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Minutes of the meeting of Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council Meeting held in Hovingham Village Hall Community Room

Wednesday 11th March 7.00pm.

Present

Chairman. Councillor P. Chapman. Councillor I. Battersby, Councillor Mrs M. Bell, Councillor R. Matthews, Councillor Mrs W. Swann, Councillor R. Wainwright, Councillor M. Wilson.

Clerk Mrs S. Wainwright

Residents. Mr. D. Richardson, Mrs M Wilson.

North Yorkshire County Councillor Mrs C. Wood

Ryedale District Councillor J. Bailey

Apologies

No apologies

REPORT FROM NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS C. WOOD.

- Contact will be made with Mr. R. Marr about the conduct of the contractors working on Scackleton Lane.
- NYCC is in the top tier of best performing County Councils
- NYCC Council Tax is to rise by 1.99%.
- Savings of £75.4million have to be found this financial year and the government grant is dwindling.
- Vital services will be protected.
- During the winter the hospitals, social care and CCG have performed very well delivering a proper integrated service.
- By 2020 there could be 250 new homes under the extra care scheme.
- Community Speed Watch. Disappointment at many levels that Ryedale had not been invited to participate in the pilot scheme.

Councillor P. Chapman reported that he had registered an interest in being involved.

Questions.

- Councillor P. Chapman asked about the rationalisation of supplying winter salt and grit.

This had not been handled well. Mr. R. Marr was confident that the Parish Council could support a bulk purchase. Parish Councils to be encouraged to respond in good time identifying the areas where they consider NYCC should take responsibility for servicing the salt bins/ heaps.

- Councillor Mrs M. Bell asked North Yorkshire County Councillor Mrs C Wood to outline her views on the proposed drilling for fracking at Ebberstone Moor.

NYCC Planning Committee will address any planning application when it is submitted and she could sit on the Planning Committee. Any application will be put under intense scrutiny. The application in Lancashire is 1 year further forward and the development of that proposal will be followed closely. An application from Third Energy is expected before the end of the month. (Possibly 17th March). It will be a long process with many aspects to be taken in to account. The debate held in the Milton Rooms, organised by RDC, had been very useful but there are still questions to be answered. No convincing case has yet been made for fracking.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR R.WAINWRIGHT.

- Ryedale District Council is in the top tier of best performing District Councils.
- The government grant is better than expected so there is to be no increase in the council tax.

- Proposed solar farm at Sheriff Hutton. Community information evening Sheriff Hutton Village Hall Wednesday 25th March 5.30 – 8.00pm.
- Mobile 'phone mast. No planning application has been submitted to Ryedale District Council.
- Terrington Parish Clerk receives payment of £675pa.
- Community Speed Watch allows residents to operate the equipment which records information allowing the police to contact offenders.

Ryedale District Councillor J. Bailey.

- Explained his position regarding fracking both as a Ryedale District Councillor and as Chairman of North Yorkshire Moors National Park.
- Both bodies would be consultees.
- To date, the government has not banned fracking in the National Park.
- The process will present many challenges for the National Park.

Questions.

- Councillor Mrs M. Bell asked Councillor R. Wainwright about his views on fracking, particularly as he had voted against the motion at the Full Council Meeting on 17th February.

He explained that he was personally against fracking. He acted on advice from the Council Solicitor that the wording of the motion, as it stood, would have been unlawful. He directed those present to read his letter submitted to the local press.

NB. Ms A. Macintosh M.P. can be seen on the Parliamentary Website chairing a Select Committee that is interviewing the CEO of Third Energy and Quadrillo.

North Yorkshire County Councillor Mrs C. Wood and District Councillor J. Bailey left the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th January 2015. Councillor I. Battersby proposed and Councillor M. Wilson seconded and it was agreed that the minutes be signed as a true record.

ACTIONS

General (Hovingham and Scackleton.

Election Procedures.

- Nomination papers need to be taken to Ryedale House before 9th April.
- The clerk will take any nomination papers to Ryedale House.
- Members need to let the clerk have the papers by 31st March otherwise candidates would be responsible for taking their own papers.

Grass cutting.

- Quotation from J. E. Clifford and Sons to cut the verges in Hovingham and Scackleton is the same as last year as were those for the top green and cemetery. North Yorkshire Gardening Services would also cut the bottom green and remove the grass for £10 per cut.
- There is no longer a grant from North Yorkshire County Council towards grass cutting.

Councillor P. Chapman proposed, Councillor I Battersby seconded and it was agreed that this level of grass cutting be continued for this year.

