

**LONG PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL  
THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
MINUTES**

**583. 15 Minutes for public participation session**

Six parishioners sat in attendance. Mrs Handford raised concerns regarding the Planning Appeal within existing agricultural land off Back Lane and the alleged administrative error by CDC in terms of whether or not this agricultural field is located within a conservation area. This item was further discussed at 590.c.

Mrs Harrison-Walker raised serious concerns in connection with the safety of children walking to and from school when the development on Green Gate Lane is built. This item was further discussed at 590.a2.

**584.** The Council **noted** the resignation of Cllr Carol Slinn and the grass mower file was returned to the Clerk. On behalf of all Councillors, the Chairman, Cllr Tyrer, thanked Cllr Slinn for her service. The Council **agreed** to give public notice that it has three casual vacancies and it will publicise this notice in the next issue of the Parish Magazine and on the website and notice board.

**585. Present**

Cllrs Tyrer (Chairman), Inglis and Brierley.

Apologies have been received from Cllr Morley. .

In **attendance**: CD Cllr Moorby and Marijke Hill (Parish Clerk & RFO).

**586. Code of Conduct and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

No Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Interests were recorded in relation to items on the Agenda. No requests were made for dispensations in connection with items on the Agenda.

**587. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019, should be approved and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Tyrer, as a true and accurate record.

**588. Matters arising from Minutes not otherwise included in the Agenda**

There were no matters arising from Minutes.

**589. Issues relating to Craven District and North Yorkshire County Councils, the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, the Police and Parish Council Representatives to External Bodies**

- a. CD Cllr Chris Moorby **reported** on developments regarding the Hellifield Regeneration Plan and the public meeting, held on 21<sup>st</sup> August. The history of planning approval was clarified by planning officers at CDC. The work on the site is in accordance with the approved plans and there is no breach of planning control. The developer has discharged the conditions and commenced on site to secure the planning permission and there is not a time limit to complete. Regarding the letter received from the developer's solicitors that Waterside Lane is a private road and trespassers might be subject to legal action, NYCC Public Rights of Way Department has confirmed that, although the road is not maintained at public expense, it is deemed highway as it has been used for more than 20 years without the owner displaying a sign and/or closing the road for public access for one day a year. A further public meeting for residents of Hellifield and Long Preston regarding the Hellifield Regeneration Plan, including The Flashes and the Station is scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> September at Hellifield Village Hall.
- CD Cllr Chris Moorby also **reported** that the Public meeting with NYP on rural crime and operation owl, which was scheduled on 18<sup>th</sup> September, has now been postponed until further notice.

- b. NYCC Cllr Richard Welch **reported** on flooding issues and a blocked drain at Moor Lane. Both issues have been reported to NYCC Highways.
- c. There was no report from the YDNPA.
- d. PCSO Jayne Grace had sent a written monthly police incidents report with 34 incidents between 28 June and 1 September 2019, notably three reports of an RTC: one at the traffic lights, one on the A65 and one on the A682 as well as highway disruption with rocks on the A65 and a broken down vehicle on the A65; some reports of ASB and some reports of concern for safety.

## **590. Planning applications**

### **590.a Received**

- 1 C/52/63X - application to modify the Section 106 Legal Agreement attached to planning permission C/52/63W, to accord with the new (2015-2030) Local Plan Policy L2, Appendix 6 at Kirkacre House. The Council **agreed** it had no objection to or comments on this planning application.
2. C/52/56D - full planning permission for construction of 16 new dwellings (affordable), with associated access and hard and soft landscaping at Green Gate Lane. The Council **agreed** to make the following comments regarding this planning application:  
*The Council does not object to the development of this site with affordable housing. However, the outline planning permission is for 13 dwellings and the Council believes that 16 dwellings on this site is over-intensive.*  
*The Council is very concerned about the safety of school children walking to and from school. The roads and lanes around the school are all narrow and without a pavement or path. This development is very close to the school and the children have to walk on the road.*  
*Access into Green Gate Lane from Maypole Green is very narrow and the Council is concerned about the impact of increased traffic on its narrow lanes.*  
*The village is already under great pressure for parking and the Council is concerned that there are not enough visitors' parking spaces at the development.*

