

Minutes of Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council held in Hovingham Village Hall

Wednesday 4th May 2016 at 7:00pm.

Present. Councillor I Battersby, Councillor P. Chapman, Councillor Ms M. Gripaios, Councillor R. Matthews, Councillor Mrs W. Swann, Councillor R. Wainwright, Councillor M. Wilson.

Clerk. Mrs S. Wainwright

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

Apologies. No apologies.

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9th March 2016.

- These had been circulated and displayed on the notice boards.
- Councillor M. Wilson proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed that they be signed as a true record.

REPORT FROM NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS C. WOOD. No report available.

REPORT FROM RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR R. WAINWRIGHT

Slingsby Village Design Statement

- Slingsby Village Design Statement is out for consultation over the next 6 weeks.
- It can be viewed on Slingsby village website or at RDC.
- Although not statutory it might be good for Hovingham to draw up a similar statement..

Pasture Lane.

- Enforcement Notice documents have been drawn up and will be sent to the land owner, Stirling Mortimer Ltd, and the developer, Trilandium Home LLP.
- They have 28 days in which time they can appeal to the Planning Inspectorate against the notice or 2 months in which to carry out the work.
- Failure to carry out the work will lead to prosecution by RDC and a maximum fine of £20,000 imposed.

Open Spaces Fund update.

- Total amount received was £43,500 of which £41,843 was allocated in 2013.
- Total spend to date £38,274.
- The Cricket Club, Village Hall and Bowls Club have no outstanding claims.
- The Playground has £704.50 to spend.
- The Tennis Club has £1,794.00 to spend.

Fracking

- Councillor Ms M. Gripaios asked about NYCC Fracking Consultation with Ryedale District Council.
- Councillor R. Wainwright reported that RDC was a consultee and the majority of District Councillors had voted against Fracking.

Local Plan

- Councillor M. Wilson asked when the Local Plan would be published.
- Councillor R. Wainwright reported the Government had requested more changes so it would be late summer before it is published.

ACTIONS

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

GENERAL (Hovingham & Scackleton)

Bus service

- The service is unsatisfactory with a tight timetable that makes no allowance for delays.
- Guidelines are for a 2 hr service but there is no accountability or quality control.

Flower tubs and sourcing plants.

- The Action Group had planted up the tubs spending £20.
- The group advised not to replace the tub by the post box this year but replace it next year along with the one by the beck.
- Scackleton residents were taking care of their village tubs.

Grass Cutting.

- Written confirmation of the price had been received from Cliffords – Hovingham £290 per cut, Scackleton £53 per cut subject to fuel prices remaining lower. Councillor I. Battersby proposed, Councillor M. Wilson seconded and it was agreed to accept the quotation.
- NYCC grants – Hovingham £473.93, Scackleton £72.51 towards the bill for grass cutting.

SCACKLETON

Action Group Report

- Councillor Mrs W. Swann reported that Scackleton Action Group proposed to purchase a defibrillator which

- would be put in the telephone box and use solar power.
- Clive Birch is to investigate getting superfast broadband and report back to the next meeting.
- Residents to manage the flower tubs.
- Everything was in hand for the market café on Saturday.
- A Safari Supper is planned for September.
- Signs. ‘Slow Down Children Playing’ appear to be having the desired effect.

HOVINGHAM.

Action Group report.

- Attached to the minutes.
- Request for clock winders had not generated any interest.
- Names were suggested of some people who might be approached to help.

Car Park Re-surfacing.

- Councillors I. Battersby, M. Wilson and the clerk had met with a contractor to discuss the work.
- Estimated cost of the work could be in the region of £30,000.
- To alleviate large puddles forming the advice was to remove the gravel from the soak away and replace with larger stone/gravel.
- Chairman of VH Committee had been given information about grants available for resurfacing work and the names of approved contractors from the AONB.
- Councillor M. Wilson to arrange for any correspondence relating to this matter to be share between Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council.
- This too big a project financially for the Parish Council to carry out on its own.

Car Park – 3 trees and flagpole.

- The market group had agreed to purchase 3 trees to be planted at the far end of the car park but it is too late to carry out the work now.
- Village Hall Committee are considering a proposal to put up a flag pole near the seating area.
- Parish Council to consider a response once the projects on the carpark and walls have been completed as they considered them a higher priority.

Cemetery Path.

- Not a priority but remain on the wish list of projects to be undertaken.

Cemetery Wall Repairs.

- Continue to monitor.

Flooding. Councillor M. Wilson.

