HAMPSTHWAITE PARISHCOUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12 December 2011. At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

- 1. Apologies, none.
 - Members of the Council:- D. Collett (in chair), D. Bastow, W. Atkinson,
 - J. McPartlan, J. Carney, G. Howard, M. Harrison and H. Garnett also attended.
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting on 14 November 2011, having been circulated were taken as read and approved as being a true record of that meeting, proposed by J. Carney and seconded by D. Bastow. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
- 3. District councillors report. M. Harrison reported:
 - a.50% of exception sites may be developed. Affordable housing for local people as rural discount houses to be sold or rented. Houses at a maximum of 75% of market value. The remaining 50% will be owned by a Housing Association.

The rural discount scheme should cover the costs of the developer who should make a small profit and pay the landowner a reasonable amount for the site.

- b. Council Tax for the District for 2012/13 if kept to 2.5% the government would grant fund the difference.
- c. The use of the road belonging to the Memorial Hall by HBC refuse/recycling vehicles for turning around was not approved by the Committee.
- d. The improved recycling of waste was not to be changed until spring next year
- e. Boundary Commission suggestions for the new Boundaries was not approved for the Hampsthwaite area to merge with Leeds West and comments had been emailed as part of the consultation.
- f. Results of the survey on additional housing for Hampsthwaite.

These results had not been checked and D.Bastow agreed to carry out this work. Of the results 74 responses (20%), 68 were opposed to any further development. With regard to compromise 38 suggested 20 homes, 2 less than 20homes, 5 suggested up to 30 homes, 7 for 40 homes, 2 for 50 homes. With regard to the proportion as Affordable Homes, 14 suggested 50%, 9 suggested 100%, and 8 suggested 25%. When these figures had been audited they would form part of the Village Plan and would be forwarded to HBC.

- 4. County councillors report. H.Garnett reported that there had been some initial complaints about the lighting on the new waste reclamation site at Penny Pot Lane, but this was due to the fact that the security fence initially was not satisfactory. Now the lights would only operate when the Salt Barn was in use.
 - Footpath survey. D.Bastow agreed to submit the details of the meeting that was held with NYCC representative I.Burgess as there was confusion as to the next steps
- 5. Matters outstanding
 - a. LDF for Rural Areas, see item 3f.
- 6. Treasurers report
 - a Balances and Invoices

Balance:- Current account £11132.93

Invoices

No.1135 Rural Action Yorkshire seminar	£25.00	
No.1136 Yorkshire Water Sports Hut	£7.24	
No.1137 Lights4fun tree lights	£290.00	
No. 1138 Marshall Wooldridge Sports Hut etc.	£795.00	
No. 1139 Petty cash post tel., stat.	£37.95	
No.1140 WREN deposit for grant Toilets Sports cab.£900.00		

No.1141 B&Q elect acc. for lights & honorarium	£45.49
No.1142 Npower Sports Hut	£30.78
No.1143 Npower Village Green power box	£15.71
No.1144 B&Q lamp for Memorial Hall N.board	£4.03
No.1145 Memorial Hall contribution to outside lights	£39.98
No. 1146 NYCC rent for Feast field	£500.00
Total	£2781.28

(Cheque for rent from football club received £500.00)

Approved for payment, proposed by D.Bastow, seconded by J.McPartlan.

- b. Items requiring finance, none
- c. Commuted sums. Clerk to reclaim from HBC for work to Toilets and new path to Play Area.
- d. Further discussion on precept, it was agreed to hold same precept for further year. Clerk to compile budget for next meeting.
- 7. Reports
 - a. School Governors. A successful Winter Ball was held at the Memorial Hall. The Feast Committee to help with the Carols on the Green on 21 December 2011, in liaison with Church and School with refreshments from Sophies b. Memorial Hall. Own funding to be used for the repairs to the car park at the side and back of the building.
 - The Rural Film scheme was to proceed with the assistance of the Feast Committee, following training, the first event Mamma Mia on 4 February 2012, followed by Kings Speech on 24 February 2012 and Chicago on 31 March 2012. The ticket cost would be £6 per head to include refreshments and this facility was to be run in conjunction with Ripley on a 2 months agreement.
 - The Clerk was to advise Mr Bower that he may go ahead and paint the wood surround of the Recycling Bins, as this had been approved by HBC.
 - G. Howard was given approval to apply for planning permission to install solar panels on Memorial Hall should this prove to be an option. The Parish Council could apply for this as trustees.
 - HBC had been advised, in response to a consultation exercise, that the Hall would welcome an extension to be built for a specific purpose for use by the community, for example arts and crafts.
 - c. Safer Neighbourhood Group. J. McPartlan reported that he had not been successful in liaison with the Watch coordinator. He reported on the Speed Meeting that he had attended, and as a result he advised that some funding may be available for tools torches etc. Red Cross first aid training was available to councillors at a reduced cost of £4 per person and that training could be carried out locally if required. Various issues had been raised including the drains on Hollins Lane and a meeting with NYCC was to take place. It was noted that some of the drain covers on Rowden Lane were missing and this could be discussed at the meeting.
 - D. Bastow had obtained details of the electricity plan for Hampsthwaite and was investigating the gas plan but that may involve a cost to obtain.
 - d. Y.L.C.A. No meeting.
 - e. Two Ridings Community Group. No meeting
 - f. Recreational & Sporting facilities. See item 6a. A meeting was to take place between G. Howard and contractors to discuss the work to be planned for the Feast field and Sports Hut.

- g. Feast Report. Full meeting and accounts were to be put into the mail bag.
- h. Footpaths. The Clerk had sent an email to NYCC asking about the report that was promised on the work required on footpaths. See item 4
- i. Village Society. No report.
- j. Village Plan Group. See items 5 &7c. Speed limits no report. Broadband, some progress. Greening Campaign, no report.
- 8. Planning
 - a. 6.92.40.S.FUL, first floor extension at Rowden Grange. No objections. b. 6.92.102.K.FUL, Refusal for first floor extension at Briar Cottage, Mount Pleasant Farm, harms the character and appearance of existing rural building conversion.
 - c. 6.92.82.E.FUL, Approval for retention of stable block, at Gilthorn Farm, subject to conditions.
 - d. 6.92.235.B.FUL, Approval for raising roof at 3, Park View Cottages, Hollins Lane.
- 9. Correspondence, any item circulated in mail bag that requires a response. a. Invitation from A. Jones MP to attend an open meeting for councillors to be held on 6 January 2012 at Killinghall Village Hall.
- 10. Duty councillors report
 - a. Parking facility and filling of grit bin for Finden Gardens bungalows. No progress.
 - b. Hedge planting at Cruet Fold. No progress.
 - c. Report on planning seminar. Details in mail bag.
 - d. Localism Bill and G. Howard's report and survey. Agenda for next meeting.
 - e. Damage to Hampstwaite Village Stone sign on Rowden Lane. Clerk to ask HACS for estimate to reinstate stone.
 - f. Pollution in Cockhill Beck, case resulted in £5k fine and fees.
- 11. Date for next meeting9 January 2012. Meeting closed at 9.45pm. Signed: Dated: