

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 16 April 2012.
At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. Apologies were received from D.Collett & J.Carney.
Members of the Council:- G.Howard (in chair), D.Bastow, J.McPartlan, W.Atkinson. M.Harrison and H.Garnett also attended
2. Minutes of the last meeting on 12 March 2012, having been circulated were taken as a true record of that meeting, proposed by D.Bastow seconded by J.McPartlan. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
Thanks were given to W.Atkinson and D.Bastow for all the work they had done during their time with the Parish Council. They agreed that they would be prepared to help on a voluntary basis for footpaths.
3. Matters outstanding.
 - a. LDF Plan for rural areas. The public consultation period will commence in September 2012, and the documents will be available for the Local Plan on 9 July 2012.
 - b. A quote for the reinstatement of the damaged stone Hampsthwaite sign on Rowden Lane had just been received by J.McPartlan from HACS to the value of £350.+vat. D.Collett was to be advised about this quote before work could commence.
4. District councillors report. M.Harrison advised that he was up for election in May. Broadband delivery to Hampsthwaite. Although no funding was available at the moment there may be a small amount of funding available for a scheme later that may be sufficient to deliver the scheme. The Memorial Hall had obtained funding from the Two Ridings Community fund for £1500 towards setting up a broadband scheme at the Memorial Hall.
Litter Bin for St Thomas A Beckett Way. M.Harrison advised that he had spoken to HBC who had advised that they would support the principle that if a survey of the litter problem was to be logged with them there may be scope for a litter bin.
5. County councillors report. H.Garnett advised that she would be prepared to go to see A.Raynor at NYCC along with D.Bastow to raise the subject of a diversion of the Nidderdale Way, that would be a difficult and expensive way to legally achieve. There was a need to take the footpath away from the Birstwith Road on safety grounds. A map of the proposed route was to be emailed to H.Garnett by the Clerk. G.Howard advised that a wooden bridge could be built with the help of volunteers. Councillors noted that the landowner over whose land the footpath was to be built would object to any order that may be made to purchase his land. An idea was put forward that any diversion any diversion of the footpath could be called a Jubilee Walk.

No progress had been made on the 20mph limit for Hampsthwaite and it was unlikely that any NYCC official would be prepared to spend the time on a scheme that could not be funded. H.Garnett agreed that she would raise the 20mph limit again with D Hodgson on behalf of the Council. Councillors advised that when a meeting had been held with NYCC at Hampsthwaite, promises had been made to comment on the scheme that NYCC had prepared, but no further progress had been made.

Chain Bar Lane potholes were still there and not considered to be a matter for immediate attention by NYCC, but reports had been received by the Council that vehicles were having to avoid the potholes.

6. Treasurers report

a. Balances Current account £13046.17 o/s chq £500

Invoices

No.1157 C. Moore salary F/M/A expenses petty cash £711.46

No. 1158 Shire Aggregates Bulk Ltd stone Feast Field £1843.20**

No. 1159 S& S Site Services Ltd cancelled

No. 1160 S&S Site Services(Nationwide) Ltd * £4800.00

Total £7354.66

* Funded by WREN grant ** Awaiting WREN grant.

Approved for payment, proposed by D.Bastow, seconded by W.Atkinson.

b. Items that require finance, see Item 3b HACs quote £350+vat to repair stone sign.

c. Commuted sums, nothing to report.

d. Approval for accounts. Accounts proposed by D.Bastow, seconded by J.McPartlan. Internal Auditor proposed by J.McPartlan seconded by G.Howard. Clerk to arrange. The Clerk was thanked for all the extra work involved with the Feast Field accounts.

Rent for the Feast Field. After various emails the Clerk had established that the cheque sent to NYCC had gone missing so he cancelled the cheque no 001146. NYCC agreed that in future the rent cheque should be paid direct to the School. D.Collett was to be informed about this change so he could liaise with the School regarding the maintenance of the Feast Field that had previously been maintained through their budget.

7. Reports

a. School Governors. Nothing to report.

b. Memorial Hall. The Council had submitted a plan for solar panels on the roof. This was to be considered along with an Energy Survey that would incorporate reducing energy requirements in the Hall and include insulation. A WREN grant application may be submitted.

c. Safer Neighbourhood Group. A joint meeting was being planned to bring the Neighbourhood Group volunteers together and start up further schemes.

d. YLCA. No meeting. The Heroes Welcome posters had appeared in the Pub and Post Office, but generally had been welcomed by the businesses in Hampthwaite.

e. Two Ridings Community Fund. Applications close on 31 May 2012. A meeting in July of the Grants Panel will take place. G.Howard was to put the details on the website. D.Bastow was thanked for continuing to represent the Council on the fund committee.

f. Recreational & Sporting Facilities. Work was in progress on the pathway for the Feast Field. The 4 June 2012 was to be a Family Fun Day and encouragement was to be made to make a mosaic, plaque, or stamping on a concrete block to be set into the new pathway. The event would be free to residents but they would be asked to bring some refreshments with them.

g. Feast Report. The Duck Race now had some commercial sponsors and would be located between Wreaks Bridge and the Beach, between Hampsthaite/Birstwith.

h. Footpaths. No progress. Councillors noted that some new way-mark signs had appeared on some of the footpaths.

- i. Village Society. The second book on the history of Hampsthwaite was being proof read before going to the printers.
 - j. Village Plan group. The Community Resilience Plan was progressing slowly.
8. Planning
- a. 6.92.124.K.LB/124.L.FUL, listed building application for erection of 1 bungalow at The Grange,51, High Street. Refused.
 - b. 6.92.119.F.CO.U, change of use of car showroom to antique furniture at Brookroyd Garage, High Street. Approved.
 - c. 6.92.209.D.FUL, 1 storey extension at Rose Lawns, 38, Hollins Lane. Approved
 - d. 6.92.113.C.FUL, 1 storey extension at Spring Garth, High Street. Approved.
9. Correspondence. None to discuss.
10. Duty councillors report
- a. Survey of Notice Boards and Seats. To be carried out by G.Howard.
 - b. repair of Hampsthwaite Stone sign on Rowden Lane. See Item 6b.
 - c. provision of disabled car park space outside Post Office.
 - d. Report on Notices for Feast Field. These are in hand.
 - e. Survey of litter on Church Lane. See Item 4.
 - f. Memorial Hall Accounts approved by Councillors & signed by Chairman.
11. Date for next meeting 14 May 2012 at 7pm.Meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed:

Dated:

Parishioners comments: State of speed hump on Hollins Lane and potholes on Chain Bar Lane.