

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12 October 2015.

At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. **Apologies from J. McPartlan**

Members of the Council:- D.Collett (in chair), H.Brown, P Robertson.
M.Harrison also attended.

2. **Minutes of the last meeting** held on 7 September 2015 having been circulated were taken as read and a true record of that meeting, proposed by D.Collett and seconded by H.Brown.

3. **Traffic Issues**

Yellow lining, no progress yet. M.Harrison to make enquiries.

Fencing High Street. Councillors agreed that this should be postponed.

Bollards down Church Lane. Councillors were to ask for a survey with T.Simpson. M.Harrison would attend.

Brookfield exit. Councillors did not approve of the plan put forward for the proposed signage on the verge. They are still in favour of the Message Maker.

4. **District and County Councillors report.**

M. Harrison advised Councillors that the Local Plan now has 5 years land supply and the Council were looking to restrict some development plans.

Some serious flooding has occurred in a resident's garden which has been caused by a blockage or broken pipe in a field. Yorkshire Water has inspected the highway drain but it was considered that the blockage was in the field drain.

M. Harrison is to contact Yorkshire Water. D.Collett is to see the resident .

M.Harrison has a grant available to Parish Councils in his area that could be used for a specific purpose. The size of grant available would be £300 minimum.

Green Waste Services. A proposal to charge residents from 2017 is being consulted on. The charge will only apply to those residents who opt to receive the service.

Currently only 60% of properties receive the service and there is no scope to expand without changing the scheme.

Costs for the other recycling facilities has also risen as the amount paid by the recycling companies had dropped, but the service will continue as it is a cheaper option than landfill tax.

Harrogate Borough Council were undergoing a consultation on election changes.

Consideration was to be given to making elections every 4 years and the reduction of District Councillors from 54 to 40.

Joiners Arms. Cllr Harrison welcomed the fact that the pub had reopened but urged the Parish Council to apply to list it as an Asset of Community Value.

Saddlers Cottage. No further development about possible enforcement.

Finden Gardens petition for parking on Harrogate Housing land. A response was awaited.

5. **LDF for rural areas.** No progress.

6. **Treasurers Report**

Balance by cash book £13911.12 Bank Statement £13911.12

Invoices

No. 1414 R Skelton Harrogate Ltd grass £243.43

No.1416 Yorks Water Feast Field	£9.39
No.1417 C.Moore Salary exp. A/S/O p.cash	£750.11
No.1418 Harrogate Borough Council Playground inspection	£60
Total	£1206.93

Approved for payment, proposed by H.Brown seconded by P.Robertson

Items requiring finance:- Playground Inspection survey/work, Website grant, Work to Play Area. Quote from P Bramley for work on Beck.

7. Reports

School Governors. None.

Memorial Hall. Concern about Notice regarding parking and use again by parents dropping off and using rear of Hall. According to information supplied quotes have been received about rear posts to be erected. Councillors awaited information on when the work would be commenced.

Y.L.C.A. A report on the meeting. A representative from Harrogate Borough Council has advised that their part of the Council Tax was frozen with a 55% reduction in Government funding that would result in further cutbacks. The Conference Centre was still not making a profit. Parks and Gardens and Yorkshire In Bloom will not be affected. The move to Knapping Mount to centralise the Council will lead to cost benefits. The consultation process regarding the four year election period for Councillors was ongoing. The building of new Council Houses at Pateley Bridge was being considered. The proposed Northern powerhouse for the area was under discussion with three different schemes being considered. Other items were discussed including Green waste recycling, work place pensions, Section 106 agreements, the new transparency scheme for smaller Councils, problems with Highways, and Broadband. The next meeting scheduled for 15 February 2016.

Recreational and Sporting facilities. A survey has suggested that fouling on the field appeared to be reduced. The report on the Playground Inspection was to be considered later.

Feast Group. The Open Meeting has generated some new support with new members wishing to take part. The AGM resulted in new members taking part. The Chairman is J Frankland. The maypole project is ongoing with a donation towards the new maypole. The big breakfast is scheduled for January 2016 with donations going to St Michaels Hospice. The Film The Theory of Everything was well supported. Further films will be showing in December and January. Councillors thanked the Feast Group for their work and congratulated them on the new membership.

Village Society. The work on the river side project was almost completed.

Village Plan Group. The Meeting was cancelled. The details for the Newsletter was to be circulated.

8. Planning

a. 6.92.40.T.FUL, one storey extension and alterations to fenestration at Rowden Lane Farm, Rowden Lane, Hampsthwaite for Mrs Callander. No objections.

b. 6.92.142.K.FUL, replacement dwelling at Ashcroft, Rowden Lane, Hampsthwaite for Mr Illingworth. Comments. The development should follow the existing footprint using the materials as existing york stone and grey slate in keeping with the environment.

c. New application 15/04267/FUL, 6.92.119.G.FUL, erection of 2

dwellings with associated car parking and removal of garage roof to form new entrance area at Brookroyd Garage, High Street, Hampsthwaite for Mr West. A site meeting of Councillors was to take place before comments were made.

9. **Correspondence.** None that requires a response.

10. **Duty Councillors**

Website information. The Clerk and Chairman were to liaise regarding this information and the request for funding the new website.

11. **Date for next meeting.** Scheduled for the 9 November 2015.

The Chairman gave his apologies, but was to arrange with J.McPartlan to stand in for him at the meeting. Meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Signed.

Dated.