

c. It was agreed in principle that the Parish Council would fund a suitable memorial for Roger Lee, probably in the form of a bench with the location to be agreed at a later date.

d. The Clerk had received notification of £460 in double taxation to come to the PC but this had not yet been received from CYC.

e. Funds available: £13,074.00

The Clerk explained that she had put 40% of the £437 fees into the NBG into the Burial Ground Future maintenance fund.

243 BURIAL GROUNDS:

- a. There had been 1 burial in the Natural Burial Ground.
- b. HB had done much work overseeing the gardener to really get to grips with the shrubs that were getting too big. His bill would be over the quoted price for cutting the shrubs as there was so much work done. All were agreed that they were happy with this. HB said there was still work to be done.
- c. HB proposed that the Clerk's remuneration for work done, over and above Clerking, dealing with burials should go from 10% to 15% of fees brought in from 1 April 2020. This was seconded by PR and agreed.
- d. It was agreed that as of 1 April 2020 the base rate per plot would go to £600 for Parish residents with progressively higher rates for York and non-York residents.

244 BUDGET/PRECEPT FOR 2020/2021:

The draft Budget was proposed and agreed and the Precept agreed at £10,900, just £100 up on last year. The Precept Notice was signed following agreement.

245 COMMUNICATIONS:

This would come off the agenda unless there was something important to discuss and agree.

246 PLANNING:

19/02218/FUL 4 Victoria Farm Close for variations in Conditions 2 and 3 of permitted application had been approved. The Parish Council had questioned the Officer in charge of the application as it was at odds with the Neighbourhood Plan. All agreed that the Planning Officer's explanation was acceptable.

19/02663/FUL 18 Bradley Lane for a single storey extension following demolition of conservatory: there were no objections but RwK10 of the Neighbourhood Plan would be flagged up in the response. The PC would also ask for a condition on any approval to make sure any damage occurring to the privately maintained road would be put right.

247 CYCLE PATH:

Rufforth end: The Clerk would follow up on the Land Registry of the path with the solicitor. HB would set AJT Garden Services on to do the shrubs.

Knapton end: Dog bins and signage are still to go up but it is very well used.

Hedgerow planting has now been completed on Section C of the path (over the hill past gun club road) in accordance with agreement with the Parish Council.

248 RUFFORTH:

Allotments: Soil test should be agreed and the contract out by mid January. The soil test will take 2/3 months. There is to be a meeting between Dave Meigh (CYC Officer in charge of the project), the allotment holders and PR.

Pinfold: JW reported that they'd been out collecting reclaimed coping stones and work should start shortly. School is on board with it now.

Pond: When work has been done by CYC to the drainage in the pond the gates will need to be maintained. The gates are in a satisfactory state but they need new posts. The Clerk will ask the

Rufforth shop owner to remove the pink sign and get an update on drainage work around West Cottage from Jim Cavanagh (CYC Highway drainage).

Southfield Lane: Cllr Anne Hook had met up with HB to look at the state of the lane and discuss what could be done. AH would speak to Highways on the Highways part of the lane. The French drain alongside the lane needs excavating and redoing as it has all fallen in. AH had been in touch with Richard Hoyland (CYC PROWO) and he had also been in touch with Highways. PR will discuss with the chairman of the Playing Fields Association the part of the lane that belongs to them.

There was now a school crossing patrol officer working outside Rufforth school.

249 KNAPTON: Knapton Recreational Field

This would go on the next agenda.

250 YLCA YORK BRANCH QUESTIONS FOR NEIL FERRIS (CYC Corporate Director of Economy and Place):

The Clerk would send the agreed questions to YLCA as asked for.

251 PARISH COUNCIL CHARTER:

There had been an email from Cllr Smalley asking for information on the problems we had been experiencing with CYC. There is to be a liaison meeting at the Mansion House on 4 February. PR and the Clerk will attend.

252 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:

- a. Rural West Ward Team: no meetings scheduled.
- b. YLCA: The next meeting would be 6 February 2020. Neil Ferris (CYC Corporate Director of Economy and Place) would be attending to talk about Council efficiency.
- c. Yorwaste: The next meeting would be on 27 January 2020 at 3pm. PR expressed his frustration with CYC as Npower had completed their work in the Summer 2019 and Yorwaste had shown the Liaison meeting the design back in September. CYC are now saying they won't schedule the work until the designs are done despite saying the work would be carried out at the beginning of 2020.

253 POLICE REPORT: Nothing reported for December despite an attempted break in in Rufforth. JW will attend the next police meeting and ask questions. Police had been out on the airfield on 5 January.

254 CORRESPONDENCE: None to report

256 MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

Knapton Recreational Field, Grievance and Disciplinary Policies

257 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on Monday 3 February 2020 in the Rufforth Village Institute at 7.30pm.

PR thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.40 pm

Signed _____ Chairman _____ Date _____

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