

Minutes of the Roos Parish Council meeting held in the Memorial Institute Roos on Monday 9th May 2022

Present: Cllrs D Winter (Chair), W Ainley, T Cook, M Devanney, M Maltas and K Tyson.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs A Dodson and B Nisbet.

1. Consideration of Councillor's declaration of interests

There were no changes declared by members to the register of interests.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th April 2022

These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

Matters arising from the minutes

3. Longbrough Lane highway

It was reported that ERYC was still investigating the actual status of the lane.

4. Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

It was reported that 150 jubilee china mugs had been ordered of which 124 would be handed to the school for distribution to the pupils and it was agreed that the remainder be sold to the general public at £3.00 each.

It was further agreed that £3,750.00 in cash be drawn from the bank account for eventual allocation to the organising committee for which receipts totalling £2,033.90 had already been submitted by that committee.

5. Code of Conduct and Defibrillator training at Tunstall

It was reported that the Chair and Clerk had reviewed the Code of Conduct and it was considered that no modifications were required at present to which the Council concurred with their recommendation.

The Clerk reported that Mr Megson had agreed to provide defibrillator training for the benefit of Owstwick and Tunstall residents at Tunstall Village Hall at 7pm on the 8th June and that he would ask Cllrs Cook and Nisbet to ensure that their respective parishioners are made aware of the session details.

6. Proposed Jubilee wood

It was reported that Cllr Dodson had been in contact with the landowners of an area of land at North End for possible planting as a jubilee wood and that they were not interested in the site being developed as a woodland area.

7. Proposed memorial seat

It was reported that it may be possible to accommodate a further seat on the village green and that discussions with the family of the late Mrs Sennett were to be held to discuss and agree a suitable site for location of the proposed seat.

8. The Pinfold

As Cllr Dodson was not in attendance it was reported that quotations would be obtained by him for two new wooden planters at the next meeting.

Correspondence

The Clerk reported that he had previously circulated to members the ERYC adult learning poster and the communication from Mr Mathison with regard to the possibility of erecting statues in Roos to commemorate the author JRR Tolkien's stay in the area.

Cllr Ainley produced a book entitled "The Gallant Edith Bratt" Tolkien's wife and inspiration for which he had provided some information/images prior to publication and it was agreed that Mr Mathison be informed that the Council is fully aware of the importance of Tolkien in Roos and the type of statues he envisaged being erected.

Planning

Erection of single storey extension to side/front and erection of single storey detached garage following removal of existing garage at Berriedale Pinfold Lane Roos - 22/01440/PLF

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above application.

9. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer sought and received approval for payment of the following accounts:-

MPH Accountancy - internal audit of accounts 2021/22 - £84.00
Central Design Ceramics - supply of 150 Jubilee mugs - £699.60
Cash - for payments to Jubilee organising committee - £3750.00

Audit report - It was agreed to certify the Council as exempt from a limited assurance review following the internal auditor signing off the accounts for 2021/22 following which the annual governance statement followed by the accounting statements were duly approved and signed.

Any other business

10. Overgrown hedge at Eastfield House Pilmar Lane

It was agreed to refer the issue of the overgrown hedge to ERYC for attention which was impeding people with prams and users of mobility vehicles.

11. Robert De Ros

Cllr Devanney commented that De Ros was far more important to Roos than Tolkien and that consideration should be given to commemorating him rather than Tolkien.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held in the Memorial Institute on Monday 13th June 2022 commencing at 7.30pm unless otherwise advised.