

Kirk Deighton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12 September 2018 in the Village Hall

Present

Kirk Deighton Deighton Parish Cllrs David Richardson (Chair), John Shoesmith, Penny Warneken and David Scolah.

Nancy Fairbairn (Clerk)

Cllr Andrew Paraskos of NYCC and HBC

1. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

David Manson. Absence approved by the Council.

2. To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 July 2018 as a true and correct record

The minutes were determined to be a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.

3. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda

None

4. Matters arising from the minutes that are not otherwise on the agenda

None

5. North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC)

5.1 To report progress on all highways issues

The Chair noted ongoing concerns about speeding through the village. Cllr Paraskos advised that NYCC have reviewed the option of 20mph speed limits in villages. However, this option was unlikely to be pursued as the Police do not have the capacity enforce such speed limits. Cllr Paraskos advised that NYCC were encouraging the use of gateway signs. KDPC Cllrs expressed the view that gateway signs are an expensive, and probably not effective, option.

Cllr Warneken raised a concern regarding the poor condition of the roundabout on the B1224/A1(M) compared to the sections of the A168 and B1224 which has recently been resurfaced. Cllr Paraskos advised that this roundabout is likely to be the responsibility of Highways England rather than NYCC. The Clerk was asked to write to Highways England regarding this.

5.2 Any other items of relevance

None

6. Harrogate Borough Council [HBC]

The Local Plan has now been submitted to the Secretary of State. In addition, HBC now has a 5 year plan in place to meet housing needs.

Cllr Paraskos advised that there had been some restructuring within the Planning Department. Cllr Warneken expressed concern that it is no longer possible to have face to face discussions with a planning officer or to see a hardcopy copy of the relevant file if a resident attends the Council offices in person.

7. Planning Matters

7.1 To report on planning applications and decisions recently received from HBC.

7.1.1 Decided

6.136.207.FUL – dismantling and rebuilding of existing outbuildings; formation of 4 rooflights and 2 sun-tunnels; installation of fenestration; alteration to fenestration; alteration to boundary wall; replacement of roof at 3 St Marks Terrace Main Street. Approved subject to conditions - All new windows and doors shall be set in reveals to match those of the existing windows and doors.

6.136.120.D Application to allow positioning of access gates at Monkey Puzzle House, Lime Kiln Lane. Approved subject to conditions - gates to be 2 meters from highway

7.1.2 To note applications where a response has already been submitted

6.136.207.A.CON - Demolition of outbuilding at 3 St Marks Terrace, Main Street

6.136.170.B.OUT – Demolition of bungalow and erection 2 detached dwellings at Fern Lea, Main Street

6.136.202. FUL 18/03020/FUL Erection of single first storey extension at Glebe Cottage

6.136.178D.FUL 18.02122/FUL Removal of hedge. Demolition and replacement of gate with formation of railing St Anns, Main Street

7.1.3 To consider the following planning applications

6.136.132.B.FUL Demolition of garage and erection of a single-storey and 1st floor extension at 1 School House Terrace. No objections were raised and the Clerk is to notify HBC accordingly.

7.2 To report progress on HBC Planning Committee Meeting on 14 August 2018 in relation to Harrogate Road/Stockeld development and subsequent correspondence from Wetherby & Kirk Deighton Countryside Partnership.

It was noted that although HBC Planning Committee voted against the application the Legal Officer pulled in the application under special measures within the constitution. This prevents rejection of the application until the Planning Committee have received an exempt report which will not be available to the public.

Wetherby & Kirk Deighton Countryside Partnership have advised that the application may be reconsidered at the next Planning Committee meeting on 25 September 2018. It was agreed the KDPC will continue to object to the application, focusing on concerns about education and traffic. Cllr Paraskos will notify the Clerk as soon as he receives confirmation that the application is on the agenda for a Planning Committee meeting. As the Chair is not available on 25 September 2018 Cllr Scurah volunteered to represent KDPC if the application is considered on that date.

7.3 To consider setting up a planning sub-committee

It was resolved that additional public meetings of KDPC be held, when necessary, to consider any planning applications where a response is required by HBC before the bimonthly KDPC meeting. Such meetings to take place on the second Wednesday of the month.

8. Safer Neighbourhood and Village matters

8.1 To report on crime figure and issues in the period

01.08.18 – Business premises broken into and power tools taken. Under investigation

It was noted there has been an increase in the reported theft of power tools in adjacent parishes over the summer months.

