

## Arkholme with Cawood Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Monday 7 October 2024

**Present:** Cllrs David Howarth, Helen Dinsdale, James Huddleston, Chris Preston, Co Cllr Phillippa Williamson and the Clerk, Claire Helme.

#### **Presentation of the Hopewell Cup:**

The Chair, Cllr Howarth, presented the engraved Hopewell Cup to Bethany and Robyn Sapsford who are the winners this year. The category this year was for the tallest sunflower and the Sapsford family were congratulated on their winning entry. Runners up were Beryl Waddington and Isabelle Scully.

1 **Apologies:** City Cllr James Sommerville

2 **Declaration of conflicts of interest:** None declared

3 **Minutes of the last meeting:**

Cllr Dinsdale proposed acceptance of the minutes of 1 July 2024, this was seconded by Co Cllr Williamson and was signed as a true record by Cllr Howarth.

4 **Finance:**

a) Cheque no 000737 for £424.45 for the Clerk's wages July/Aug/Sept was approved.

Proposed Cllr Huddleston

Seconded Co Cllr Williamson

b) Cheque no 000738 for £79 for the Clerk's reimbursement of Hopewell Cup prizes (£60) and Hopewell Cup engraving (£19).

Proposed Cllr Huddleston

Seconded Co Cllr Williamson

c) Bank reconciliation

The Clerk reported that the balance of the account at Lloyds stands at £8,865.19 and after cheques agreed as above the balance will stand at £8,361.74. After deduction of unallocated PROW grants of £1,400 the balance stands at £6,961.74.

The Clerk reported that Lloyds Bank at Kendal is closing in February and that the Parish Council needs to action opening an account at Unity Trust. All councillors voted in favour of going ahead with opening an online account at Unity as soon as possible.

5. **Planning updates:**

**24/00718/FUL** Bay Horse Hotel, Kirkby Lonsdale Road, Arkholme, LA6 1AS.

Removal of existing bowling green and creation of two racket sports courts with enclosures and construction of acoustic fence to part of boundary.

Application refused.

#### **Tree works:**

**24/0117/TCA** Ivy Cottage, Main Street, Arkholme, LA6 1AX

Ash (T1) – fell to ground level due to Ash Dieback

Sycamore (T2) – 20% thin and crown reduction

Application permitted.

**24/0134/TCA** 10 Herb Gardens, Arkholme, LA6 1RA

Willow hedge/screen – repollard the row, Oak – remove lowest branch and thin and reduce by 30%.

Application permitted.

**24/0162/TPO** 11 Herb Gardens, Arkholme, LA6 1RA

Horse Chestnuts (T1/T2/T3/T4) – reduce by up to 3m in height and reduce the sides by up to 2.5m.

Horse Chestnut (T5) - fell

Awaiting decision.

6 **Parish Council website/.gov email address:**

The website is progressing well although there is still editing to do and there are a few amendments to be made. The Clerk will go for training at A2A on Wednesday so that she is able to edit the website. Cllr Dinsdale has produced a document on the history of Arkholme that can be added later and there are also some maps both ancient and modern of the parish. There is no rush for all the material to be added immediately as management of the website will be ongoing. The new webmail email address of [clerk@arkholmewithcawood-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@arkholmewithcawood-pc.gov.uk) is up and running and will meet all of the new NALC requirements for .gov domains.

7 **Public Rights of Way:**

- The gate on Footpath 2, Locka Lane has been replaced by the landowner.
- The sign at Meadowlands, Footpath 5, still needs to be replaced but the PROW team would prefer installation to be completed by the Parish Council although are happy to supply the footpath sign but would prefer to deliver more than one at a time.

8 **Christmas:**

Cllr Huddleston has already ordered the Christmas tree and plans to install it on the last Thursday in November. The first Saturday in December was provisionally set for an opening event with the Vicar as per last year. The pillar feed should be checked electrically this year.

9 **Risk Assessment:**

Cllr Howarth will do this in due course but there is nothing urgent.

10 **Village pounds:**

Nothing to report although both are looking untidy. It was noted that some work had been done on the smaller pound recently.

11 **PACT report:**

There were 12 crimes reported overall in the constabulary area in July with one crime of anti-social behaviour reported on Meadoway in Arkholme. In August, there were 7 crimes reported overall with one report in the violence/sex offence category reported on Carus Park, Arkholme.

12 **Additional business:**

- Cllr Dinsdale has a book on the history of Arkholme that she is prepared to lend out and if anyone is interested they should contact her.
- Cllr Howarth reported that a pothole on Locka Lane had been repaired within 48 hours although some smaller ones were ignored. The pothole in the middle of Whittington has also been repaired.
- Speeding bikes were heard on Sunday mid-morning accelerating near Sunny Bank and there have been a number of accidents there; the Parish Council will investigate the possibility of a 50mph speed limit at Sunny Bank and also of a Stop sign at the junction outside the Bay Horse.

**The meeting closed at 8.10pm.**

Claire Helme, Clerk, Arkholme with Cawood PC

