

## HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8 July 2013.  
At 7.30pm, in the Village Room.

1. Apologies were received from R.Binns and J.McPartlan
2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 10 June 2013 were to be discussed by Councillors later when a proposed amendment was to be added.
3. District and County Councillors report:- M. Harrison reported on the following items
  - a. LDF DPD the next stage in the plan was the Inspectors report due in November. Although the District Council had 4.3 years of site approved for development for the next 5 years the proposed plan for Hampsthwaite development could be brought forward for development in the following ten years. Completed forms had been sent to the District Council from the Village but a problem had existed with emails sent direct. All residents who had responded to the consultation would receive an acknowledgement.

Dales Integrated Travel. Plans were being discussed to include rural areas that were not covered by the 24 Service were being considered and the plan for a voluntary community transport scheme to link up with the service was under investigation. The proposed Waste Recovery Plant at Allerton Park was to undergo a Judicial Review for the dual purpose of investigating why the plant was deemed necessary and why the funding had been withdrawn.

The full District Council were to discuss the moving of all offices to Knapping Mount. This would result in savings as the buildings that were being presently used could be redeveloped for housing ,office development, and a hotel facility. The County Council were to fill a 5.8million pounds gap in finances by reducing services such as social service support, reduce the public transport subsidy and charge for the dumping of soil and rubble at the waste reclamation sites. This was up to 2015. A further reduction of 6.6 million pounds was to follow up to 2019. He was to arrange for a Highways fact sheet for Hampsthwaite. Councils could monitor utilities repairs which had a fix life of 2 years after which time if they have failed have to be reinstated free of charge.

Plans to extend the Nidderdale Green Way were under discussion, funding was available via Sustrans to extend the Bilton to Ripley footpath/cycleway from Ripley to Clint cum Hamlets. The Parish Council supported the idea of this plan that could be extended to Hampsthwaite and beyond and they agreed to support the proposed extension from Ripley to Clint provided it was constructed in a sensitive way so as not to spoil the proposed area through which it could pass. The funding would be withdrawn unless the proposed scheme was carried out. The Clerk was to write to Aidan Rayner at NYCC and Ripley Parish Council to offer support for this scheme.

Tour de France. The route was to pass by the area twice and Councillors were encouraged to discuss the event at the next meeting when they had received further information when they would consult with the Village.
4. Matters arising LDF DPD for Hampsthwaite. Responses from residents at the Public Meeting had been positive especially with the help offered over the completion of the Consultation forms that had been delivered to the District Council.
5. Treasurers report
  - Balances Current Account estimated at 28.6.13 £12115.47

#### Invoices

No. 1242 Yorkshire Water Feast Field	£29.08
No. 1243 Clerk salary M/J/J exp,p.cash	£697.83
No.1244 E.Taylor copies DPD G.Howard	£27.60
No.1245 R.Skelton LLP grass June 2013	£243.43
Total	£997.94

Approved for payment,proposed by M.Fletcher seconded by J.Carney  
The Chairman asked the Clerk to supply a breakdown of expenses relating to his work in order that the Council could ratify any deficiency in the minutes.

The Clerk explained that the estimated account details was due to the funding relating to the Memorial Hall improvements. WREN were to issue a contract for the work to the Parish Council who were the registered owners of the land upon which the Memorial Hall was built. Funding had been received to cover the cheque to WREN for the deposit. See item 6b for further information.

