

Minutes of the meeting of South Kilvington Parish Council held on Monday 18th September 2023 at St Wilfrid's Church

Date/Time	Monday 18 th September 2023
Chair	Cllr B Hitchen
Parish Councillors	Cllr's; J Easton; J Martin; E Lynas
Guests	T Cussons, Laura Southward
Parish Clerk	Luke Barletta ('LLB')

1. Welcome

1.1. Cllr B Hitchen welcomed those present.

2. No conflicts of interest – declared by the Cllrs of Parish Council on matters on the agenda.**3. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting**

3.1. The minutes from the meeting held on 17th July 2023 were tabled and approved.

4. Appointments

4.1. The vacancy for Parish Councillor has been advertised and period for election has lapsed.

4.2. Laura Southward has registered an interest in joining the Parish Council. This was proposed by Cllr B Hitchen and seconded by Cllr J Easton.

5. Matters arising

5.1. The bridal way over Cod beck has been closed and a diversion put in place. The diversion takes walkers to the roundabout and along the A168 and back down Northallerton Road. SKPC has been informed that the bridge will hopefully get repaired in the Financial Year 2024/2025 with an estimated cost of £70k-100k. The PC have sent a number of letters about this issue. Additional pressure and discussions to be held.

5.2. VAS update – Posts have been installed for the Vas signs. It has been agreed previously that the sign will be purchased from SWARCO on the basis it represents the best value for the SKPC.

5.3. '20 is plenty' – SKPC remains committed to the 20 is plenty campaign. We have now been given a starter pack and more stickers to go on bins are available from Cllr Martin.

5.4. Village green and long term maintenance – The village green in South Kilvington is owed privately by a family. A number of the trees situated on the green are in need of maintenance. The Parish Council have written to the land agents of the owners requested that the maintenance of any dangerous trees is made a top priority. SKPC have also requested copies of any formal agreements that are in place between the Parish Council and owners of the green.

5.5. River monitoring – The data currently been held about Cod Beck is outdated and Cllr Martin is trying to get more up to date information. Cllr Martin also been in contact with Friends of Cod Beck and Friends of Earth Thirsk. Plans to undertake some Balsam Bashing – however currently the wrong tome of the year. Cllr Martin also in communications with the Environmental Agency to obtain more up to date info. Also looking at obtaining fish data to understand the health of the fish population.

6. Finance

6.1. Cheque signed and agreed for the parish insurance

6.2. Cheque signed and agreed for church donation following on from Kings Coronation celebrations.

6.3. Cheque signed and agreed for VAS signs.

7. Next meeting

7.1. Monday 20th November 2023 at 19:30 – proposed to be held at The Old Oak, Public House.

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Cllr B Hitchen

Chair

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Luke Barletta

Parish Clerk