

STOKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL
OPEN SPACES AND FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Open Spaces and Footpaths Committee
was held in the Town Hall, Stokesley on
Tuesday 22 January 2019 commencing at 7 pm

Open Spaces & Footpaths Committee Membership

Cllr Bryn Griffiths, Cllr Carol Lewis and Cllr Caroline Seymour, Cllr Graham Sowerby and Cllr Andy Wake.

Present: Cllrs Bryn Griffiths, Carol Lewis, Caroline Seymour and Andy Wake.
Clerk –Mrs Julie McLuckie.

1/22/01/19 NOTICE OF MEETING

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

2/22/01/19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None present.

3/22/01/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED to receive and accept the apologies received from Cllr Graham Sowerby.

4/22/01/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None declared.

5/22/01/19 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 JANUARY 2018

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2018 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

6/22/01/19 PLAY PARKS

- a. **RESOLVED** to receive the ROSPA Play Park Reports and that the recommendations contained within the report be actioned as soon as possible. This would include re-painting some of the equipment. The Clerk would arrange for the wooden pieces of equipment to have a full review to ensure there is no deterioration as well as arranging for them to be properly treated.
- b. **RESOLVED** that during 2019/20 the bins and signs be renewed and that the bark be topped up in the play areas all of which have been included in the budget for 2019/20.

7/22/01/19 TREE AND HEDGE WORK

RESOLVED that the following areas be maintained as follows (all avoiding bird nesting season):

Acres corner / Tanton Road – cut sides and top in Spring and September;

Tanton Road Triangle – face the hedge off the footpath, cut the top and trim grass edges – twice a year;

Riverslea and Malvern Bridges / Walkways – cut back the roadside path on the bridges twice a year;

The Mill Walkway – cut back off the path twice a year;

Paddock Walkway – face the footpath hedge and prune the trees twice a year;

Preston Way Walkway – to cut the hedges using the tractor cutter and tidy up by hand – twice a year;

Tameside Walkway – three hedges to be cut on the sides and the top twice a year.

Drying Ground – to clear and plant with appropriate shrubs.

In addition, subject to confirmation of ownership, Tanton Road to Strikes roundabout – hedge has not been cut for several years so need to cut back to original height and cut back off the main road once a year using a tractor hedge cutter.

NFU Walkway – residents to be written to advising them that the hedge maintenance is their responsibility and that they need to arrange for it to be cut back and giving them 30 days' notice to confirm when the work will take place. To advise them that if they do not complete the work that we will arrange for it to be cut but issue them the bill.

Trees – RESOLVED that our contractor carry out an annual health survey of all the trees across Stokesley and from that an annual programme of maintenance work.

8/22/01/19 FOOTPATHS

RESOLVED that the Clerk would liaise with the footpath clearance group that was established last year to see if they have any projects planned for the coming year.

9/22/01/19 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

- a. The 2018 Christmas lights had received a lot of favourable comments. It was noted that there had been some issues with timer switches and that this would be rectified for next year.
- b. **RESOLVED** to purchase the new lights for the roundabout, this has been added to the 2019/20 budget. In addition, the Clerk was asked to obtain costs to install a power supply to the trees on the opposite side to the West Green so that spheres can be hung in them to complete the West Green lighting.

10/22/01/19 OPEN SPACES – NEW DEVELOPMENTS

RESOLVED that the Clerk contact HDC Planning to ascertain the final agreements for the open spaces on both the new developments. The Town Council could then proactively encourage them to introduce agreed play equipment or wildlife areas etc based on the needs of the Town.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

SignedDate

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