Police

- Community Speed Watch. Councillor P. Chapman had registered an interest on behalf of the Action Group and Neighbourhood Watch.

- The new Police Constable/Sergeant to be invited to the next meeting.

Gritting.

- North Yorkshire County Council is to cut back on the number of salt and grit heaps it will service next winter.
- Councillor P. Chapman proposed that both Action Groups make a survey of the salt and grit bins/heaps and identify those they think the County Council should continue to service bring
- This information to be brought to the July meeting of the Parish Council.
- The cost of buying salt and grit in bulk would be £100 for the first tonne and £10 per tonne for subsequent tonnes.

Scackleton

Action Group Report. Minutes of the last meeting attached.

- Concern was expressed about the condition of the verges and road in the village as a result of the movement of the lorries servicing the road repairs on Scackleton Lane.
- It was agreed that the clerk write to North Yorkshire Highways on behalf of the residents and Parish Council complaining about the damage and attaching the photographs.

Mobile 'Phone Mast

- Councillor R. Matthews reported that the proposed site is in the Hovingham/Scackleton Ward.
- An application will be submitted to Ryedale District Council in April.
- It is not expected that it will be visible from the road or the village.

Councillor R. Wainwright proposed that a site visit be made when an application is received. This was agreed.

Hovingham

Action Group Report (attached)

The Parish Council thanked Mr D. Richardson for his report and for all the work he does through the Action Group and on behalf of the village.

- Village website. This is being updated with links being made to businesses.
- Playground. A plaque in memory of Sir Marcus Worsley is to be unveiled in June.
- Church clock. Maintenance and repair work on the clock was not straight forward but it now appears to be keeping time.

Maintenance.

- Cemetery Wall Repairs. Nothing to report.
- Rabbit Damage in the cemetery. Councillor M Wilson had received a complaint from residents about rabbits eating the plants and flowers from the graves. It was decided any preventative measures would not be cost effective or solve the problem.

Notice Board – Hovingham

- The board has been repaired and supplied with a lock.
- It was agreed the board be left unlocked.
- A notice be put in the board directing people to contact the parish clerk if they find it locked

Pasture Lane Development –

- The footpath leading to the public footpath is now in place. Fence/shrubs need to be put along the pub carpark side of the path.
- The clerk read out an email from Mr R. Thompson asking for the path next to the tennis court and bowling green to be properly surfaced and the shrubs by the bowling green controlled from time to time.
- It was pointed out that this is a public footpath and the responsibility of North

Yorkshire County Council.

- The clerk to contact North Yorkshire County Council that work will be needed on the footpath.
- The clerk has cut back some of the overhanging briars.

New flower tub. Hovingham bottom green.

- A new tub has been purchased. The clerk to notify Mr. R. Wood, Mintwood Services.
- Councillor Mrs W. Swann asked if Mr. R. Wood could be reminded to maintain the flower tub near the pump in Scackleton. Clerk to contact.

FINANCE

Additional cost of dog waste bins at Scackleton.

- The price quoted was incorrect and an additional cost had been incurred.
- This had been paid in full but members were unhappy about this.
- It was agreed that should this happen in future members should be consulted before a payment is made.

Councillor R. Wainwright proposed and Councillor I. Battersby seconded that the amount be approved and that it be a lesson learned.

Budget and Financial Update. Attached.

- Councillor P. Chapman pointed out that there are still some outstanding bills.
- The NYCC grant for grass cutting is zero.
- The War Stock had been redeemed.
- There are a number of items of expenditure that will need consideration in the future.
- The current clerk is paid expenses only.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS All information previously circulated. Available on RDC website. To view hard copies contact Parish Clerk

Mrs S. Mason **15/00042/FUL** Town End Farm, Scackleton Received 27.01.15. Comments 19.02.15 **Approved 06.03.2015**

CORRESPONDENCE. Not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

- Commons Act 2006. Implementation of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006.
- RAY 52 Painless things Your Community Can Do. (See noticeboard)
- Transparency Code. Circulated to all Councillors and noted.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Work has been carried out on the pothole opposite the Worsley Arms and by the Malt Shovel.
- Councillor R. Wainwright asked if the school clock could be kept wound. Councillor M. Wilson agreed to mention it to the staff.

Dates for the next Parish Council Meetings.

2015 – 14th Jan, 11th March, 13th May (post-election), 8th July (Scackleton), 9th Sept, 11th Nov

The meeting closed at 8.30pm