



The monthly meeting of the Danby Group Parish Council took place on **Wednesday 14th March 2018** at Castleton Village Hall.

Present : Councillors: I Dodsworth (Chair), P Stonehouse, J Day, E Watson, I Margetts and J. Preston (Clerk).

1. **Declarations of Interest** None declared.

2. **Apologies for absence** Cllr's Banner, Rudsdale, Findlay, Caffry.

3. **Minutes** – The Minutes of the meeting held 14th February 2018 were accepted by resolution as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. **Matters Arising**

The Clerk advised all issues raised by members at last month's meeting had been reported and actioned by the appropriate authority. No specific update however had been received from SBC regarding the leaking roof at the Castleton toilet block.

5. **External reports** None presented.

The Police Report had been circulated separately in advance of the meeting and published on the website.

6. **Planning**

Planning application NYM/2018/0088/FL regarding the installation of external insulation and rendering of the house and garage at 10 Strait Lane, Ainthorpe. Resolved - No objection.

7. **Accounts**

The monthly breakdown of accounts was presented – accepted by resolution.

The Court Leet Jury had again kindly donated £400 towards costs incurred maintaining areas of Common.

8. **Housing Needs Survey**

Members resolved to accept the offer from SBC to conduct a housing needs survey.

9. **Village Caretaker / Toilet Cleaning**

Members gave consideration to combining the role of the Village Caretaker and Toilet Cleaning. The Clerk advised this approach would possibly be problematic as grants were received from SBC and the NYMNPA which were specifically earmarked as being contributions towards the cost of caretaking and separately towards the cost of toilet cleaning. It was explained that even if the roles were combined it would still be necessary to apportion costs under specific budget heads. Accordingly members agreed for the roles to remain separate. The toilet cleaning agreement will however need to be revisited when SBC give notification as to the date for closure of the Danby toilets.

10. **General Data Protection Regulations**

Removed from the agenda pending the Clerk's attendance at two training courses.

11. **Annual Parish Assembly**

The Annual Parish Assembly will take place on Wednesday 11th April, 6.30pm in advance of the routine Parish Council meeting. The Clerk advised Heather King, the Local Liaison Officer for Sirius Minerals Plc had been invited to attend as a guest speaker to provide an update as to progress / the future of Boulby mine. Members went on to discuss the structure of the meeting and felt the time was right to move

Signed as a true record:(Chair) Date:

away from what had become a traditional format involving the presenting reports in respect of the two village schools, the two village halls, the Joseph Ford Trust etc. A great deal of time and effort went into commissioning / preparing these reports which related to matters the Parish Council had not funded and had no influence over. The purpose of the meeting was to allow the electorate to hear about and question what the Parish Council had accomplished during the preceding year.

12. Correspondence

The Clerk briefed members in respect of correspondence received from NYMNPA regarding the condition of land / roadside verges as a result of visitors to the Seated man Sculpture – in brief as per the conditions of the planning permission the landowner had been tasked with resolving the problems.

Diary Dates:

- Meeting of the Yorkshire Coast & Moors County Area Committee. Wednesday 21st March 10:30am in the Council Chambers, Scarborough.
- Meeting of the Northern Area parish Forum. Tuesday, 10 April 2018 at 7pm – Ley Hall, Lealholm

13. Highways and other issues raised / to be reported

13.1 Langburns's Bank, Castleton. It seems a vehicle has crashed into a plastic grit bit and thereafter demolished an 'advanced warning' road sign.

13.2 At the junction of High Street and Dibble Bridge Bank, Castleton a road sign (direction board) is in a very poor state of repair with one of the support posts rotted right through.

13.3 Easton Lane near the footpath which drops down onto Ainthorpe Lane – a fairly large pothole has developed around a cast iron access cover in the road.

13.4 Castle Close / Rear of 19 Church Street – Court Leet to be asked about stones placed around possible area of common land.

Meeting Closed 7:45pm

**Next meeting 7pm, Wednesday 11th April 2018
(Immediately following the Annual parish Assembly)**