was given to planning applications contained within **lists 41 – 45 (2024)**.

At the time comments were made on the following application only:-

RB2024/1431 Erection of 111 dwellings, associated highways, landscape, open space and drainage infrastructure – land south of Mansfield Road, Aston

The Clerk reminded members of a similar application submitted in 2019 to which they had objected, ref: **RB2019/1932 – Erection of 155 no. dwelling houses including access, associated infrastructure, landscaping, public open space and parking – site West of Mansfield Road, Aston** which is still undetermined.

Following consideration it was **RESOLVED** that objection be made to planning application RB2024/1431 on the basis that:-

- (i) it would result in an unacceptable high number of vehicle movements towards Swallownest, which would create unnecessary danger to local residents and adversely affect the residential amenity.
- (ii) no apparent consideration is given within the application to improve the local Health, Education and Roadway provision which is currently overstretched due to previous large developments.

RMBC Ward Cllr Taylor then took the opportunity to update members on the proposed new Solar Farm at Ulley, linked to Brampton and Kiveton Park, to advise that it is considered a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) therefore planning permission will not be required.

24/233 CLERK UPDATE

- The Clerk advised that the Christmas Nativity Crib Blessing will take place on Wednesday, 4 December, at 6.00pm at the Mansfield Road site followed by refreshments at Bethesda Church.

24/234 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Clerk requested that any suggestions for future Agenda items be received in the Parish Council office no later than the Monday of the week prior to the next parish council meeting.

24/235 FLOODLIGHTS AT BURGOYNE PARK

The Clerk informed members that she has received an email from the resident of Ulley complaining about the glare from the floodlights at Burgoyne Park towards his property to say that the problem now appears to have been resolved.

24/236 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the next Ordinary Parish Council meeting be held on Tuesday, 3 December 2024 at 6.30 pm.

MEETING CLOSED AT 7.50 PM

SIGNED **DATED**