**Present:** Cllr Tony Wood (Chair), Cllr Dario Elice (Vice Chair), Cllr Malcolm Foster, Cllr Sarah McIntosh,

Cllr Ben Fargher

1 resident of the village

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| 1. **Apologies**   None   1. **Minutes of the last meeting of 24th April 2023.**   Approved, taken as read and signed by the Chairman as being a true and accurate record.    **23 Matters Arising**  Some pot holes had been repaired. The village roads have not been swept by NY Highways despite several requests. Cllr Elice to chase up. Nigel Fargher has cut the verges and hedges on either side of Wandales Lane.  Dog fouling - Cllr McIntosh showed pictures of dog-poo dispensers that could be fixed to the bins in the village, cost £25 each. It was agreed it was worth giving these a try. Cllr McIntosh to purchase 2 and arrange for them to be fixed to the bins on Wandales Lane and the Welburn Road   1. **Declarations of Interest**   No additional declarations were made.   1. **Public Participation Session**   No issues were raised   1. **Financial Update & Approval of Payments**   The following payments were approved for the period April to June 2023   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | paid | date |  |  | | Zurich Municipal | Online TW/DE | 13.6.23 | Annual Insurance premium | £210.98 | | YLCA | Online TW/DE | 25.4.23 | Annual Subscription | £127.00 |  1. **End of Year Accounts, Exempt Certificate & Approval**   The internal audit of the end of Year Accounts had been completed by Colin Payne, and the Exempt Certificate submitted to the external auditors prior to the final date of June 30th.     1. **Village Hall – Annual Report**   A report has still not been received from the Village Hall Committee. The Chair is currently off-duty for health reasons and an email was received from the secretary at midday today requesting assistance in finding an alternative and expressing concern at the cost of the electricity needed to keep the hall warm and dry. A reply was sent suggesting that a committee member should stand as acting chair and a copy of the accounts subsequently received which showed that the village hall has sufficient funds for the time being.   1. **Planning Applications**   The following applications have been received and inspections made:  ZE23/00684/CAT - Tree felling, 2 Wandales Cottages – No objection  ZE23/00334/CAT - Tree removal Ketton, School Lane – No objection  ZE23/00816/CAT - 8 trees to be felled, 2 East End Cottages – No objection     1. **Neighbourhood Plan**   A public meeting was held in the village hall on the 29th June to discuss the proposal to produce a Neighbourhood Plan. 26 people attended and there was a large majority in favour of producing a Plan. 10 people volunteered to help on the Working Group; this number has been reduced to 6, 3men and 3 women, and the first meeting is to be held on Wednesday 2nd August.   1. **Bulmer Parish Council Website**   Cllr. Elice stated that the new village website is now online (bulmer-pc.co.uk) and each Councillor would be given a new email address to use. This is required for transparency reasons to ensure that proper records are kept and that they can be checked should the need arise. Cllr Elice will contact each Councillor to arrange their new email address. The cost for the website and email addresses is £60 per year.   1. **Village Noticeboard**   Cllr McIntosh confirmed that Alistair Triffitt is planning to install the new noticeboard in August, precise date to be confirmed. This consists of a lockable aluminium noticeboard  15xA4 (H)1050x(W)1182mm by “wonder wall products ltd” on a large ply backboard. Approximate cost £1160. Cllr McIntosh to order the aluminium noticeboard so we have it before work starts and confirm the installation date with Mr Triffitt so that the Parish Council can remove the old noticeboards on the previous day.   1. **Community Speed Watch**   Following a training day in the Village Hall in June, the first Community Speed Watch session was held at 7am one day last week, measuring the speed of cars coming into the village from the east. In 45 minutes 42 cars were logged and 5 recorded at a speed of 35mph or above. The car owners will receive a letter from North Yorkshire Police and a visit from a police officer if they are caught 3 times within the County. The next session is on Wednesday 25th July. If anyone is interested in helping with CSW please contact Anne-Christine Titchener on [annechristinet@hotmail.com](mailto:annechristinet@hotmail.com)   1. **Vacancy for the Clerk**   The Parish Council still has no clerk. Anyone interested in the post or who knows someone who might be, please contact the Chair on [bulmerpc@btinternet.com](mailto:bulmerpc@btinternet.com)   1. **AOB**   Cllr Foster confirmed that he had spoken to the tenants of Huffkins Cottage about the bushes growing over the footpath / road at the bottom corner at the east end of the village. They agreed that they needed cutting back and said they would do this themselves. Cllr Foster to confirm when this has been done.   1. **Next Meetings**   Next meetings: 7pm 30th October 2023, and 29th January 2024 in the Village Hall.  The meeting closed at 7.45pm.  Signed Chair Bulmer Parish Council | Action  DE  SM  DE  SM  MF |