

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10 October 2011.

At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. Apologies were received from D. Bastow.
Members of the Council :- D. Collett (in chair), G. Howard, W. Atkinson, J. Carney, J. McPartlan. M. Harrison and H. Garnett also attended.
2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 12 September having been circulated were taken as a true record of that meeting, proposed by W. Atkinson and seconded by G. Howard. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
3. District councillors report. M. Harrison reported that:- There was a two year freeze on Council Tax which meant that provided this was kept to a small amount that the government would pay an extra amount to the Council. The Royal Hall lease was still under consideration. Yorkshire In Bloom results were out. A pilot scheme was under consideration which could be run starting Spring 2012 involving wheeled bins and improved recycling. He was asked to liaise with H. Garnett to arrange for the grit bin that was situated to supply the Bungalows at Finden Gardens.
4. County councillors report. H. Garnett advised that the new waste site at Penny Pot would be officially opened on 3 November and the HGV's with the winter salt/grit would operate from the new premises. A question about lighting for the site had arisen following a complaint, but it was hoped this would be resolved. A puffin crossing was to be installed at the gates of the Army Foundation College. The meeting with Highways had been rescheduled with suggestions for 18 October afternoon, 21 October morning and 28 October morning. Councillors, P. Parker and Heather Garnett were to attend. W. Atkinson was to arrange for the meeting to be held in the Village Room in order that the proposed scheme could be visited by Highways representatives. The Boundary Review was mentioned as a result of the proposed changes to the constituency that was to merge Leeds North West with Adel, Wharfedale, Leeds North East, Killinghall, Hampsthwaite & Nidderdale. Councillors were to view the website and comment before the 4 December. A letter and email had been forwarded with websites to download. A meeting had been arranged with Iain Burgess. see Item 7h.
5. Matters outstanding
a LDF for rural Areas. Nothing to report
6. Treasurers report
a. Balances and Invoices
Current Account £12398.70
Invoices
No.1131 Ray Skelton LLP grass Sept 2011 £236.57
No.1132 Yorks. Water Feast Field cabins £7.81
No. 1133 Npower Feast Field cabins awaiting revised invoice
No. 1134 Clerk remuneration, exp. ,gen exp £693.26
Approved for payment, proposed by G. Howard, seconded by W. Atkinson.
Npower cheque to be approved when revised invoice received. Councillors to be informed of the new amount.
b. Items requiring finance. G. Howard advised that commuted sums had been allocated to the Feast Field for the new path and provided the grant applications were approved the project could be completed. Other work involved the replacement of fencing to part of the field and the hire of a post hole borer

that would be used for the boring of a new hole for the Xmas tree on the Village Green.

- c. Commuted sums. A discussion would take place at the next meeting to ensure that funds were allocated and used before they were withdrawn.

7.Reports

- a. School Governors. No report.

- b. Memorial Hall. J. Carney and G. Howard reported on the discussions that had taken place regarding the annual costs of the car park and innovative ideas for stimulating the finances for the Hall. They noted that volunteers are required to forward suggestions. Commuted sums were available to use.

- c. Safer Neighbourhood Group. J.McPartlan was to arrange a meeting of the group. He was experiencing difficulties when trying to contact the local officers. Incidents had occurred near the School and the Clerk was to write to the local officers to remind them that J. McPartlan was our representative.

- d. Y.L.C.A. No report. Informations and White Rose Update in mail bag

- e. Two Ridings Community Fund. Nothing to report.

- f. Recreational and Sporting facilities. See item 6b.

- g. Feast Report. G. Howard reported that the next Duck Race would be held on 2 June to coincide with any events relating to the Diamond Jubilee. Councillors agreed that this should be put in the newsletter to ask other for ideas for the weekend. The licence agreement between the Council and the Football clubs was now completed and after a minor alteration would be signed and forwarded to the Clubs for completion.

- h. Footpaths. A successful meeting had been held with Iain Burgess during which he agreed to put the work that been done on the survey of Hampsthwaite Footpaths by Mr& Mrs Atkinson after carrying out some coordination work this information would be computerised for all to see. He agreed to way-mark all footpaths with the help of volunteers. A report would be produced every six months on outstanding work, and a volunteer group would be trained for the work. A footpath to Birstwith was to be considered again with negotiations with the landowner. Help could be given by NYCC to forward the plans for this footpath on the grounds of pedestrian safety.

- I. Village Society, the next meeting would be on 20 October.

- j. Report on the Village Plan Group meeting held on 20 September.

Attended by D. Collett, M. Harrison, P .Parker, G. Howard,

P. Osler, B. Atkinson, J. Carney, J. McPartlan & S. Jennings.

- 1.Housing Development. It was agreed to resurvey the Village as to its views with regard to the possibility of new housing adjacent to the Brookfield Estate as disclosed in HBC's Local Development Framework. This would be done via the Autumn Parish Newsletter. In addition a group would be formed comprising D. Collett, G. Howard, D. Bastow, B. Atkinson, J. Carney & M. Harrison, to progress matters and monitor developments.

2. 20mph Speed Restriction. P. Parker reported he had met with H. Garnett and following that a meeting with Highways Department had been provisionally scheduled for 7 October to progress discussions. This was subsequently cancelled due to the lack of time allowed. See item 4. The revised date was approved to be the 28 October and the meeting will take place in the Village Room at 11am

3. Community Resilience Plan. It was agreed a letter should be sent from the Parish Council to village organisations encouraging their involvement. A meeting with HBC Emergency Planning Officer was to be arranged and a survey by Yorkshire Water on drainage problems in the village was to be organised. It was also agreed not to proceed with the offer from NYCC for the village to take part in the gritting measures during the winter months.

4. Design Statement. It was agreed to request John Exbury to the initiative, with assistance from Paul Parker and Stuart Jennings. John Exbury could also provide advice to the Parish Council on planning applications.

5. Broadband. Geoff Howard reported that there had only been 20 responses to date and 50 were needed to activate an initiative for the village. A further attempt would be made to get more responses so that we may investigate the possibility of linking into Darley's success as this seems a good solution.

6. Greening Campaign. As previously advised this initiative is currently on hold awaiting volunteers to lead the initiative. Next meeting to be advised.

A newsletter from the Parish Council was expected to be organised for the end of October and all items for inclusion would be preferred to be forwarded to D. Collett in the next fortnight.

8. Planning

a. Refusal for 6.92.82.D.FUL, erection of single storey extension with balustrade to form roof terrace, pergola and extension to decking at Gilthorn Farm.

b. Approval for 6.92.72.D.TPO, lateral reduction, crown lift and crown reduce of 1 willow tree TPO 39.2008 at Greenside House, High Street.

c. Approval for minor amendment to 6.92.58.K.DVCON, to 6.92.58.I.FUL, to amend footprint of proposed property at 60, Hollins Lane.

d. Approval for 6.92.300.FUL, erection of single storey extension at 13, Brookfield Crescent.

e. New application, 6.92.102.K.FUL, erection of 1st floor extension at Briar Cottage, Mount Pleasant Farm. No objections.

9. Correspondence. Nothing to report.
10. Duty councillors report
 - a. Painting of kiosk. Clerk to contact BT again.
 - b. Parking facility at Finden Gardens. Nothing to report.
 - c. Cockhill Beck, trial not yet held.
 - d. Hedge planting at Cruet Fold. Nothing to report.
 - e. Report on Meeting at Army Foundation College.
Clerk to write to encourage College to send representatives to the Remembrance Day at Hampsthwaite.
11. Date for next meeting 14 November 2011. Meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Signed.

Dated.