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Minutes of the Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council Meeting held in Hovingham Village Hall Community Room on Wednesday 8th March 2017 at 7pm

APOLOGIES. Councillor R. Wainwright

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Councillor P. Chapman proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18th January 2017 be signed as a true record.

REPORT FROM NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS C. WOOD.

- North Yorkshire County Council has set a budget.
- The 3.99% increase in Council Tax includes 2% specifically for Social Care.
- There will be a further 2% for 2018/19 and 2019/20 for Social Care.
- Savings continue to be identified as by 2020 there will be no grant from central government.
- Community Speed Watch. Disappointment was expressed to the response from the police at the Area Committee. The Deputy Chief Constable, who holds the responsibility for this, will be contacted.
- Councillor M. Wilson asked a number of questions about the road works in the area.
- Councillors were advised to put the questions in writing to Mr J. Malcolm in order to receive a comprehensive explanation.
- NYCC welcomed the announcement in the budget today of additional funding for social care.

County Councillor Clare Wood then left the meeting.

PRESENTATION FROM MS H. CLARK RURAL INITIATIVES and TRANSPORT CO-ORDINATOR FOR NEXT STEPS.

- Ms H. Clark outlined the background and aims of the organisation which has Big Lottery Funding for 5 years.
- Next Steps is an independent charity with very active trustees.
- The range of services and activities were outlined. (see handouts and posters)
- Transport for groups or individuals can be provided for rural areas.
- There is no help with benefits or medical care but customers are sign posted to the right service.

Comments and support from Councillors.

- Suggested the inclusion of 'Mental Health' on publications puts off the very people they are trying to help.
- Initial contact in rural areas could/should be made within the village setting.
- Information could be published in the village newsletter.
- An offer was made to promote the service through a stall at the village market

REPORT FROM RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR R. WAINWRIGHT

No report available.

ACTIONS

To deal with matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting and new actions (bold)

GENERAL (Hovingham & Scackleton)

Dog Fouling

- Continuing problem in both villages.
- Reports from Hovingham residents about fouling of the footpath along the side of the tennis court.
- Notices have been displayed reminding dog owners of their responsibility.
- Request from Scackleton for 3 Dog Fouling notices.
- New notice will be placed on Top Green by school entrance to cover all entrances as children play in this area

SCACKLETON

Action Group Report.

- A meeting was held on 7th March. No minutes available.

HOVINGHAM.

Action Group Report – attached.

- Litter pick organised for Saturday 11th March 10 am.
- Market continues to be well supported with the majority of customers being local.

Car Boot Sale use of village greens, excluding Hall Green, on 29th May and 28th August 2017

- Permission was granted for both events on the usual terms.

Cemetery Wall Repairs.

- Mr D. Lumley would be paid for the work carried out to date.

Flooding.

- Councillor M. Wilson reported that since ditches higher up had been cleaned out the water rose more quickly in the village.
- Councillor Ms M. Gripaos had drawn up a telephone tree and had support from Ms F. Hurst.
- Sir William Worsley, Mr R. Orange-Bromehead and Councillor M. Wilson met and the recommendation was to take soil out either side of the wooden footbridge for about 20m each side and the banks altered near Spa Road to allow the water to flow into the pipes without restriction. It is proposed that a digger comes during harvest so the spoil can be spread on the fields. The quote for this work is £430 + VAT.
- Proposal for next meeting for the Parish Council to share the cost of this work with Hovingham Estate.

Footpaths.

- Edging had been carried out very successfully on village footpaths at the cost of £125.00. Councillors expressed their thanks for the work being carried out so quickly.

Mini Re-cycling Area.

- Thank you to those who removed the household waste left in this area in the last month.
- An extra waste bin has been ordered to accommodate rubbish from the village hall especially on market days.
- Residents are reminded that this is the only village facility in Ryedale and is for paper, tins, glass and plastic bottles only.

Pasture Lane – update. Nothing to report.

Notice to fell trees in a Conservation Area. Sir William Worsley.

- Councillors did not oppose the proposed felling but did not believe the reasons given in some cases were valid.

8.15 pm Councillor R. Wainwright arrived.

Village Clock Winder Proposal, up to £6,000 plus electrical installation. Document attached.

- The discussion paper produced by Mr D. Richardson was circulated.
- Proposed that the Parish Council hold and manage any monies raised for this project.
- It was agreed that the PCC should be given a copy of the document for their comments.
- Point (9) was discussed and that the amount of money be reviewed with the PCC.

Village Hall Constitution. Document attached.

- Document circulated setting out reasons why the Parish Council, as Custodian Trustee, would not support the proposed new constitution.
- Councillor M. Wilson suggested the best way forward would be for representatives of all three interested parties to meet and discuss the issues.
- Clerk to make a formal request for the original deeds be returned to the Parish Council.

FINANCE

Finance Update and Budget 2017/2018. Copy attached.

Car Park, Cemetery and Newsletter Accounts

- The Chairman proposed that the Cemetery Account be managed in the same way as those of the Car Park and Newsletter.
- The proposal to be formalised at the next meeting.
- Councillor M. Wilson thanked Councillor P. Chapman for the detailed and comprehensive set of accounts.

Grass Cutting Contracts for 2017. Verges, village greens and cemetery.

- The prices submitted by existing contractors were the same as last year except for a small increase of £5 per cut for the cemetery.
- It was agreed to continue with the current contractors.

Proposal to spend £167.50 to replace missing posts, including guards, on top green Hovingham.

- It was agreed to go ahead with this work as soon as possible.

Proposal to spend £850 on painting village railings Hovingham.

- It was agreed to go ahead with this work as soon as possible and weather permitting.

Proposal to host Village Clock Winder project accounts and contribute £750

- Councillors felt it was too early to make this commitment.
- Item to be visited again once the PCC had seen and discussed the document produced by Mr D. Richardson

and their views and level of commitment known to the Parish Council.

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

- Mr Anthony Palmer **17/00199/HOUSE** Grange Cottage, Scackleton. Erection of a single storey extension to side elevation. **Observations by 19th March 2017**
- Councillor Mrs W. Swann and Councillor R. Matthews advised that no objection be made to this application.

CORRESPONDENCE. Not covered elsewhere on the agenda

NYCC Consultation on management and maintenance of the county's public rights of way network.

- Proposals and questionnaire available www.northyorks.gov.uk/prowconsultation
- Consultation closes on 19th March 2017.

Citizen's Advice Bureau.

- Letter of thanks for donation received from the Parish Council.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Councillor M. Wilson reported that the maintenance work had been carried out on the village seats thanks to Mr John Anderson.
- The seats will be put out when time allows.
- Clerk distributed copies of the cemetery fees and charges last reviewed November 2012 to be considered at the next meeting.

Date of the next meeting.

10th May 2017. Annual Meeting followed by normal Parish Council Meeting

Dates for subsequent Parish Council Meetings.

2017. 5th July at Scackleton, 13th September, 8th November

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