HAMPSTHWAITE PARISHCOUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 14 February 2011. At 7.30pm,in the Village Room.

- Apologies were received from H.Garnett.
 Members of the Council: J.Carney, J.McPartlan, G.Howard, D.Collett (in chair), W.Atkinson and D.Bastow. M.Harrison also attended.
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 10 January having been circulated were taken as a true record of that meeting, proposed by D.Bastow and seconded by G.Howard. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
- 3. District councillors report: M.Harrison reported that the HBC budget had been approved. The Royal Hall were now making charges for use of the Hall by community groups for £1700.00 to hold a function.

 Planning matters. The application for the units on the Feast Field was to be decided by the Planning Committee. The request for the removal of material deposited in the garden of 8, High Street had been referred to the enforcement team who had advised that no action could be taken. The LDF scheme was delayed until new government legislation had been passed.
- 4. County councillors report. None given.
- 5. Matters outstanding
 - a. LDF plan for rural communities. No progress, see 3 above.
 - b. Community Resilience Plan, see item 7i.
 - c. Greening Campaign. G.Howard reported that emails had been exchanged with Terrina Plowright the organiser of the campaign. A sponsor for the £1,000 for the start of the scheme may have been found but the result would not be known until 21 March 2011. The Village Plan Group were to be asked for their support. Councillors agreed that the campaign would need a great deal of voluntary support for which the Parish Council could not take responsibility. The Council may be involved in expenses with running the campaign, involving hiring rooms. Councillors decided that the next Newsletter should contain information that would generate interest by the community. The School may also wish to be involved in running the scheme. Councillors also resolved that they should invite the campaign organiser to speak, rather than supply a "cd",at a proposed cost of £200.00.
- 6. Treasurers report
 - a. Balances & invoices. Current account £9514.58 Invoices

No. 1096 Rickard Masonry repairs to wall at Cockhill Beck Bridge. £660.00 vat £110.00

Sect 137 payment

Resolved that, in pursuance of powers conferred by s.137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the council approves expenditure in the sum of £660.00 in respect of repairs to the listed structure of the Cockhill Beck Bridge wall.

Approved for payment, proposed by G.Howard, seconded by D.Bastow.

- b. Items requiring finance, none.
 - c. Commuted sums. Nothing to report.

7. Reports

- a. School Governors. A report from S.Swales its parent governor advised that the School was to celebrate the 150th anniversary the week commencing 4 July 2011. The Head Teacher was to ask local groups to take part in a working group to involve the children in such events as Victorian Tea Party, maypole dancing, school performances, a community quiz a big book of photos, a BBQ etc. G.Howard was to take part as chair of Feast committee and D.Bastow from the Parish Councillors.
- b. Memorial Hall. The funding that had been promised from NYCC to allow parking by parents /carers of children attending the School had been withdrawn. This leaves the Committee with a problem about a conflict between events being held at the Hall where parking is required and allowing School parking. The Hall are responsible for the maintenance of the car park. The Parish Council as trustees of the Memorial Hall may also have a responsibility to see that a suitable arrangement is made.
- c. Safer Neighbourhood Group. A Meeting was held about Neighbourhood Watch but no information has been published about the findings yet
- d. Y.L.C.A. D.Bastow reported that various items had been emailed, hard copies would be forwarded in the mail bag.
- e. Knabbs Ridge Community Fund. D.Bastow advised that this group was to be renamed Two Ridings Community Foundation and the new grant director was Jan Norton. The next meeting was proposed for 12 May 2011.
- f. Recreational and Sporting Facilities. The plans for the siting of the mobile cabins had been passed to HBC for planning approval. Reports of further dog fouling on the Feast Field had been reported, a survey of times and days when dogs had been allowed to go free and foul was to be collated and passed on to the Dog Warden for investigation. The Feast Field allows dogs on leads only.
- g. Village Society. The next meeting was to be held on 17 February 2011. A history of the Village was to be presented to the School children along with a brief biography of the names on the War Memorial.
- h. Footpaths. D.Bastow was to draft a letter to the YLCA to be sent via the Clerk about footpaths and the outstanding work.
- I. Village Plan group. A meeting was to take place on 7 March 2011 at 8pm at the Joiners Arms. A Newsletter was to be published shortly that would incorporate the Greening Campaign, Community Resilience Scheme and D.Collett asked if any articles could be supplied for the end of February to be included in the Newsletter.

8. Planning

- a. 6.92.142.H.FUL, garage at Ashcroft, Rowden Lane for Mr Illingworth. No objections.
- b. Appeal against refusal for erection of 2 storey rear, alterations to pitched roof over 2 storey element at High Stone Cottage, 22, High Street.
- c. Appeal against enforcement to remove items for agricultural land at Gillthorn Farm, Hampsthwaite.
- d. 6.92.14.A.FUL, 2 modular units on Feast Field for Parish Council. Councillors signed the declaration of interest book as Parish Councillors. No objections.
- e. 6.92.49.A.FUL, control kiosk for sewage control on verge to front of Old Parsonage, High Street for Yorkshire Water Services. No objections.

- f. Dismissal of appeal of enforcement to reduce the height of the fence adjacent to the Highway to 1mtr at Gorge Barn, Hollins Lane.
- 9. Correspondence, to be circulated in the mail bag.
 - a. Hampsthwaite appears in the Environment Agency Flood Risk area but the defined area boundary is not clear. J.McPartlan is to investigate further following concerns from a resident on the impact on insurance premiums.
 - b. Hampsthwaite Church Committee. A draft reply to the letter regarding an extension to the churchyard was to be sent following liaison with the Chairman and Clerk.
- 10. Duty councillors report
 - a. Damage to the verges at Rowden Lane. This item could now be deleted as NYCC had made the decision not to take any action.
 - b. Cockhill Beck wall repairs had now been completed and this item could also be deleted.
 - c. Damage to bollard on Village Green. The Clerk had sent to the vehicle owner the invoice for the work which was to be processed by their insurers. A cheque in settlement was awaited. This item could now be deleted.
 - d. Ownership of land adjacent to Cockhill Beck, no progress, and the pollution in the Beck earlier in the year had not been resolved.
 - e. Highway Grit Bins. NYCC had responded advising that further bins and grit piles were being proposed for future use in the Village.
 - f. Damage to highways caused by the weather. J.McPartlan asked that serious potholes should be reported to him and he would contact NYCC on behalf of the Parish Council and this was agreed.
 - g. Xmas tree and lights for future years. G.Howard was to report on the various options for the Council to discuss.
 - h. Paint for the steps. W.Atkinson had obtained the materials to do the work that would be carried out when the weather permitted.
- 11. Date for next meeting 14 March 2011. Meeting closed at 9.07pm. Apologies for next meeting from J.Carney.

2. Duty Councillor: D.Collett.		
Signed.	Dated.	