#### HAMPSTHWAITE PARISHCOUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14 January 2019. At 7.30pm in the Village Room.

Public session. Jon Ward from the Hampsthwaite & Birstwith Junior Football Club spoke on matters relating to the use of the Football Field. A resident made a complaint about the flagrant disregard of the law by dog owners who do not clear up their dog's mess in areas of the village including the footpath adjacent to the School entrance and on the Feast Field.

**Apologies** from M.Wray on holiday and G.Howard indisposed.

Members of the Council: H.Brown (in chair), J.Jennings, J.Fairfoot, J.Backhouse. M.Harrison also attended..

**Declaration of interest**. J.Backhouse in item 8a.

**Minutes of last meeting** on 10 December 2018, having been circulated were approved as a true record of that meeting, proposed by J.Backhouse and seconded by J.Fairfoot. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.

# **Ongoing issues**

Grange Park flooding issues. No progress

**Brookfield Garth flooding** and footpath diversion. Further information of land drainage has been submitted to Planning.

**Medieval Way.** G. Howard advised that work has started to clear the footpath. **Elton Lane**. Further information has been submitted on landscape issues and the reduction of proposed houses to 71.

Report on essential Play area and Feast Field work. An email has been sent to Harrogate requesting consideration be given to funding to repair the necessary work highlighted in the ROSPA report. A quote for fencing is being sought.

Report from Feast Group. An agreement has been signed for the licence and conditions for use of the Feast Field and Sports huts. The Feast Group has agreed to pay a sum of £200 every April towards general maintenance. An invoice is to be issued by the Council.

### District and County Councillors report.

M.Harrison reported on the Inspectors inquiry into the Harrogate District Plan for housing.

He advised that Harrogate is looking into the ROSPA reports on Play Areas and the need for funding from commuted sums to be reallocated to Parish Councils where they are responsible for Play Areas.

H. Brown advised that the Parish Council and HAG group representatives will be attending some of the hearings of the proposed Harrogate District Plan.

## Highway matters including footpaths.

Nothing to report. The next agenda is to include the report sent to Harrogate regarding overgrown branches around the Hampsthwaite bridge that are obscuring the view of on coming traffic.

**Financial Report** 

Balance by cash book £3815.16 Action Group £1400 Medieval Way grant £12758.39 Parish Council £17973.55 Total

bank statement £17973.55

**Invoices** 

No. 1636 M. Blakemore Christmas coffee morning No. 1637 G. Blakemore Stationery,hardware Parish Council £25.79 Action Group £115.18 Action Group No. 1638 Yorkshire Water Feast Field £9.89

No. 1639 C.Moore Salary, exp. N/D/J gen exp 50% sub

SLCC/ALCC £829.09
No. 1640 G.Howard community pay back scheme £36.93

Total £1016.88

Approved for payment, proposed by: J.Jennings and J.Fairfoot.

Councillors agreed that due to the apologies of M.Wray and G.Howard that the cheques could be countersigned by the Clerk who was also a signatory.

Internal Audit carried out by J.Fairfoot and J.Jennings and found to be correct.

Precept approved at £12000.

Financial working party, work not completed yet, to be carried forward to the next meeting.

Football Clubs, details of the Nidd.Utd Club required.

Fighting Fund. Nothing to report.

Dog fouling signs. The Clerk is to contact the Dog Warden to find out about metal signs to replace the temporary signs that keep being removed.

#### **Planning matters**

Appeal 18/00104/NREFPP land adjacent to 8 High Street for erection of bungalow. J.Backhouse left the room. Councillors agreed that as they have already given a response that there was no need for further correspondence. Councillors await the response of the Inspector.

Approval for 18/04247/FUL, extensions at 64A Brookfield Crescent. Footpath diversion alteration FP15.53/23/1 Cruet Farm Hollins Lane.

### Reports

School governors. None.

Memorial Hall. AGM on 25 March 2019. Councillors to attend.

Safer Neighbourhood. None.

**Data Protection. Ongoing** 

Neighbourhood Plan. No progress

Correspondence. None.

## Matters raised by Councillors

Approval for signs for bus shelter. The template provided by G. Howard should be amended to a gate closing time of 7pm to account for the last bus.

Other signs awaiting information.

Dog fouling notices. The Clerk is to contact the Dog Warden for information on signs that cannot be removed.

Christmas tree. G.Howard has asked Bowers for details of their contractor.

Community Speed watch. Awaiting information on where the speeding is taking place The Clerk is asked to write to Mr Wright to thank him for litter collections on Rowden Lane.

Date for the next Meeting 11 February 2019. Meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Items to carry forward: Transparency Code. Financial regulations.

Signs for Feast Field. Dog Fouling notices.