### **590.b Decisions**

- 1 YDNPA: C/52/728 – full planning permission for removal of temporary shed and parking spaces to enable construction of one 2-storey local occupancy dwelling, Eldon Country Hotel, Church Street **withdrawn**
- 2 YDNPA C/52/644J – full planning permission for change of use of upper floor of barn to ancillary living accommodation, The Riddings, Manor House **not yet decided.**
- 3 YDNPA: Tree Preservation Order no 1 (LONG PRESTON) 1989 for the reduction and reshape of two yew and one cedar, 37 Kirkmangate **given consent**
- 4 YDNPA: Tree Preservation Order no 1 (LONG PRESTON) 1989 to remove one storm damaged branch from one horse chestnut at St Mary's Church **given consent**

### **590.c Other Planning Matters**

- 1 Planning Appeal – APP/C2708/W/19/3234563: Single storey potting shed and create an allotment area within existing agricultural land, Agricultural Field off Back Lane. The Council **agreed** to send to the Planning Inspectorate an additional comment regarding the location of this land within the Long Preston Conservation Area.

## **591. Reports and decisions on various village matters**

### **591.a street lighting matters:**

The Council had informed residents on Church Street about the proposed location of the new steel lamp post in replacement for the wooden post and **noted** that more dialogue with residents is needed, before making a decision. The Council **agreed** to make enquiries with NYCC Highways regarding the proposed installation of this new lamp post and report back at the next Parish Council meeting.

**591.b trees matters: to receive update regarding two trees on A65 obscuring illumination and to receive quotation for tree assessment**

The Council was **informed** that the tree work described at minute 562.c apart from the crown reduction on the sycamore is in progress.

The Council **agreed** to accept the quotation received from Tree Tops Forestry to carry out a survey on all of the Council's trees for £395 + VAT.

The Council **considered** replacing the two cherry trees, which were removed at Brewery Green earlier this year with one mountain ash and one silver birch and **agreed** to ask for a quotation for the two trees.

**591.c to consider further action regarding the telephone kiosk refurbishment**

There was no further report.

**591.d grass cutting matters**

There were no grass cutting matters reported.

**591.e to consider action regarding maintenance on Westend Green**

The Council had **received** correspondence that carrying out maintenance on Westend Green now would have negative implications on the wildlife there. The Council **agreed** that trimming back the vegetation as part of autumnal clearing up is a better option than total removal and this work will now be carried out later this year.

**591.f Playing Fields matters**

Cllr Brierley, the Parish Council representative on the PFA, **informed** the Council that ENW has pulled the cable through the dug trench, and the actual connection and a meter fitting are the remaining works, before completion.

The Council **noted** that RoSPA has scheduled the play area inspection for September.

**591.g lengthsman services matters**

The Council was **informed** that the vegetation on the lane behind Grosvenor Croft is overgrowing. The Council **agreed** that Cllr Morley should ask the lengthsman to trim this vegetation.

**591.h to receive an update regarding Christmas lights 2019**

Cllr Brierley **informed** the Council that all the Christmas lights are inspected and some are in a poor condition. The Christmas Lights Switch-On 2019 will be held in the Village Hall on 6<sup>th</sup>

December from 2 to 5 pm. The Council **agreed** that Cllr Brierley should prepare a proposed order for new Christmas Lights within the budget.

**591.i benches matters: to consider action regarding two quotations for purchase of new bench**

The Council has **received** correspondence regarding the two benches on the small green adjacent to Maypole Green, which need repainting with the correct coloured paint. The Council **agreed** that Cllr Morley should instruct the lengthsman to collect this paint and repaint the two benches. The Council **considered** the two quotations received and **agreed** to purchase a 180cm Teak bench for £470.00.

