

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10 February 2014.
At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. Apologies none.

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

2. **Minutes of last meeting** held on 13 January 2014 having been circulated were taken as read and approved as being a true record of that meeting, proposed by J.Carney and seconded by H.Brown. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.

3. **Traffic and parking in Village** A representative from Area6 Boroughbridge is to take part in a survey of the Village along with Councillors. The date set was for 25 February 2014 at 2.30pm meeting in the Village Room
Comments were made about the use of Cockhill Beck footpath by carers using the way for drop off and collection at School but it was noted that this was not a public road but an access road with the rights for only the owners of adjacent premises to use.

A report of a fatal accident at Four Lane Ends Farm crossroads was noted.

M.Harrison was to report back on the damage at the end of Chain Bar Lane and Hollins Lane which would be discussed at a later meeting when Highways had replied to M.Harrison.

4. **District and County Councillors report**

Budget meetings were to take place the week commencing 10 February, the HBC Council Tax was to remain unchanged, but NYCC were to add 1.99% to their part of the Council Tax.

The NYCC Highways budget had been set and there were to be no cut backs on the winter gritting programme. The Parish Council suggestions about the foreign road signs for the Tour de France were to be discussed by the County Council.

HBC had recovered some of the costs for the waste service since the implementation of recycling in the District.

Housing plans for the Local Plan were still being discussed and some of the large proposed sites were coming up again for planning approval in the Killinghall area.

The Inspectors report was due in the summer.

5. **Matters arising from Local Plan for Hampsthwaite.** Nothing to report.

6. **Treasurers report**

Balance by Cash Book £15349.41 Bank Statement £15349.41

Invoices

No. 1295 Hill Bastin Int Ltd blinds M.Hall £3385.26*

No. 1296 Petty cash post tel Clerk £10.20

No. 1297 M.Fletcher keys cut bus shelter x4 £16.00

Total £3411.46

Approved for payment including retrospective amount*, proposed by J.Carney, seconded by J.McPartlan.

Items requiring finance. None.

Commuted sums. None.

Additional signatories: M.Fletcher and C.Moore. Identification has to be provided for the Bank.

7. Reports

School Governors. R.Binns reported that the landowner had refused parking provision at the Cricket Club site.

A recent Ofsted report had highly recommended the School. Councillors agreed that congratulations should be included in the next newsletter.

Memorial Hall. J.Carney reported that meeting held on 27.1.14 included items:-

Relining of car park to be done in School holidays . The garage are to be asked to ensure that permits are displayed in parked vehicles and they are to park at the side and rear of the car park. There are extra key holders now. The solar panels are working well. Concerns had been expressed about the car park surface. New fire extinguishers were to be purchased. Agreement has been reached about removing some of the top stones from the wall along side the bus shelter a window to be constructed so that bus passengers to see the bus arriving.

A new grass cutting person was to be sought

The Clerk was asked to obtain two more sets of keys for the new notice board.

Safer Neighbourhood Group. A new PCSO Nicholas Woods was asked to attend a Parish Council Meeting. Information was to go into the newsletter that included the new scams that were being posted on websites and burglaries that were being committed.

Y.L.C.A all information had been sent to Councillors by email.

Recreational & Sporting Facilities. R. Binns agreed to report on these facilities.

Feast Group. H. Brown agreed to report on group activities. A meeting was to take place on 25.2.14 about the revisions to the Feast activities to keep down costs.

Village Society. D.Collett agreed to report on society activities

Footpaths. M.Fletcher reported that letters had been sent by NYCC Footpaths Officer concerning the blockage to Footpath No.15/53.6 and that the neighbouring property owner was to see that the work was completed. Dog fouling was discussed again and HBC were to be asked about the relocation of the litter bin opposite the Corner Shop.

Village Plan Group. The newsletter was to be put together by J.McPartlan and an alternative source for printing was to be investigated
Website administration was also to be considered. Various items to be included were mentioned.

The newsletter was to mention the vacancy on the Parish Council.

8. **Planning,** no applications had been received. The Clerk was asked to be the correspondent for planning applications in future and was to contact the Planning Department to arrange the change.
9. **Correspondence,** none that required a response.

10. Duty Councillors report

Riparian Rights, answers were still coming in from owners of land that adjoined the Beck. J.McPartlan was to contact the Young Farmers to help in clearing the Beck and had asked that the Parish Council could supply some funding for materials that may be involved. This was agreed.

Trip point at Gas station. The Clerk was to contact Northern Gas Networks again and stress the Health & Safety requirements.

A.Jones MP had been asked to attend a Parish Council Meeting.

A grant application for funding for snow clearance from Rural Action Yorkshire had been completed and a response was awaited.

J.McPartlan was to be the new representative for the Knabs Ridge GrantScheme.

J.Carney had requested a quote to put a window in the bus shelter, and this was awaited.

11. Date for next meeting 10 March 2014. The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed.

Dated.