

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 February 2012.
At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. Apologies were received from D.Bastow.
Members of the Council:- D.Collett (in chair), J.McPartlan. J.Carney, G.Howard, W.Atkinson and M.Harrison also attended.
2. Minutes of the last meeting on 9 January 2012, having been circulated were taken as being a true record of that meeting, proposed by J.Carney and seconded by J.McPartlan. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
3. District councillors report. M.Harrison reported:-
 - a. Council Tax no increase this year, the cuts made were efficiency savings
 - b. The Council approved that Harrogate Theatre should run the Royal Hall, this was a temporary agreement that would be subsidised. A future lease would be agreed when the charitable status had been established so that future funding could be sought through grants. The events to be held at the Royal Hall had been set for the year and the success of these events would depend on the support given by the community.
 - c. HBC were to purchase the Harrogate Police Station to move all Council resources to one building. Plans were being designed for the future use of this site. The existing Council Buildings would be sold on for such changes as leisure use, ie Hotel facility, offices, housing and some retained for use and for office facilities
 - d. The proposed wheeled bin scheme would start to work in June 2012 with the first 10,000 bins being allocated to the Harrogate District, but Hampsthwaite would also benefit from the scheme later.
4. County councillors report. None given. The Clerk and Chairman were to liaise regarding the 20mph limit for the Village and the request to improve the Nidderdale Way to divert from the road side.
5. Matters outstanding
 - a. LDF Plan for Rural Areas. The Clerk was to check to see that HBC had received the survey on Housing from Hampsthwaite.
6. Treasurers report
 - a. Balances Current Account £6253.08
Invoices
No.1149 GOPAK Tables Memorial Hall £612.49
No. 1150 SPP chairs Memorial Hall £2317.92
No. 1151 CS Catering Microwave M.H £238.80
Total £3169.21
Approved for payment, proposed by J.McPartlan and seconded by W.Atkinson.
These invoices are covered by the Commuted sums funds and the vat can be refunded as this is for the benefit of the Community.
 - b. Items requiring finance, none.
 - c. Commuted sums. The Council are awaiting the receipt of the funds for the above invoices.
7. Reports
School Governors. The School are holding a Jubilee Party.

Memorial Hall. No report. The first Film Show was a success 90 people attended. The next show will be on 3 March 2012, when a Bar and refreshments will be available. The following event will be on 31 March when an Italian Supper will be served.

Safer Neighbourhood Group. Work is progressing with the Community Resilience Plan. Problems are still occurring with stolen metal and a local burglary had been reported but nothing stolen.

Recreational & Sporting Facilities. Work is due to commence on the Cabins, path and fence that are being financed by Commuted sums and the WREN grant.

Feast Report, the last meeting was held on 6 February 2012. The group are planning a Duck Race for the Jubilee. Activity for the Sunday of the Feast Weekend is still to be organized, but Carols on the Green, Fun Day and piloting of the Films for the Memorial Hall are on their list of events.

Footpaths. The report and maps supplied by NYCC are to be examined by W. Atkinson and D. Bastow who will make arrangements for a site meeting to erect the Way-marker signs. The Clerk was asked to contact I. Burgess regarding the obstruction of the FP 15.53.10, where a series of photographs had been produced showing the problems. Other work was on FP 15.53.6 where there was an inadequate stile and the diversion of FP 15.53.11 West Lane. The diversion of the Nidderdale Way was to be raised with NYCC and the Clerk and Chairman were to liaise with the wording.

Village Society. The Talk on mountaineering was well attended.

Village Plan Group. Heather Garnett was to be contacted regarding the lack of progress on 20mph limit for the Village. J. McPartlan is to submit plans to HBC for the grant of £100 for equipment for the Community Resilience Plan. A newsletter was to be produced for the first week of March to include the Parish Council Elections, dog fouling and any item that Councillors wish to submit. The preferred date for the copy would be the end of February.

8. Planning applications

a. 6.92.124.K.LB/6.92.124.L.FUL for the erection of a bungalow at E42784,N458558, High Street, Hampsthwaite. Councillors objected to the development on the grounds of inappropriate development in the Conservation Area and potential future access problems .

b. Appeal against refusal for first floor extension at 6.92.102.K.FUL, Briar Cottage, Mount Pleasant Farm.

c. 6.92.302.FUL, first floor extension and external skin of bradstone at ground floor level to south east elevation at 36, Brookfield Crescent. Councillors agreed to defer a decision on this application because the site notice had not been posted in time and they felt that the application should be seen by the Planning Committee.

d. Sadlers Cottage, the owner supplied Councillors with a copy of a letter from HBC saying that the building was now stabilised and secure.

9. Correspondence, none that required attention.

10. Duty Councillors report

a. Notice boards and seats require re-painting

b. Waste being dumped in Nidd from the churchyard this had been reported to the Churchwardens.

c. Litter bin one be installed at St Thomas A Beckett Close and to enquire whether HBC Street Cleansing department empty it.

- d. No liners in litter bins.
 - e. J. McPartlan to draft a letter to send to Riparian Owners regarding holding a meeting to discuss the removal of the Himalyan Balsam.
 - f. Millennium Stone damaged by vehicle. J.McPartlan and G.Howard to contact a contractor in order that a claim can be processed.
 - g. W.Atkinson to ask Village Society if they would be willing to replace handrail on footpath between Brookfield and the Bungalows at Finden Gardens.
 - h. Litter and bottle accumulation around Cricket Pavilion. D.Collett to contact C.Dawson.
 - I. Dog fouling an ongoing problem, this was to be included in the Newsletter.
 - j. Churchyard maintenance, W.Atkinson asked if this could be raised on the next agenda.
 - k. Jubilee celebrations, the Clerk was still awaiting information from other Clerks in Nidderdale, but Councillors asked that this could be raised on the next agenda.
11. Date for next meeting 12 March 2012. Meeting closed at 9.07pm.

Signed

Dated