**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Great and Little Barugh Parish Council held at Brawby Village Hall on Monday 6th January 2020**

1. To receive apologies for absence

Jan Chapman, Ann & Gillies, Peter & Ann Milner, Janet Hagger

Present – Sue Gough, Cllr Metcalfe, Cllr Swift, Cllr Garrett, Cllr Houlston

At the head of the meeting Cllr Houlston expressed condolences to Cllr Swift and also to Mrs Ordidge and their respective families.

1. Minutes and Matters arising
2. To approve the minutes of the Meeting 28.10.19

Approved

1. To consider any matters arising from the meeting on 28.10.19

Cllr Swift requested Rights of Way discussion be deferred to next meeting as an Agenda item.

Phone box, response to consultation, expressing an interest but concern about costs. No response as yet from RDC regarding their consultation. The action group has requested that BT could possibly swap the box for one in better condition but the answer was no. Action group meeting scheduled for end of January, possibly not going to adopt due to costs for maintenance and upkeep.

NYCC have said that an order was raised on 29/10 to repaint white lines at the top of the village just waiting on team coming in to the area to do it.

Pavements – need to be put on the portal with precise locations. In addition the fencing over water course near Oak Leaf Farm, Little Barugh needs putting on.

Cllr Garrett gave an update on gas exploration. To date no further news regarding NYCC making a decision on the outstanding planning applications. Both Alan Linn and Rosemary Drummond have resigned from Third Energy, new Director is Shaun Zablocki. The Government have decided against pushing through NSIP and Permitted Development for fracking. The Planning Inspector for the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan has kept in the 500 metre buffer zone for future applications. These were all areas that the Parish Council have raised objections and concerns about. The Government have also put in place a moratorium on further planning applications to frack in the UK.

The ownership of the Village Green in Little Barugh was raised as was the potential ownership of the verge opposite the Golden Lion towards the junction and the parking area. Cllr Garrett stated she had done some research but the only mention was historical documentation for Little Barugh Village Green. Documents can be looked at by appointment at NYCC Archives in Northallerton and it was agreed that a future appointment be made to investigate further.

1. Public Session – to allow residents and members of the public to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any items of business.

No matters to discuss

1. To discuss and approve the Precept for financial year 2020/2021.

Discussions were had over the precept for the coming year. A point was raised by Cllr Swift over the cost of using Brawby Village Hall as a meeting venue. He had offered to use his house as a meeting venue but in the interests of open-ness and transparency it was decided 3 to 1 to precept for a couple of meetings. It was suggested that other Parish Councils who have access to Village Hall such as Kirby Misperton also have to pay towards the meeting venues. Cllr Swift requested it be minuted that he did not agree with the cost of the Village Hall hire be included. It was agreed that the loss of The Golden Lion as a meeting place and community focal point was a blow. Cllr Houlston to find out cost of hiring Kirby Misperton Village Hall also as a comparison.

£305 approved for the Year 2020/2021.

1. Parish Correspondence.

Date of next NYCC area meeting.

1. To set date for next meeting.

Monday 24th February.

1. AOB

At the next meeting it was agreed to look at the protocols of recruiting a new Councillor. The position needs to be advertised on Notice Boards and certain protocols followed.