- Soil had been put along the beck-side below the stone bridge, working to levels agreed with the Environment Agency.
- Hovingham Estate and Mr J. Davies had donate soil but more is still needed to finish the work. They are both thanked for this
- Proposal to purchase two more bags of topsoil at the cost of £90.00.
- Top soil and seed to be put on tomorrow. (Thursday 5th May)
- Return valves had been fitted to the drains but over time had been knocked off.
- North Yorkshire Highways will carry out refitting/renewing the valves.
- Discussions with Sir William Worsley about the over flow channel had taken place but no immediate satisfactory way forward to improve the overflow channel had been agreed.
- In the future, working with the Environment Agency to create a ‘Slow the Flow’ area further upstream may be a solution.

No Cold Calling Zone.

- The project, supported by North Yorkshire County Councillor Mrs C. Wood, has been given approval.
- Parish Council not aware that any objections had been received.
- Information packs have been received and require delivery.
- They are too heavy to be delivered with the newsletters.
- Councillor P. Chapman proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed to spend £30 for an appropriate person to deliver packs within the village boundary.

Pasture Lane – update

- See Report from District Councillor R. Wainwright

Railings. Painting and Maintenance.

- Painting of posts carried out today.
- Approximate cost £75 had been agreed.
- It was agreed not to paint the protective strips around the base of each post.

Website Project.

- Thanks to David Richardson and Caroline Davies the website is almost up and running.
- A grant of £750 had been received from NYCC but this was less than the true cost.
- The Market Group and the Action Group had agreed to make a contribution. The Village hall has also been asked to make a similar contribution.
- Request for the Parish Council to make a contribution of £100.00.

FINANCE

Finance Report.

- Copies of the financial statement had been circulated and are attached to these minutes.

Inspection of Accounts

- Thanks to Mrs J. Vowles for carrying out a thorough inspection of the accounts.

Fixed Assets.

- On the recommendation of the external auditor a list had been made of the fixed assets.
- Councillors to consider the type of insurance cover needed for these items.

Insurance.

- Councillor Ms. M. Gripaios proposed, Councillor M. Wilson seconded and it was agreed that the insurance cover of £580.00 due 1st June 2016 be paid to Zurich Insurance.
- Once Councillors had decided on the level of insurance for the fixed assets the company would be contacted to review the cover and adjust any payment.

Proposal to paint new railings.

- Councillor P. Chapman proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed to pay £75 to paint the new railings on the top green.

Proposal to protect remaining posts from strimmer.

- The posts and rails in the village had been inspected and deemed sound.
- The cost of protecting the base of each post would be £3.50 per post plus labour at £18.00 per hour.
- Councillor M. Wilson proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed to spend up to £600.00 for protection of 105 posts.

Proposal to support village website development.

- Councillor I Battersby proposed, Councillor M. Wilson seconded and it was agreed to make a one off contribution of £100.00.

Proposal to purchase soil for Brookside.

- Councillor P. Chapman proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed to pay for the additional 2 bags of top soil to finish off the work on the verge at Brookside.

RAY Subscription.

- It was agreed to continue to pay the yearly subscription of £35.00.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

- Sir William Worsley **16/00322/LBC** Hovingham Hall. **Approved 14.04.16**
- Mr Stephen Smith **16/00712/LBC** Barns to rear of Ford View, Brookside, Hovingham. External alterations to include installation of a replacement window to south elevation (revised details to approval 14/00088/LBC dated 21.07.14) Observations by **08.05.16**.
- Mr Peter Stark **16/00630/FUL** Erection of an agricultural building for storage purposes. Station Farm Hovingham YO62 4QL. Observations by **20.05.16**.

CORRESPONDENCE. Not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

Letter from Mrs Hazel Winzar.

- Drawing attention to dog fouling outside Coronation Cottages.
- Clerk had put up signs reminding dog owners of the penalty for this offence.
- Clerk to write to Mrs Hazel Winzar.

Request from Mrs Pauline Fisher via Mr Shepherd-Cross

- Request for Parish Council to cut the grass and verge outside Post Cottage.
- At this time Parish Council is not prepared to spend any more of the precept on grass cutting.

INEOS Consultation 11th May 13.30 to 16.00

- Councillor P. Chapman and Councillor Ms M. Gripaios to attend this event.

Letter re Saville Street Methodist Church Meeting Tuesday 10th May 6.30 pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Commercial Street, Norton.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Councillor Ms M. Gripaios reported she had recruited 10 people to help in the event of flooding.
- The film company responsible for the programme 'Hidden Villages' had shown interest in the information about the village market.
- It is understood that the Social Committee is winding up and will not be running the Car Boot Sale at the end of the month. Another village organisation may like to run this event they should contact the Parish Clerk to apply. This year the Church will administer the Car Boot Sale and the Chapel will run the Café in the Village Hall.

Proposed Dates for the next Parish Council Meetings.

2016 –13th July at Scackleton, 14th Sept, 9thNov.

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