**DATE: Wednesday 25 October. 2023**

**TIME: 19.00 hrs**

**LOCATION: West Tanfield Memorial Hall**

**PRESENT:** Councillors David Dumbleton (Chairman), Peter Hull, Judi Horner, and Anthony Mainprize

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Alison E Carter (Clerk)

**PRESENT:** North Yorkshire Council Councillor David Webster and members of the public Bob Mundy, Helen Baker,

 Nathan Baker, Tony Morris, Marianne Pamment, Judith Hogan, Steve Jones, Eric Roberts, Laura Jayne

 Blainey-Roberts, Neil Harrison, Geoff Nunn and a number of Nosterfield Residents.

1. **WELCOME FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

 Councillor Dumbleton welcomed all to the meeting.

1. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

 There were no declarations of interest or request for dispensation.

1. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS – See below.**
2. **APOLOGIES TO BE RECEIVED AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE ACCEPTED**

No apologies were received for the meeting.

1. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING –** The minutes of the meeting held on 23 August, 2023, were agreed as a true

record and signed by the Chairman.

1. **ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
	1. Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – One new application received:

Application received from Tanfield Parish Council for £470, from the CIL funds, for the cost of removing the ivy and

old plants from the two large planters on Nosterfield Village Green and replacing the planters with new soil and new

plants/bulbs to improve the area. Funding granted the sum of £470.

* 1. Public Footpath – West Tanfield to Nosterfield Nature Reserve – North Yorkshire Council have replied to the Parish

 Council with regards to the possibility of a footpath linking West Tanfield to the Nature Reserve, outlining that there

 are a number of unknowns in the area, and that the estimated cost of the footpath would be in the region of £75,000,

 however, this does not include any detailed designs or a construction site supervisor. North Yorkshire Council stated

 that the Council does not have any funding for the project. The Parish Council are keen to pursue the Footpath project

 and will try to seek funding where possible. The Parish Clerk to write to local organisations to see if there is any

 funding available. The Parish Clerk to write to the landowner of the field next to the highway to enquire about the

 possibility of a footpath over a small part of the field as an alternative to using the Highway.

* 1. Nosterfield Village Planters – Note application for CIL funds as outlined in item 6.1. The Parish Council agreed the

 quote for the work from JCS Services at £470 for the work to remove the plants and soil in the planters and replace

 with new soil and appropriate bulbs and plants.

* 1. Flooding – The Bull, Main Street, West Tanfield – Following emails and correspondence sent to North Yorkshire

 Council from the Parish Council. Christopher Bourne-Arton and representatives from The Bull. Representatives

 from North Yorkshire Council carried out site visits and have agreed to carry out works to the drainage systems next

 to The Bull, this when completed should alleviate the potential flooding risk.

1. **SPEEDING VEHICLES THROUGH WEST TANFIELD VILLAGE –**The Parish Council has received a number of

 messages, verbally and in writing from residents of West Tanfield expressing concerns of speeding vehicles through the

 village of West Tanfield. Vehicles speeding in the road near to the school, passed the village church on the way to Masham

 and along passed the post office as well as on the road from West Tanfield out towards Nosterfield Quarry. A discussion

 took place around the messages received and the Parish Councillors agreed to invite a representative from North

 Yorkshire Council who is responsible for Vehicle Activated Speed Cameras.

1. **SPEED REDUCTION AND SPEEDING VEHICLES THROUGH NOSTERFIELD –** The Parish Council has written

 to the Local Council on a number of occasions requesting that a speed reduction along the B6267, through Nosterfield

 village. The Parish Council last wrote on 8 September, 2023, asking North Yorkshire Council to consider the reduction

 again, following the recent housing being built along the B6267, the authority wrote back stating “In relation to vehicle

 speeds through Nosterfield, the current 40mph speed limit has been set in line with the guidance Setting Local Speed

 limits. The level of roadside development within the village extents along the B6267, in combination with the

 characteristics of the carriageway being open benefitting from good visibility, it is deemed that the current limit is

 acceptable. Having reviewed the collision data, publicly available through our website, we can see no record of any

 incident nor accident relating to speeds within the last six years.” And “Should the Parish continue to be concerned

 about speeding vehicles through Nosterfield, this can be reported via our website. Information is also available here

 about taking part in a community speed watch allowing volunteers to assist the police with monitoring speeds and

 identifying drivers breaking such limits.”

 <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/road-safety/speed-limits-speeding-and-road-safety-concerns>

 Several residents from Nosterfield attended the Parish Council meeting to outline their concerns of the speed limit of 40

 miles an hour on the stretch of the B6267 through Nosterfield Village, as well as the concerns that the vehicles travelling

 along this stretch of road travel at greater speeds than 40miles an hour. Several residents had sent a paper to the Parish

 Council outlining the concerns of the speed limit and reasons why this speed needs to be reduced, prior to the meeting.

