

HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 August 2013 at 7.30pm.
In the Village Room.

1. Apologies were received from M.Harrison, G.Howard and J.Carney.
Members of the Council:- D.Collett (in chair), J.McPartlan, R.Binns, M.Fletcher and H.Brown.
2. Minutes of the meetings held on 10 June and 8 July were taken as read.
An amendment to the 8 July meeting by D.Collett read as follows item 9b should read after anyone” and the Councillors who were”. Subject to this amendment both minutes were approved as a true record of those meetings, proposed by H.Brown and seconded by M.Fletcher. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.

The Chairman asked the representatives from Planning Potential to talk about their proposal to ask for planning permission for land at Cruet House to be considered by the Inspector on the LDF DPD scheme. Councillors objected to this proposal because it was not intended to develop any buildings that remained adjacent to Cruet Fold in the ownership of Mr Marshall as had been believed. They agreed that support could not be given for this new scheme as residents had not been consulted and as a result of the NO at the Public Meeting for any building development in Hampsthwaite due to the objections that had been made to the LDF DPD proposal to allow further development at Brookfield.

3. District and County Councillors report. M.Harrison had sent a report to be read out at the meeting. The report was as follows:-
Waste Collection Arrangements. The new waste collection arrangements have started in the village. There were queries around the collection arrangements for the cottages on the High Street. He wished to know if there were any further issues.
Allerton Waste Recovery Park. The first judicial review on the plans was heard and found in favour of NYCC. Essentially this confirmed that planning permission that had been granted is valid. There still remains a big question mark over the financing as DEFRA withdrew their funding. A separate judicial review has been launched by NYCC over this matter, no further details available at this stage.
Tour de France. He will be arranging a meeting in September with interested parties from Killinghall and Hampsthwaite to discuss impact of the event, and possible commercial opportunities. See item 9 a.
Highways. Still awaiting an update on the longer term plans for Hollins Lane.
4. DPD LDF plan for Rural Areas. Nothing to report

5. Treasurers report

Estimated balance £46617.53 grants included M.Hall,* WREN**, Feast Group***

Invoices

No. 1246 Barclay Electrical Ltd M.Hall improvements	£22155.72*
No. 1247 G.Howard ref J.Todd lock weed killer Feast Field	£39.60
No. 1248 R.Skelton LLP grass July 2013	£243.43
No. 1249 Petty cash post,tel. print cart (50%)	£24.96
No. 1250 Purple Cat Ltd proj. equip.M.Hall	£4972.80***

No. 1251 Hampsthwaite Village Society In Bloom increase from £110 to £150. Agreed that the increase to £150 was approved unanimously, but not budgeted for. Agreed that the work done by the in Bloom representatives was excellent ,and it was noted that the cost of plants had increased since the costs were last reviewed by the Council.

No. 1252 Hollins Construction Ltd, Tiles for M.Hall roof	£9360.00**
No. 1254 Npower Feast Field electricity	£21.86
Total	£36968.37

Approved for payment, proposed by J.McPartlan and seconded by H.Brown. The Chairman had looked at the figures that were presented and advised Councillors on the balance that would be left using the Council's reserves. The Clerk advised that he had posted a vat return that should reimburse the Council by the next meeting.

Councillors agreed that G.Howard should be asked to update Councillors on the various costs to improve the facilities at the Memorial Hall and the future grant receipts to ensure the Council would not be out of pocket.

Items requiring finance

No.1253 Purple Cat Ltd Installation costs M.Hall pay on completion	
Grant balance of £556 (o/s £24) from £4700	** £696.00

Commuted sums. Nothing.

6. Reports

School Governors. Nothing

Memorial Hall

J.Carney reported that the works have started, including some wiring and the scaffolding for the roof was to be erected. The car park was to be fenced off during works. Wiring and new lighting everywhere and wiring for IT to be provided.

A new sign for the Hall was to be erected.

New charges for the use of the Hall were to come into effect from 31 July 2013.

Parking permits were to be issued to the garage.

The catering business was deciding their future use of the Hall.

G.Howard had reported the Sun Room now has ceiling spot lighting and will have improved picture hanging so that it may serve as a village art /photo gallery.

A Grand Reopening is planned for October with a Hog Roast and Brass Band.

A decision on car parking provision is still under consideration.

Next meeting for the Hall 30 September.

Safer Neighbourhood Group. J.Mc Partlan had met PC Dan Walker and he is to arrange for the PC to attend a Parish Council Meeting.

Y.L.C.A. Nothing to report. Two Ridings Community Group. J.McPartlan agreed to act as Parish Councillor representative to replace D.Bastow when he stands down in 2014. This was approved and he was to contact D.Bastow.

Recreational and Sporting Facilities. G.Howard had reported that he thought that Horizon Life had prepared the Feast Field well for the Feast. Following the letter sent by D.Collett to the Director of Horizon Life. The reply advised that they would not wish to continue the contract when it comes up for renewal.

G.Howard advised that there was a problem with rescuing the newly planted Jubilee trees from encroaching weed and bramble growth on the beck side of the northern boundary fence. This was on the schedule for Horizon Life annually. Feast Group. G.Howard reported that the Feast had been successful and the group meets on 21 August to check if they have recovered costs because of the increased outlay on performers and displays. Funding for the digital equipment for the Hall had resulted in a grant of £4700 from Awards for All. This was to be passed on to the Parish Council to enable the equipment to be purchased.

A grant from the Two Ridings Community Group of £1600 had been secured to purchase two defibrillators, but were awaiting the price and availability of some refurbished ones.

D.Collett proposed as had been previously mentioned that the accounts of the Feast Group should be audited in the same way as the Parish Council Accounts. This was approved.

Village Society. G.Howard reported that the group are now working to integrate their planned improvements to the Memorial Hall with the work currently underway. The memorial plaque to be removed and refurbished and a new surround made to integrate the two parts together. Work to install the new gate posts to be completed once the outside work is completed. An investigation is underway to consider what can be done to improve the Medieval Way.

Footpaths. J.Carney asked if a plan showing the Parish Boundary was available. J. McPartlan advised that he was able to access one. J.Carney advised that he had requested the fallen tree be removed on the Nidderdale Way which has been done and the path strimmed as far as the bridge in the wood. He advised that dog fouling continues to be a big problem along this route and on the permissive way along the riverside. He requested that Ripley PC be informed about the impassibility of the Horseshoe Footpath, the foliage requires trimming.

The Clerk was asked to contact Aidan Rayner to arrange for a meeting with Councillors to discuss progress for the outstanding problems with the footpaths in Hampsthwaite.

G. Howard had advised on his suggestion for the cycleway coming through Clint and would be happy to submit maps. Councillors agreed that this would be an item for the next agenda.

Village Plan Group. A newsletter was to be organised for the end of August and any items for inclusion from Councillors were welcome.

7. Planning.
 - a.6.92.276.E.FUL, single storey extension at 19, St Thomas A Beckett Walk, approved .
 - b.6.92.307.PNA erection of single storey replacement chicken shed at o/s field 0005 Penny Pot Lane, prior approval not required.
8. Correspondence
D.Collett was to respond to various issues raised by J. Edinger regarding parked cars for sale and other items.
9. Duty Councillors
M.Harrison was to arrange a meeting regarding Tour de France in September.
M.Fletcher was to arrange a group to continue work on the Beck to remove balsam
It was agreed following a suggestion by D.Collett to aid communications, that all emails should be copied to all Councillors including those currently posted on the website.

10. Date for next meeting. 9 September 2013. Meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed.

Dated.