

## HAMPSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 14 March 2016

At 7.30pm, in the Village Room

1. **Apologies.** None

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

2. **Minutes of the last meeting** held on 8 February having been circulated were taken as read as being a true record of that meeting ,proposed by J.Carney and seconded by H.Brown. The Chairman signed the minutes.

**The Chairman invited R Illingworth of Yorkshire Water to address the residents** and Councillors about the responsibility of Yorkshire Water regarding the sewage disposal pumping station and the separate surface water system for the village. According to the measurements made on the 56 proposed houses for the Brookfield site 95% of water used goes back into the system which amounts to 1.40ltrs for 3.5 people. This turned into peak times figures amounts to 1.7ltrs per sec. The capacity for the sewage disposal at the pumping station is 90ltrs per sec.

**Concern** was expressed by residents who attended the meeting about flooding at the Brookfield development into adjacent gardens from the site over the bund which has been created to hold back water from the site. The responsibility for the containing of surface water on the site was that of the developer. Yorkshire Water has not received an application from the developer to obtain consent to join the surface water from the site into the surface water system on a temporary basis. The Planning Authority are responsible for ensuring the developers carry out work to ensure that the work on the surface water is carried out before work commences. A stop order has been issued on site and the HBC drainage engineer has visited the site and discussed with the developers the method of controlling the surface water. The developers were also liable for any damage caused by flooding from the site.

**Other concerns** were expressed about the breakdown of the pumping stations at Hampsthwaite and Birstwith on numerous occasions where the station equipment was unable to cope with the additional flow from both the foul and surface water.

**Reference was made to the owners of property at St Thomas A Beckett Walk** who had suffered from sewage backing up into their gardens and preventing the flow from their own domestic sewage outlets.

Residents were informed that flooding from Yorkshire Water assets were the responsibility of Yorkshire Water and they were responsible for reporting any pollution to the Environment Agency.

To conclude the discussion M.Harrison was asked to arrange a joint meeting as soon as possible with HBC Yorkshire Water and the developers where residents and Councillors were to attend.

The Chairman asked that any further questions to Yorkshire Water should be emailed to the Clerk.

Mr Illingworth was thanked for attending the meeting.

3. **Traffic Issues**

Following a meeting with NYCC Highways representative the Councillors agreed on the following:-

**Bollards on Church Lane.** No further progress could be made as new rules required bollards to be 450cm from the pavement edge.

**High Street/Birstwith Road.** An application could be made for double yellow lines but these would need to be discussed with residents around the Village Green properties. Any objection would result in rejection of any proposed scheme.

**Birds Mouth fencing on the verge.** Agreement with Highways was approved. The Council would be responsible for installing the fencing but this would be funded by the reserve amount left from the HBC traffic calming funding. The fencing would need to comply with the 450cm rule.

**Message Maker.** The chances of a permanent or long term facility would not be justified based on the speed levels and accident data. The Council could apply to be added to a pilot scheme, but this was rejected.

**Brookfield gateway.**

The developers had suggested a "Slow Down Sign". The Planning Approval has required a request for traffic speeds to be lowered to 25mph and a visibility splay of 2.4 x33. The Council stated they were not happy with this proposal and would check the detailed planning conditions.

**4. District and County Councillors Report.**

**Local Plan update.** The timing for the consultation on the Local Plan was now likely to be in the autumn.

**Saddlers Cottage.** The Planning Enforcement is continuing. A joint meeting with S.Jennings, the Council ,Parish Councillors and M.Harrison was to take place.

**Electoral Commission.** Harrogate Borough Council is to reduce the number of District Councillors from 54 to 40. Hampsthwaite will come into Killinghall Ward.

**5. LDF for Rural Areas.** See item4.

**6. Treasurers Report**

Balance by Cash Book £13127.10 Bank Statement £13127.10

Invoices

No. 1430 C. Moore petty cash tel. and post £10.53 from February2016

No. 1431/1437 Npower V.Green net £53.93vat£2.61=£56.54no768362492

No. 1432 YLCA subscription £382

No. 1433 C.Moore petty cash tel and post £9.39

No. 1434 Npower Feast Field net £56.83,vat £2.84=£59.67no768362492

No. 1435 Yorks Water Feast Field £8.12

No. 1436 cancelled.

Total £526.25

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

Items requiring Finance. Work on Play area, grant available. Work to be carried out before end of month.

**7. Reports**

*School Governors.* A discussion about the BiltonWilson Trust land to take place.

*Memorial Hall.* No meeting but next would be the AGM.

*Safer Neighbourhood Group.* No report

*YLCA.* No meeting

*Recreational and Sporting Facilities.* See item6

*Feast Group.* The last Film Night was successful with 137 tickets sold.

Progress is being made with the Feast Festivities for this years event. Another meeting is to be held next week.

*Footpaths.* No further progress

*Village Plan Group.* No progress.

**8. Planning**

**Approval for 15/05375/FUL,6.92.40.U.FUL,** one storey extensions,installation of roof lights and alterations to fenestration at Rowden Lane Farm Rowden Lane for Mrs Callander.

16/00695/FUL,6.92.44.L.FUL, one storey extension to form store, conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation and alterations to fenestration at 1 Dawson Court for Mr Hanson. No objections.

16/00801/FUL,6.92.293.A.FUL,one storey extension at 13 Brookfield Way for Mr & Mrs Dixon. No objections.

16/00132/FUL,6.92.62.C.FUL, retention of fence at Farleigh House 43 Hollins Lane for Mrs Dallas. No objections.

16/00082/COU,6.92.314.COU cou of use of ancillary accommodation and land associated with Swallow Cottage to form one dwelling and garden at Saddlers Cottage Church Lane for Mr Leyshon. Objections:- The outstanding enforcement has not been resolved. The Council object to this new application on the grounds that there is no provision for parking thus putting more pressure for on street parking in the village. The original permission for this property stated that the garden should not be used for parking or divided and that the original footprint should be maintained. These conditions should remain in any consideration of this application.

**9 Correspondence.** None received that required a response.

**10. Duty Councillors**

Northern Energy had agreed to replace the seat outside their premises.

A meeting was to be arranged between the MP A Jones and Councillors to discuss local democracy.

A notice about appealing against planning permissions had been read and Councillors agreed that they should sign the petition.

Dog Bin. The grant form agreement with NYCC to fund the Dog Bin on the agreement that the Parish Council would be responsible for emptying it had been signed. The approval from the Church about the emptying had not yet been received and the Chairman was to liaise with the Church.

*The Annual Meeting was to be changed to 16 May 2016* as a result of the local elections taking place on 5 May 2016 to allow for the 4 days before new Councillors take office. The normal date would be the 9 May 2016.

Website. The Clerk was try to put together the missing items that needed to be added to the website.

The Hollins Close street sign has blown off.

The adoption of the Data Protection Policy and any amendments to the Financial Standing orders were to be resolved.

**11. Date for next meeting** 11 April 2016. Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

J.Carney gave his apologies for the April, May and June Meetings.

Signed.

Dated.