

Present; Councillors; Chalkley, Ripley, Barnsley, Bennett, Gordon, Hampshire, Hewitt, Kimbley, Robinson and Schofield.
Clerk to the Council; Barry Riley

In attendance; District Councillor; Cummings.
Interim Police Inspector Dobson, PCSO Hughes and assistant PCSO.

Angela Chalkley for the Constable & Pinders Charity.

11/771 Report from W.Y.Police Officers working on Crofton Safe Scheme

The Safe Scheme report for November was circulated to members.

Members were introduced to Gary Dobson the Interim Police Inspector due to the previous Police Inspector (see minute 10/752), moving elsewhere.

Inspector Dobson outlined the future plans for Policing in the Crofton area, he confirmed PS Matt Jackson would remain as the Safe Scheme Manager and took the opportunity to introduce PCSO Ben Hughes, as the Safe Scheme Officer for Crofton (benjamin.hughes@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk).

Cllr Kimbley asked if action could be taken to stop a car being parked on Thorntree Avenue in such a way that it was causing an obstruction to other motorists. Cllr Barnsley stated that the practice of parking cars on footpaths was getting worse, he had noted an elderly lady struggling to use the footpath on Oak Street due to the situation. Cllr Ripley had noted the ongoing practice of parents parking their cars within the zig zag lines of the pedestrian crossing when taking their children to school. The above comments were all duly noted by PCSO Hughes.

Cllr Robinson warned of the danger of the increasing use of off road vehicles on the cycle track to Doncaster Road from Santingley Lane which was regularly used by dog walkers. Inspector Dobson stated that there were plans in place to appoint more Police Officers to specifically deal with this problem.

Cllr Bennett commented that the provision of a 'drop box' for residents comments suggested at the recent PACT meeting, would be placed in the Parish Centre, PCSO Hughes would collect any information received.

11/772 Wakefield MDC District Councillors Report

Cllr Cummings provided an update on matters discussed at previous meetings; No further action would be taken regarding traffic calming on Ashdene Approach. A replacement bin for the one removed near Rectory Crescent would not be replaced as there was no stock available, or funding for any more.

The overhanging vegetation on Shay Lane which was obscuring signage would be dealt with.

Proposals to improve the safety at the Doncaster Road/Oakenshaw Lane junction would be undertaken from March 2019.

Following the investigation by WMDC Street Scene concerning Japanese Knotweed (see minute 10/753), Cllr Ripley asked for the details of the herbicide that was used.

Cllr Schofield asked for action to be taken to deal with the weeds growing out of the drains on Church Road/Harrison Road, he also requested the removal of rubbish.

Cllr Ripley asked Cllr Cummings to report the condition of the footpath on Weeland Road as it was unsuitable for pedestrians.

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Cllr Kimbley again asked for an update regarding the cast iron pipe repair on the Sidings (see minutes 06/695 and 10/753).

Cllr Bennett asked Cllr Cummings to provide updates from previous requests concerning the qualifications of Engineers within the WMDC Highways Dept; and if parking restrictions at Shay Lane/Harrison Road was on the list of works to be done. Cllr Hewitt requested that garden waste collections be extended as it was stopped at a time when it was needed, Cllr Cummings commented that to do so would result in an increase in Council Tax.

11/773 Public Participation session

No members of the public in attendance.

11/774 Apologies for absence

District Councillors; Heptinstall and Manifold.

11/775 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Chalkley declared his interest in Agenda item 13 donation to the Mining Museum.

11/776 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 09 October 2018, were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

11/777 Matters arising from previous minutes

Following receipt of the proposed Grounds Maintenance SLA received from WMDC (see minute 09/744), members agreed in principle to the proposal, the Clerk was asked to confirm details of the schedule and the dates for commencement and whether payment was in advance or arrears.

11/778 Community Facilities

Report Parish Centre

Cllr Ripley reported that;

He and Cllr Bennett had been to visit neighbouring properties to inform them of the intention to build a new centre, there were no objections received.

Arrangements would be made to hold a public consultation when the Architects drawings had been produced. A meeting would be arranged in December to enable matters to progress.

Report Village Association

Cllr Bennett reported that;

The CVA meeting would have to be rescheduled (see minute 10/759).

