

OWMBY-BY-SPITAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
14th March 2023
St Peters and St Pauls Church, Owmbly by Spital
commencing at 7pm.

Chaired by Cllr Crompton-Howe

Present Cllrs Leah, Mellor, Swift and Welch

Public – Non Present

Meeting commenced at 7.01pm

NOTES

15/2023 To receive reports from County & District Councillors & Police, if present – Reports were circulated and noted.

Cllr Summers attended the meeting. He shared with us that he is retiring as councillor and will not stand in the forthcoming election after 21 years of service.

He shared the plans for RAF Scampton which are currently in the balance due to talks with the MOD.

Councillor Initiative Fund will be renewed in April. There is also the Community Grants Fund available over 4 years.

OPC wished to place on record thanks for the work he has done over the years of which some has resulted in the development of the community field.

16/2023 Apologies for Absence - To receive and accept apologies where valid reasons for absence have been given to the Parish Clerk prior to the meeting. – None

17/2023 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of Interests and any written requests for dispensation – None declared

18/2023 To approve as a correct record the notes of following meetings of the Parish Council and to authorise the Chairman to sign the official minutes

- Meeting held on 17 January 2023 - **RESOLVED**

19/2023 CPC Update

- Events Update – Easter Fun Day is planned.
- Accounts Update - **NOTED**
- Swings update – the swings are ready for collection. Cllr Widdison is arranging.
- Health and Safety Update – Cllr Moulson continues to carry out monthly Health and Safety Checks.
- Grant Update – Igas - Pending, Awards for All - Pending, £479.00 - CIF – Awarded for the bench and OPC **RESOLVED** to add £100 to the donation in order to purchase a bench. It was agreed to add a plaque in recognition of Cllr Summers contributions to the Community Park.
- Thanks were **NOTED** to those involved in planting trees, bulbs and laying paths in the community park.

20/2023 Cemetery update –

Cllr Mellor provided quotes for water butts It was **RESOLVED** to purchase 2 from Wickes @ £32 each.

It was **NOTED** that 2 plots are to be relinquished. Funds will be initially reimbursed by WLDC. OPC and NPC will reimburse WLDC when a further plot is sold. This course of action will enable the plots to be resold at the current value.

The cemetery is currently looking in good order with the bulbs growing that were planted last year. Thanks were **NOTED** for the volunteers who trimmed the hedge and raised the canopies of the cherry trees to ease grass cutting.

21/2023 Planning Applications

146286 – Following investigation this council has no objections.

146357 – Following investigation this council has no objections.

22/2023 Consider quotes for Grass cutting tender – Cemetery\Community Park

RESOLVED to appoint AJ Williams

23/2023 Policies –

- Cemetery Policy – Review amendments. – **RESOLVED**
- Data Breach Policy - **RESOLVED**
- Subject Access Request - **RESOLVED**
- Data Protection Policy - **RESOLVED**

24/2023 Finance Matters

- Annual schedule of payments - **RESOLVED**
- Appointment of internal auditor – **RESOLVED** to continue with Dave Harford
- Payroll provider change – **RESOLVED** to accept recommendation from outgoing provider
- Clerks Salary payment method – **RESOLVED** to switch to payment by standing order to ensure prompt payment.

Balance b\f

	Current	Reserve	Total
bf	£1,790.49	£4,123.12	£5,913.61

Receipts –

Drapers		80.00
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Payments to be approved retrospectively

Pay\Exp Jan 2023		202.80
Postage		2.85
Pay\Exp Feb 2023		203.00
	Total	£408.65

Other payments to be approved

Cemetery gates	Half share to NPC	823.57
Memorial Permit	Half share to NPC	40.00

LALC Subscription		146.85
LALC ATS		120.00
Total		£1,130.42

Balance c\f –

cf	£331.42	£4,123.12	£4,454.54
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Invoices arriving after Agenda published

SLCC Membership		£56.00
Business Rates		£191.24
Total		£247.24

cf	£84.18	£4,123.12	£4,207.30
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All payments **RESOLVED**.

25/2023 Next meeting

Monday 17 April – Joint Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 16 May – Annual Parish Council Meeting

Meeting closed at 20:30