- b. Items that require finance. The Brookfield Notice Board was showing signs of wear and tear with the back becoming detached from the frame and a softening of the posts in the ground. G.Howard was to inspect the Board and carry out some remedial work to secure the back and check for the stability of the Board.
  - c. Commuted Sums . The new spreadsheet had been circulated and was noted.
  - d. Memorial Hall Accounts that had been circulated. Councillors approved the signing
6. Reports
- a. School Governors No report.
  - b Memorial Hall. G.Howard reported on the progress of the WREN contract for the improvement work to be carried out at the Hall. The Hall Committee had agreed that the Parish Council hold a sum of £20,000 to be transferred to the Parish Council bank account towards any expenditure regarding the Invoices that may be presented Following the signing of the proposed contract with WREN work would commence around 24 July 2013.
  - c. Safer Neighbourhood Group. It was noted that a new PC Dan Walker had taken over Hampsthwaite. He was to be asked to attend a meeting to introduce himself and to discuss any matters that required his attention.
  - d. Y.L.C.A, Nothing to report all information had been circulated.  
Two Ridings Community Group. The rules had been changed to allow Parish Council representation on the Committee and for Parish Councils to apply for future grants. D.Bastow who had served the Parish Council was thanked for the time he had spent as a local representative and Councillors were asked for a volunteer to take over the work in 2014 when he had to stand down having served his time. He had supplied a full report of the decisions made by the Group that included some grants that had been approved to Hampsthwaite groups.
  - e. Recreational and Sporting facilities. G.Howard reported that he had met with Officers from HBC regarding the Enforcement Notice on the Feast Field cabins. He had reached a verbal agreement relating to the bund and landscaping and this was to be confirmed in writing.  
He had investigated the specialised paint required to paint the Cabins with the specified colour that had been chosen by HBC.

Grasscutting of the Feast Field by Horizon Life. D. Collett agreed to speak directly with the owner and specify that the work was not to a standard that was expected, and the field needed to be cut for the Feast. If they were unable to complete the contract then the Parish Council would request the refund of the Funding that was given in advance.

The lock on the gate to the field had been removed for Feast activities but following a warning expressed by M.Fletcher regarding Romany travellers The lock combination was to be passed on to Horizon Life if they were to carry out any further grasscutting.

G.Howard was given authority to authorise cutting for the Feast subject to a maximum fee of £200.

- f. Feast Group. The application for the defibrillator had been approved but the purchase of the machines, one to be available on the Feast Field and the other in the Village, were still being investigated.
  - g. Village Society. The gateposts to the Memorial Hall are to be replaced.
  - h. Footpaths. A full survey of the footpaths was to be made before the Footpaths Officer was to attend a meeting with Councillors
  - i. Village Plan Group. The response to the LDF DPD had been submitted to HBC. Further newsletters were being planned. A working party to continue with the clearing of the Balsam was agreed. A letter was to be written to J.Lundell for thanks in supplying refreshments to the first working party.  
Councillors were to encourage residents to pull any Balsam that they find whilst walking footpaths. A report had been received about the collapse of a fence and banking at 17 High Street. The Clerk was asked to write to the occupier and remind them of the Riparian Rights and the need to repair the banking to prevent further damaged that might cause an obstruction in the event of a water deluge following a storm.
7. Planning. None.
  8. Correspondence.
    - a. Church Lane Management Company. The details of the AGM were to be circulated in the mail bag.
    - b. Army Training College. Invitation to the Summer Graduation Parade was to take place on 15 August, a response was required by 29 July. M. Fletcher agreed to represent the Council instead of D.Bastow.
    - c. Phase 3 Waste Collection Review, details were supplied to Councillors.
    - d. NYCC Capital programme details for Highways were also supplied.
  9. Duty Councillors report
    - a. Items for the next Meeting:-Agreed for a talk by a representative of Cruet House estate on suggestions to develop the rest of the buildings. A discussion on the prospects of hosting tourists during the Tour De France when it twice passes close to Hampsthwaite. See item 3a
    - b. Agreed on an amendment to the previous Meeting's minutes  
Item 6e. Should now read "J.McPartlan left the meeting following what he considered a discourteous remark made by the Chairman"  
G.Howard acknowledged the amendment. He agreed it was appropriate and regretted whole heartedly if he had upset anyone and the Councillors who were present at the meeting. He also confirmed that he had expressed his

regrets to J.McPartlan previously. The Clerk was to represent the amended minutes at the next meeting of the Council.

- c. G.Howard reported that the cover for the sign on the Play Area had been damaged and he had removed the broken pieces. It would be necessary to recover the sign.

10 Date for next meeting 12 August 2013. Meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Signed.

Dated.