8.2 Bus shelter lighting -to report on potential alternative suppliers

No alternative electricity have been identified since the nPower contract was terminated. The Clerk will write to nPower reiterating that KDPC do not wish to have an unmetered supply to the bus shelter.

It was noted that the light sensor is broken and Cllr Scurah will obtain a quote for repairs.

8.3 Village litter collection

An autumn litter collection will take place on 13 October 2018. HBC have confirmed that equipment is available on this date. This will be advertised in a newsletter to be circulated to all properties and notices will be posted around the village. The Clerk will send a copy of KDPC Insurance Certificate to HBC.

8.4 Stile on the corner of Ashdale Lane and Garth End

The landowner does not wish to remove the stile and no further action is to be taken in relation to this.

8.5 Improvements to paths at the A168 end of Mark Lane & Scriftain Lane

Cllr Paraskos had not had a response from the Highways Department as to whether they are responsible for the path adjacent to Mark Lane. It is thought that the Scriftain Lane path is on private land. Cllr Paraskos advised that NYCC cannot provide any grants to cover repair work if there will be an ongoing maintenance cost. At this stage it was agreed that the condition of the Mark Lane path be investigated further to establish whether there is tarmac under the mud/vegetation. This will be done at the same time as the litter collection on 13 October 2018.

8.6 Memorial for Clive Rodda

It was agreed that a bench, with a plaque, would be appropriate. Potential sites were identified as either the grassed area at the end of Scriftain Lane or by the bus stop adjacent to the war memorial. The cost, including installation, is likely to be in the region of £700. The chair agreed to obtain more detailed costings to be considered at the next meeting. Cllr Paraskos advised that a grant may be available to cover part of the costs.

8.7 Village waste bins

The Clerk has requested a quote from HBC re cost of emptying the 2 waste bins currently emptied by local residents.

8.8 Neighbourhood Plan

It was agreed to hold a further meeting at 7 pm on Wednesday 10 October 2010 to discuss in more detail how to progress this matter. In particular to identify the key issues the plan should focus on and how to ensure involvement of, and consultation with, residents.

8.9 Spring bulb planting

The purchase of additional bulbs using funds provided by Northern Gasworks was agreed. The Chair has mapped out the areas to be planted and will organise a planting team in due course. Cllr Warneken confirmed that she has already notified HBC that KDPC wish to purchase spring bulbs from them.

9 Administration

9.1 GDPR - To agree a Records Management Policy and a Data Audit

Deferred to next 14.11.18 as Cllr Manson was not in attendance.

9.2 Parish Council Newsletter to publicise the litter pick, website, bulb planting and war memorial.

The Chair has prepared a newsletter and this will be emailed to Cllrs shortly before approval. The Chair will distribute it once approved.

9.3 Courses/training

The Clerk attend a New Clerks Briefing held by YLCA which was very informative. Cllrs were advised to check YLCA and NALC websites to identify any courses that they would like to attend.

9.4 Clerk's Contract of Employment

This was reviewed and agreed. The Clerk will forward a copy to the Chair for signature. Autela are to be instructed to deal with HMRC requirements.

10 Correspondence

To consider the following new correspondence received and decide action where necessary:

22.08.2018 Hiscox Insurance Co Ltd. Notification of transfer of insurance policies underwritten by HIC to Hiscox SA to ensure Hiscox can continue to service policies post-Brexit. No action required

04.09.2018 HBC. Broadband survey

05.09.2018 HBC. Notification of Submission of Harrogate District Local Plan. No action required

10.09.2018 GoDaddy Renewal. It was noted that the renewal of the kirkdeighton.com domain name, at an annual cost of £12.99, is due on 10 October 2018. It was agreed to continue with this.

11 Financial matters

11.1 To approve the following accounts for payment
£60 Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal wreath x 2
£409.20 Pullan Landscaping £409.20 Invoice 5033 August grass cut

11.2 To note the following payments previously authorised
£13.50 YLCA New Clerks Briefing
£27.24 Printer paper, postage and stationery supplies
£8.50 Printer ink
£463.20 Pullan Landscaping

11.3 To receive a bank reconciliation to date
Bank statement at 20 August 2018 £6231.97
Unpresented cheques £0

12 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting

Concerns re environmental impact of Scriftain Car Wash

13 Any other Business

A replacement auditor is being sought for 2017/18 accounts. A notice has been put on kirkdeighton.com and the village facebook page

14 To confirm that date of the next meeting as 14 November 2018

Nancy Fairbairn

Clerk to the Parish Council

