



## 8. Grant Applications

The Council considered a Grant application from Garforth in Bloom in respect of one of the areas covered by the Aberford Parish. Similar requests have been submitted by them and granted in previous years. After discussion this was **AGREED** by all members. **ACTION:** Clerk to confirm acceptance to the applicant and arrange payment.

## 9. Bench replacement and/or the potential for an area of remembrance in Aberford village

Cllr Bradley referred to the recent theft of a memorial bench located near the south end of the village. Whilst a direct replacement is not required, she asked councillors to consider alternatives, such as placing a few more benches around the village, or alternatively a memorial plaque or garden. After discussion members asked that this item be tabled again at the next meeting to enable more time for consideration. **ACTION:** Clerk to include on the June meeting agenda.

## 10. Vandalism of Cattle Lane bus shelter

Councillors considered the options for repair following the above incident. After discussion it was **AGREED** by all members that the clerk will contact the original provider for a replacement glass panel quote and also contact Leeds City Council and insurers to establish the position regarding potential cost recovery. **ACTION:** Clerk to take forward and advise members in due course.

## 11. Posting on Aberford Forum regarding traffic problems in the village

Cllr Dickinson explained that she had drafted a posting to seek feedback from local residents in advance of the meeting scheduled with Ward Cllr Robinson and LCC Highways representatives on 21<sup>st</sup> May. After discussion it was **AGREED** by all members that this be done. **ACTION:** Cllr Dickinson to post on the forum and circulate feedback to members.

## 12. Meet the Councillors posting on Aberford forum

Cllr Dickinson said that this initiative is designed to improve the understanding of who the Parish Councillors are (and what they do) amongst local residents, many of whom use the Aberford forum on a regular basis. Members understood this but some concerns were expressed about councillor's personal information and opinions being posted on a social media site without Parish Council approval.

After further discussion, it was **AGREED** by all members that Cllr Dickinson will co-ordinate such postings with individual councillors who want to produce them. She will then liaise with the Clerk to agree the content. The Clerk will then ensure that the posting is mirrored on the Parish Council website. **ACTION:** Cllr Dickinson and the Clerk to review and agree any postings before implementation.

## 13. Correspondence received

Various items were presented by the clerk, with actions as detailed below;

- a. A complaint received from a local resident concerning parking of non-residents vehicles adjacent to local properties. **ACTION:** To be discussed at the meeting with Ward councillors and LCC highways representatives on 21<sup>st</sup> May. Clerk to send acknowledgement.
- b. A complaint received from a local resident concerning a recycled old waste bin which has been badly repositioned on cattle Lane on land which is within the boundary of The Watermill on a grade 2 listed wall. **RESOLVED:** This has been acknowledged and reported by the clerk to Leeds City Council.
- c. A complaint received from a local resident concerning HGV traffic through the village. **ACTION:** To be discussed at the meeting with Ward councillors and LCC highways representatives on 21<sup>st</sup> May. Clerk to send acknowledgement.
- d. A request from a local resident requesting that Lotherton Lane be included on the grass cutting schedule for the rest of the year. This has been reported by the clerk to Leeds City Council and is being followed up by Cllr Hogg. **ACTION:** Clerk to send acknowledgement.

#### 14. Finance

- a. To **note** the balances in the Parish Council's accounts- **NOTED as per attached bank reconciliation.**
- b. To **approve** the bank reconciliation as at 30.4.2021- **RESOLVED** (attached).
- c. To **approve** the Accounts for Payment- **RESOLVED** (attached).
- d. To **note** the receipt of £1,971.65 from HMRC in respect of VAT refunded to 31.3.21.

#### 15. Matters for Information

- Cllr Howson said that he is hoping to have the information board about Nellies Tree in place shortly. At the moment this is in York awaiting delivery.
- Cllr Bodey outlined the work he has done in identifying possible locations for funded tree planting and further areas for wildflowers which had originally arisen at the Outer North East Community meeting. He said that this will shortly be circulated to councillors for comments.

#### 16. Planning Matters

- a. To consider and comment on new planning applications/appeals

Planning/ Appeal ref	Address	Details
None received		

- b. To note the outcome of previous planning applications/appeals (if any)

Planning/ Appeal ref	Address	Details
20/08340/FU/NE	Parlington House Windmill Rise Aberford LS25 3EW	Single storey front extension  <b>APPLICATION REFUSED 28.4.21</b>
21/00779/FU/E	School Bungalow Aberford Road Garforth	Installation of dropped curb and tarmac driveway to residential property  <b>ACCEPTED 23.4.21</b>

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm. The Clerk confirmed that the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June, commencing at 7.30 p.m. Subject to Covid 19 lockdown rules the meeting will be held in the Oriel room.

## Minute 14

### **Bank Reconciliation**

#### **Aberford and District Parish Council**

#### **For the period 1 April - 30 April 2021**

Prepared by Peter Wigglesworth, Clerk to the Parish Council

Date: 12.5.21

Approved by the Parish Council

Date: 18.5.21

#### **Balance per bank statements as at 30 April 2021**

	£	£
Current Account	451.31	
Revenue Reserve	44,529.91	
Capital Reserve	11500.62	
Beckside Play Area Ground Resurfacing Fund	7500.37	
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	63,982.21	

Less uncleared cheques at 30 April 2020:

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#### **Net bank balances as at 30 April 2021**

**63,982.21**

**The net balances reconcile to the Cash Book (receipts and payments account) for the period as follows:**

#### **CASH BOOK**

Opening balance as at 1 April 2021	42,755.56
Add receipts 1 April 2021 to 30 April 2021:	22,032.00
Less payments for 1 April 2021 to 30 April 2021	<u>-805.35</u>
<b>Closing balance per cash book as at 30 April 2021</b>	<b>63,982.21</b>

#### Notes

Capital Reserve is set aside for Jubilee Field

Beckside Play Area Refurbishment Fund is set aside for resurfacing the play area (*minute 8 in Jan 2019 and minute 15.d in March 2020 minutes refer*)

#### **Accounts for payment:**

Details	Net	VAT	Total
EFT P Wigglesworth - salary May 21	347.13		347.13
P Wigglesworth - expenses to 18.5.2021; printing ink (£32), home allowance (£18), various stationery items (£25.01), mobile top up (£10), hand sanitiser (£11.97)	83.81	13.17	96.98
EFT YLCA membership renewal	568.00		568.00
EFT B Hopper (internal audit)	60.00		60.00
EFT Garforth in bloom	250.00		250.00
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<b>Total payments 28.04.21 -18.05.21</b>	<b>1,308.94</b>	<b>13.17</b>	<b>1,322.11</b>