

## HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11 August 2014.  
At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. **Apologies** none.

Members of the Council:- D.Collett (in chair), J.Carney, H.Brown, C.Sunley, R.Binns, M.Fletcher, J.McPartlan. M.Harrison also attended.

**The Chairman** asked members of the public to speak.

**Cockhill Beck** Mention was made of the lack of work in removing the balsam and other overgrowing weeds from the Beck.

The Chairman advised that they were unable to carry out the work because kingfishers had been seen in the Beck. He advised that P.Bramley had suggested he would be able to carry out work in the Beck to clear the weeds. The Clerk was asked to contact him for a quote to carry out the work and for an additional quote to carry on with this work on an annual basis.

This would be an extra cost to the Council if they were to take responsibility for the Beck from the Owners of the Riparian Rights and this would have to be added to the annual precept but it was agreed that this was a benefit to the village to prevent flooding from the Beck in the event of a sudden heavy downfall of rain, and because some owners of adjoining property did not own any Riparian Rights on their deeds.

J.McPartlan had contacted the Environment Agency regarding maintaining a sustainable Beck, but had never received a response.

M.Fletcher advised that the Footpaths Officer had suggested that the balsam could be pulled before flowering and left to decay. This had resulted in success in some of the areas where this was carried out.

H. Brown produced a bulletin on Balsam that described how it could be treated.

**Development on Brookfield** Questions were to be asked about the proposed building plans and the action that the Planners might take regarding the protest planned by the Parish Council about the sustainability of further development. This was to be raised later.

**Nuisance** caused by youths kicking a football on to the solar panels on the Memorial Hall roof, and interference with the tap close to the Sports Huts.

A suggestions was made that the tap should be secured from inside the Cabins  
An old fence that was falling down was to be removed.

Loose apples from the Memorial Hall grounds were being used as weapons and being thrown at people and cars.

Damage had been caused to the rear door at the Memorial Hall by a youth using a lacrosse stick, contact PCSO N.Woods on 101 if any further damage is witnessed.

2. **Minutes of the last meeting** held on 14 July 2014 having been circulated were taken as read and approved as being a true record of that meeting, proposed by R.Binns and seconded by C.Sunley. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.

3. **Traffic Issues**

Work to fill marked pot holes had not taken place yet, Area6 Boroughbridge were to be asked when these would be likely to take place.

T.Richards was again to be asked to meet with the Council to discuss moving the Disabled sign to a more appropriate location in spite of the fact that he had advised he was awaiting new legislation in 2015 for these signs.

Repairs to road in front of Bungalows at Finden Gardens, no response as yet from Housing at the Borough Council.

Repainting of lines on the roads. Some work had taken place but not on the yellow lines that were being parked over by vehicles with no penalties being issued.

Village Parking was to be discussed at the Village Plan Group.

**4. District and County Councillors report.** M.Harrison attended the meeting at a later stage and was asked about the following items:-

**Brookfield Housing Plans** Various questions were asked about the view that the Planning Committee might take about the possibility of refusal of the proposed plan and the implications that this might cause as a result of legal advice from Officers and the Inspectors decision. See item 5.

**Street Lighting** plans were to be revealed about which lights would go off at night and which would remain lighted. Councillors agreed that M.Harrison should obtain the information for consultation from the map that would be issued with the plans.

**Dog Bins** No progress had been made with this suggestion to relocate a litter bin to St Thomas a Beckett Walk or for the installation or emptying of dog bins.

**Damage to grit bin.** M.Harrison was to report the damage by the recycling vehicle to the grit bin at the end of Finden Gardens adjacent to the bus stop

**5. LDF for rural areas**

Brookfield proposed development. 6.92.303.A.FUL

Work had been carried out on the response to the proposed planning application by Councillors and H.Brown had consolidated the report into a 10 page summary. Councillors agreed that the report should now be forwarded by the Clerk to the Planners. At the same time he was asked to obtain responses to:- will all responses on the application be accepted up to the date that the application is considered, will the planning committee hold a meeting on site with Councillors, and can the Parish Council make representation at the planning meeting.

The Parish Council had prepared a newsletter to be delivered to residents for them to forward their comments to Planning about the proposed development.

A petition had been set up that was available for signature at the Post Office A discussion took place where it was agreed that A4 and A3 posters should be produced for which the Council would pay, for residents to display either in their windows or outside on a post. When the Planning Committee visited the site they would see them displayed and it was thought that this protest would help in the case for refusal of the plans for development.

A visit had been made to see A.Jones MP by D.Collett, H.Brown and A.Houldsworth, Killinghall Chairman regarding the over development proposed for the area surrounding Killinghall and Hampsthwaite.

D.Collett was to canvass other members of the Borough Council and the UKIP County Councillor as well as the CPRE for further support.

Information had been supplied regarding the needs for Affordable Housing for Lower Nidderdale Villages and this was to be supplied to A.Jones MP.

Information supplied about the Cruet Fold Housing Sale on the property that was part owned by the Housing Association showed that the restriction of the sale of houses that were for the benefit of Hampsthwaite residents had been discharged in favour of a Harrogate resident.

**Councillors suggested** that the Cruet Fold restriction on local residents was now likely to be ignored in future sales.

**A document from Harrogate Planners on consultation** of the new DPD plan had been circulated and the item was to be discussed at the next meeting.

**The Sale of Cruet House** and a separate plot of land for commercial use was noted and information received showed that the plan for development on this site had been dropped.

