

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Friday, 12th December 2008 at 7.30 pm.

Councillors present: D Weston (Chairman), D Wooles (Vice Chairman), Mrs P Bean, Mrs J Calvert, B Parkinson and I Read.

Apologies were received from: Cllr N Anfield

- 1 Minutes of the Last Meeting
Minutes were approved subject to one minor amendment to clause 2.7 when the first sentence was amended to read ‘Cllr Mrs Calvert said that it was the view of the Trustees that a number of persons were not receiving adequate benefit with maximum funds available for distribution amounting to under £1,000 per annum’.
- 2 Matters for Report
 - 2.1 April 2009 Parish Council Meeting Date: Discussion
Following discussion the proposed Parish Council Meeting on Good Friday of 2009 was confirmed on the grounds that there would be too much difficulty in trying to re-arrange it with the Calendar already in place. Cllr Mrs Calvert wished to record that she was opposed to this decision.
 - 2.2 Parish Council Dinner: Date and Venue
Councillors agreed that a date should be fixed either for the 30th January 2009 or 27th February 2009 at the Durham Ox. The Clerk will make arrangements and advise. Cllr Mrs Bean said that she would not be attending.
Action: Clerk
 - 2.3 Christmas Tree in the Square: Switching on Lights/Unmetered Electricity Supply
Cllr Anfield had attached a timer to the lights for switching on and off. The switching on ceremony took place on 6th December. Cllr Mrs Bean gave out sweets to the children present and a bucket collection realized £20.
Cllr Anfield will look into the question of installing a timer for the lights to plug into the electricity supply in the square and report back to the Council.
Action: Cllr Anfield
 - 2.4 Trees: Maps and Photographs: Pruning Plan
In the absence of Cllr Anfield from the Meeting it was agreed to put this item over to the January 2009 Meeting.
 - 2.5 Budget & Council Plan Consultation: Letter from NYCC 10/11/08
Councillors had read the letter and had no comment to make on it.
 - 2.6 Rural Services Network: Discussion
Councillors formed the view that this was a lobbying process and they had neither constructive comments to make nor interest in the proposals.
 - 2.7 Freedom of Information Act: Publication Scheme
A Resolution was passed to adopt the new Publication Scheme. It was agreed that Yorkshire Local Councils Association would be asked to supply a standard form of agreement as used by other Parish Councils.
Action: Clerk
The resolution was proposed by Cllr Read, seconded by Cllr Parkinson and passed unanimously.
 - 2.8 CE Electric UK: Information Leaflets and Poster
It was agreed that the Clerk would obtain a small poster based on these leaflets and put it both in the Bus Shelter and Post Office.

Signed:.....(Chairman)

Date:.....

Action: Clerk

- 2.9 Parking on and Damage to Village Green: Action to be Taken
The Clerk recounted his telephone conversation with the Resident in question and it was agreed that a letter should be drafted by the Clerk to both Residents involved in digging out the Green and that it could be approved by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and posted without further reference to the Council.
Action: Clerk
- 2.10 Parking in Main Street: Report
It was agreed that the situation here would be monitored to ensure that NYCC actioned this matter at the earliest opportunity.
Action: Clerk
- 2.11 Grass Cutting 2009/2010: Discussion
The Clerk informed Councillors that ISS Waterscapes were keen to quote again for next year's grass cutting contract. Whilst Councillors felt that this year had not been successful they could not prevent ISS from quoting but felt that other firms should be approached for quotes. Dean Landscapes for example was a name that came up in the discussion and they will be approached.
Action: Clerk to obtain Quotations
- 2.12 Road Verge Conservation: Report
A Resident has written to the author of the Report to enquire of the cost and implication of implementation of the proposals. When a reply has been received it will be discussed by Council.
Cllr Mrs Calvert has been copied into the correspondence and will report back in due course.
Action: Cllr Mrs Calvert to monitor.
- 2.13 Parking of Cars in West End: Dropping off/Collection of Primary School Pupils
Cllr Mrs Calvert had spoken to the Headmistress who thought that matters would settle down as time went on. Parents were encouraged to come on to the School Property both to leave children and collect them. It was agreed that matters would be left for the time being and it would be looked at again at Half-term.
Action: Clerk to schedule
- 2.14 Compensation from RDC: Project discussion
The Clerk will make enquiries in the New Year of Ryedale DC to see if the Council can retain £2000 compensation beyond the start of the next Financial Year. It was also suggested that this Project could be dealt with when Mr D Summers of Ryedale DC visited the Council, say in March 2009, to talk on low voltage lighting with particular reference to street lights in the Village.
Action: Clerk
- 2.15 Awards Certificates
A letter had been received from Sheriff Hutton Village Hall dated 27/11/2008 agreeing to the Certificates being put up in the Hall. Cllr Mrs Bean will liaise with the Trustees about this matter.
Action: Cllr Mrs Bean
- 3 Correspondence
No correspondence was received.
- 4 Planning Applications

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- 4.1 08/01028/FUL: Mr J Petch: Erection of single-storey extension at 2 Warwick Close Sheriff Hutton YO60 6QW. Site Meeting held on 1/12/08. Councillors agreed to support the Application in its present form.
- 4.2 Ryedale DC Approval, subject to conditions, of Application 08/00948/FUL: Mr I Downing: Erection of single storey extension to side and conservatory to rear at 12 Laurels Garth, Sheriff Hutton YO60 6SE. Noted.
- 4.3 Ryedale DC Approval, subject to conditions, of Application 08/00964/FUL: Image Playground (Mr J Musker): Erection of extension to existing industrial unit at 4-6 Alan Farnaby Way, Sheriff Hutton, YO60 6PG. Noted.
- 4.4 Ryedale DC Approval, subject to conditions, of Application 08/00917/FUL: Mr & Mrs B Stewart: Erection of a porch at Hall Farm Barn Ashbank Lane Stittenham York YO60 7TW. Noted.
- 4.5 08/01085/FUL: Mr Yoward: Erection of detached double garage at Ashbank Barn, Ashbank Lane, High Stittenham, York YO60 7TW. Councillors agreed to support the Application in its present form.
- 5 Receipts and Payments
The following accounts were approved for payment:
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| 5.1 SLCC Membership 2009 | £94.00 |
| 5.2 Ryedale DC: Street Light Repair | £84.99 (Vat £12.66) |
- 6 Parish Plan
Cllr Wooles reported that the first draft of the Plan had been completed by the Progress Group. Further progress will be made in the New Year and he will report at that time.
- 7 Parish Website
Cllr Mrs Calvert said that a Meeting of the Committee had taken place. A replacement is in hand for a new Webmaster. A Blog is planned for January 2009. It is intended to put a Services Directory on the Website in the New Year.
- 8 Exchange of Information
- 8.1 Cllr Mrs Bean asked the Clerk to contact NYCC to put grit at Daskett Hill and in the Bulmer Road for safety reasons.
Action: Clerk
- 8.2 Cllr Mrs Bean requested that a Notice be put in the Village News asking Residents not to use the contents of the salt bins for their own drives.
Action: Clerk
- 8.3 Cllr Wooles said that the potholes at the bottom of Castle View at the junction with West End had not yet been attended to. The ruts at the mini-roundabout had also not been worked on. The Clerk will chase the NYCC Highways Department.
Action: Clerk

The Meeting ended at 8.52pm.

The next Meeting will take place on 9th January 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Signed:.....(Chairman)

Date:.....