Cllr Hampshire volunteered his services to act as the Secretary for the CVA, Cllr Bennett duly noted the offer.

To assist with any requirements for the alarm system another member was needed in addition to the existing two named contacts, Cllr Robinson offered to do so.

Cllr Kimbley commented that he was not receiving the required notice to attend at the premises when PHS needed access, he also noted that the fire extinguisher was once again being used as a doorstep.

Report Allotments

Cllr Hewitt reported that;

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The allotment tenant who had been sent a reminder letter regarding the breach of his policy (see minute 09/739), had replied to the letter and had commenced clearing his allotment, the Clerk would write again to acknowledge receipt and the action being taken.

Cllr Hampshire informed members that tenants at Hare Park allotments 48 and 58 were in breach of the Allotment Policy, the Clerk was asked to send letters to them.

Report Parish Cemetery

Nothing to report.

Report Website

Cllr Gordon reported that;

A few more revisions have been needed to be made to the site before it goes live.

He informed members that there would be an additional cost of hosting the domain name which was a separate cost to hosting the site.

11/779 Traffic issues

(see minute 11/772).

11/780 Constable & Pinders Charity

Members duly noted the information received from HS2 regarding the effects of construction on the land owned by the Charity.

Following receipt of the letter from Dr. Hemingway to become a Trustee, Angela Chalkley also informed members that she had received an enquiry from someone wishing to be considered as a trustee. It was agreed to arrange a separate meeting and invite them to attend.

Cllr Barnsley would attend on behalf of the Parish Council in its capacity as a trustee.

11/781 Cleansing/Environment

Nothing to report.

11/782 Planning Notifications

Members duly noted the applications and decisions received.

11/783 Financial matters

Members were in agreement with the content of the monthly payments and receipts and bank reconciliation report for appropriate governance.

The Clerk provided members with a list of invoices for payment for the month of November 2018;

Resolved: that the following be approved and passed for payment:

<u>Cheque Number;</u>	<u>Payee;</u>	<u>Details;</u>	<u>£</u>
102771	Falon	Nampltes	161.16
102772	Hampshire	Windows	18.00
102774	WY.Police	Safe Scheme	1500.00
BACS	WMDC	Leases	72.50
BACS	Lady Haig	Poppys	50.00
BACS	WMDC	Leases	232.50
BACS	Npower	Electric	53.21
BACS	B&Q	Lights	8.00
DDebit	PHS	Hygeine Eqpt	4110.90
Total £			6206.27

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Having discussed making a donation to the Mining Museum, it was agreed that £100 would be given, the Clerk would prepare the payment upon receipt of documentation. Consideration was given to the offer from Hatch Communications (on behalf of Harron Homes), to provide sponsorship, however the offer was declined.

11/784 Consider and discuss correspondence received

Members noted the content of the information received.

11/785 HS2

Further to the recent meeting with HS2, Cllr Chalkley expressed his dissatisfaction with comments made by Wole Odetola (Engagement Manager HS2), that the Parish Council had agreed to certain works being carried out, such comments were denied and brought into question any future engagement taking place.

11/786 Parish matters

Cllr Ripley informed members that the Christmas Tree for the village would be delivered on Friday 23 November, volunteers would be needed to erect it. Cllr Kimbley had been approached from someone wanting to place a bench at the Sidings, more information was required to enable members to give further consideration to the request.

Cllr Gordon commented on the condition of the footpath by the Spar Store on Ashdene Drive, it was thought the area in question was private land, the Clerk requested a picture be sent to him for further enquiries to be made.

Cllr Hewitt asked if any progress was being made about work to be done on the turning circle by the Crofton Parish Council car park, it was hoped to resolve the matter when the meeting with Graham West (WMDC Highways), was held (see minute 10/753).

Cllr Bennett informed members that the Library would be holding a Christmas raffle. Cllr Chalkley raised his concern about the safety of residents attending the Remembrance Sunday event due to increasing attendance numbers, arrangements would need to be changed to accommodate this.

11/787 Date of next meeting

Resolved; that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Tuesday 11 December 2018 at 7pm in Crofton Parish Centre, High Street, Crofton.

11/788 Members of the public and press were to leave before agenda no.19

It was agreed

11/789 Matters to be discussed at the exclusion of the public and press

Nothing discussed.

Signed
Chairman Crofton Parish Council

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