## 6. Treasurers report

a. Balance by cash book £12313.98

Balance by bank statement £15865.41, less £2490,£485.85,£375.60,  
= £12313.96 + error 2p invoice1327

Invoices

No. 1334 YLCA course Neighbourhood Planning	£95.00
No. 1335 Ray Skelton Harrogate Ltd grass July	£243.43
No. 1336 Backhouse Bros F.Field grass July	£145.00
No. 1337 Francis Carne Associates dog stickers	£19.98
No. 1338 Petty cash post and tel. C.Moore	£10.24
No. 1339 Photocast Products Ltd plaque M.Hall	£168.36
No. 1340 Enid Taylor newsletter D.Collett	£29.80
No. 1341 Alan Chalk pruning clearing corner near Shop	£125.00
No. 1342 Backhouse Bros tree work F.Field	£92.50
Total	£929.31

Approved for payment, proposed by J.Carney, seconded by J.McPartlan

b. Items requiring finance, Bus shelter window £792.60.

Notice Boards Brookfield, Village Room, work required to restore them.

D.Collett to supply Clerk with name of a joiner.

Play Area Inspection £50+vat

All approved.

## 7. Reports

**School Governors.** Details of School places had been supplied to Councillors for use in the Brookfield planning response.

**Memorial Hall** A reply to the letter sent to the Council stated that it was not appropriate for the Council to interfere with the management of the Hall nor to interfere with the Footpaths Team at NYCC if they decided to erect a notice of a designated footpath that was on the definitive footpath map.

M.Fletcher raised the matter of the demolished wall.

The overgrown material in the Beck had not yet been cleared.

There was a need for the Memorial Hall management to identify the limit of the land that belonged to the Hall by examining the deeds.

Other items to be raised at the meeting on 26 August 2014 was to include items specified in the Residents questions section after Item1.

**Safer Neighbourhood Group** A meeting was to take place with the Police Group in the Joiners Arms at 6.30pm on Tuesday 12 August 2014. J.McPartlan and other Councillors were to attend. Items to be raised had been covered under the section of Residents Questions after Item1.

**YLCA .** All information had been sent to Councillors. C.Sunley wanted to thank them for the Course he attended. The Clerk was asked to email a copy to be used for letter headings for Councillors use.

**Recreational & Sporting Facilities.** The goal post had been left up. Backhouse Bros reported on the planting of shrubs on the Bund. Councillors agreed to a sum not exceeding £200 for the purchase and planting which would be carried out during September. The shrubs would be evergreen.

**Feast Group** A successful Feast had been held with many new attractions that were supported well. The Army Apprentices had been of considerable help during the activities and H.Brown was to send a letter of thanks. She would be attending the Passing Out Ceremony on behalf of the Parish Council .

**Accounts for the Defibrillators** D.Collett had advised that the £200 overspend had been funded by the Parish Council because the Knabbs Ridge grant was only for £1800 and this did not form part of the Memorial Hall refurbishment scheme. The matter was to be resolved. The Parish Council minutes of the 13 May 2013 referred to the application for the funding.

**Village Society** An application had been made for new seats and tidying up the area near the River Nidd. A meeting was to be arranged between the landowner, S.Jennings and D.Collett to discuss the matter further.

**S.Jennings** advised that the **Village Pump magazine** was to be published again and the Council had offered any help that might be required.

**Footpaths**The work on the Medieval Way had been completed with the cutting back of shrubs and weeds to make the walk passable again.

Work on the Nidderdale Way at the back of the Feast Field was to be carried out when Mr Binns had harvested his crop by filling the boggy parts with rubble.

**Horseshoe footpath.** The Clerk for Clint cum Hamlets to be asked when the path would be walk able again.

**Nidderdale Way.** The Clerk was to contact the Birstwith Clerk.

**Village Plan Group** A meeting was planned for September.

## 8. Planning

- a. 6.92.260.A.FUL, erection of 1 storey rear extension, replacement porch, installation of 17 windows at The End Cottage, Church Lane, Hampsthwaite for Mr Inman. No objections
- b. 6.92.308.A.FUL, 2 storey side and rear extension with living accommodation in roof space and new garage (revised scheme) at 7, Hollins Close for Mr & Mrs Croft. Objections the same as the previous application
- c. 6.92.69.B.FUL, conversion of garage and erection of 1<sup>st</sup> floor extension over garage and installation of replacement windows at Swallow Cottage, Church Lane Hampsthwaite for Mr Leyshon. Objections loss of use of garage where will vehicles be parked as the property has a shared drive
- d. 6.92.312.FUL, 2 storey side extension, 1 storey front porch extension external alterations, installation of window and door and demolition of detached home office at Park View Farm, Hollins Lane Hampsthwaite for Mr Reynard. Object to this application because it is based on a previous application that was refused. The Council agreed with the refusal.

- e. Approval for 6.92.162.D.FUL, conversion of garage to form granny annex and erection of detached garden room at Briar Garth 54 Hollins Lane, Hampsthwaite for Mr& Mrs Payne.
- f. Approval for 6.92.58.N.DVCON variation of condition 2 of permission 6.92.58.I.FUL, to allow re-siting of dwelling by 1 metre to the west at 60, Hollins Lane Hampthwaite for Mrs Taylor.
- g. Refusal on Local Policy for listed buildings at 6.92.255.H.FUL/LB at 24 High Street, Hampsthwaite for erection of 1 storey building for Mr Castleton.

**9. Correspondence**

- a. Individual Electoral Registration information
- b. YLCA Transparency Code, to be discussed at the next meeting
- c. Invitation to an event at St Michaels Hospice. No one could attend
- d. Inauguration of new vicar for Hampsthwaite Church, C.Sunley to attend.

**10. Duty Councillors**

J.McPartlan reported that youths had been on the roof of the Sports huts, and a keep off notice had now been posted.

- 11. Date for next meeting 8 September 2014. Meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Signed.

Dated.