 The residents received the support of the Parish Council with regards to the need for a speed reduction and or some

 traffic calming measures. The Parish Council agreed with the need to reduce the speed limit and that the Parish Council

 had written to the local Council on a number of occasions over the last few years.

 The matter of a few of the road signs on the B6267, travelling from the Masham to the A1 side, were not clearly visible

 from the road. The Parish Clerk agreed to write to North Yorkshire Council with regards to the matter of the signs.

1. **VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED CAMERA –** The Parish Councillors, after discussion agreed that they would purchase

 a Vehicle Activated Speed Camera, at a cost of approx. £3500 plus VAT, the camera can be moved to various locations

 in the Parish (once the appropriate infrastructure has been installed). The Parish Council will apply to The Locality

 Budgets for funding towards the cost of the camera and potentially use some CIL funds. Prior to the installation of the

 Camera, and its eventual location/s in the Parish, surveys can be carried out at a cost of £110 plus VAT per location, to

 establish if the camera is required.

 The Parish Clerk to write to North Yorkshire Council to invite an officer to attend the next Parish Council meeting to

 outline specific details with regards to the camera and answer any questions the Parish Councillors have re the

 installation of the camera.

1. **D-DAY 80 – 6th JUNE, 2024** – To note local communities are being encouraged to light beacons across the County to mark

 the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings.

1. **BEDALE AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM –** It was agreed the Parish Council would send a representative to

the Bedale and Villages Community Forum Meetings in the future. Parish Councillor A Mainprize agreed to be the

 representative. The next meeting will be held in Bedale Hall Ballroom on 7 December, 2023.

1. **DONATION TO CITIZENS ADVICE –** The Parish Council agreed to make a financial donation of £200 to Citizens

Advice.

1. **FINANCIALS**
	1. The Parish Council approved the bank balance at 30 September, 2023.

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| **Bank Balances as at 30/09/2023:** |
| NatWest Current a/c - \*\*\*\*4884 |  | £3,168.85 |
| NatWest Business Reserve a/c - \*\*\*\*2668 | £25,314.66 |
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| **TOTAL** | **£28,483.51** |
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| **Payments to be approved and recorded:**  |
| *Payee* | *Details* |  |
| AECarter | Clerks Expenses Aug | £62.80 |
| DTMS | Caretaker Duties June/July/Aug | £326.40 |
| DTMS | Caretaker Duties April/May | £244.80 |
| Tanfield Sports and Recreation  | Donation to Village Show | £100.00 |
| JCS | Grass Cutting Aug | £335.00 |
| AECarter | Clerks Wages Aug | £186.72 |
| HMRC | PAYE Aug | £46.60 |
| PKF Littlejphn LLP | External Accountant | £252.00 |
| **TOTAL** |  | **£1,554.32** |
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| **Receipts to be recorded:**  |  |  |
| *Received From* | *Details* |  |
| North Yorkshire Council  | Precept | £4,300.00 |
| **TOTAL** |  | **£4,300.00** |

* 1. No payments made or monies received prior to or at this meeting.

1. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**
	1. To consider any applications and agree responses to the consultations being carried out by the planning authority,

No planning applications received.

* 1. The following update and decision on applications, appeals and enforcement investigations was received since the

 last meeting. Planning Application ZB23/01331/FUL the construction of a new dwelling with associated

 landscaping, following the full demolition of the existing (ruined) dwelling and garage as amended by plans

 received on 4 and 7 September, 2023. The Old Rectory, Main Street, West Tanfield, North Yorkshire, was granted.

1. **CORRESPONDENCE –** The Clerk reported on items received, as previously circulated to the Chair and Councillors,

 correspondence received in September/October 2023, including PKF Littlejohn AGAR Notice on completion of Parish

 Council accounts for 2022/23, Yorkshire Local Council Associations correspondence on Chair’s discussion Forum, YLCA

 Hambleton Branch Meeting, White Rose Bulletins and , North Yorkshire Police announcing the retirement of the Chief

 Constable.

1. **DATES FOR 2024 PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS –** The dates for the Parish Council meetings to be held in 2024 were

 agreed.

1. **NEXT MEETING**

 To be held on Wednesday 22 November, 2023 Ordinary Parish Council Meeting, to be held at West Tanfield Village Hall,

 commencing at 7 pm.

**18. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING**

 Setting the Parish Council Precept 2024/25.

 Grass Cutting Contract 2024 (for three years)

 Hedge Cutting in the Parish

Meeting closed at 19:46 hrs.

These minutes were recorded and prepared by Alison E Carter, Clerk to the Parish Council.

**SIGNED: (Chairman)**

**DATE: …………………………………………………………………….**