**592 To receive reports and decide actions on village matters other than maintenance**

**592.a to receive update regarding site meeting at 3/4 Back Green Cottages with NGN in connection with reinstatement of gas supply**

The Council had **received** notice from Northern Gas Networks to re-instate a gas connection to 3/4 Back Green. The Council had **agreed** to reply that the Village Green is owned by the Parish Council and that no works should be carried out on or under the Village Green without the

Council's prior consent and that there is no established way to 3/4 Back Green. The Council had also **agreed** to a site meeting with NGN and it was **resolved** that an easement should be drawn up.

The Council was **informed** that the negotiations with the owners of 3/4 Back Green have been ongoing for the last 3 ½ years in order to regularise the situation with a Deed of Easement. The Council **agreed** to write to the owners again and urge them to accept the Council's procedure and to come to an agreement with the Council.

**592.b** to receive draft border license for Back Green Barn

The Council has not received an update on this matter.

**592.c** to consider action regarding minute 567.b on resignation of Long Preston Water Trustees and Clerk

The Council had **received** correspondence regarding the resignation of Long Preston Water Trustees and it **agreed** to rectify minute 567.b. The resignation of the Secretary owing to internal differences is inaccurate and untrue. The Council **agreed** it was misinformed as the Clerk to Long Preston Water Trust felt it was the right time to leave her role after nearly 13 years.

**592.d** to consider attending the YDNPA southern Autumn 2019 Parish Forum meeting

The Council **agreed** that the Chairman, Cllr Tyrer, will attend this meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> October at the Devonshire Institute in Grassington.

**592.e** to note temporary road closure, Mill Lane

The Council has **received** a note for a temporary road closure of Mill Lane between 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> August 2019 for superfast broadband works.

**592.f** to consider action regarding setting up of computer training sessions

The Chairman, Cllr Tyer, **informed** the Council that setting up computer training sessions is in progress.

**593. Financial matters**

**593.a** To receive Financial Statements and bank reconciliation to 28 August 2019

The Council **resolved** to approve the Financial Statements, including the bank reconciliation to 28 August 2019.

**593.b** The Council **confirmed** approval of payments of the following accounts for August: -

Vodafone direct debit wifi Village Hall July	£ 23.00
E.ON (street light electricity June)	£ 89.94
Beck's Garden Machinery (repair Kabola gearbox belts etc)	£514.14
Beck's Garden Machinery (repair 2 machines)	£144.00
GeoXphere Ltd (parish online annual fee)	£ 36.00
M. Hill (salary & expenses July)	£562.18
S. Andrews (grass cutting July)	£534.00
Harrison & Cross (Christmas lights tree socket at Village Hall)	£528.00

**593.c** The Council **approved** and **authorised** payment of the following accounts for September:-

Vodafone direct debit wifi Village Hall August	£ 23.00
E.ON (street light electricity July)	£ 92.95
Paragon Internet Group Tsohost (6 months website renewal)	£ 30.00
M. Hill (clerk's salary and expenses August 2019)	£552.06
S. Andrews (grass cutting August)	£584.00
E.ON (street light electricity August)	£ 92.95

D. Bussey (lengthsman work July and August)	£240.00
Cllr Inglis (grass cutting petty cash)	£100.00

**Received:**

HSBC interest July: £2.43 and August £2.23

HMRC: VAT reclaim 2018-2019: £1257.90

The Council **resolved** to withhold some of the payment to D. Bussey for 11 hours of work on YDNPA PROW and **agreed** to make enquiries to clarify this.

The Council **resolved** to instruct the clerk to transfer £1,714.96 from the deposit to the current account to cover payment of these accounts.

**593.d** To receive revenue from 'Robin Hood' performance from the Chairman

The Chairman, Cllr Tyrer, **informed** the Council that he will bring the cash revenue from the 'Robin Hood' performance to the next Parish Council meeting.

**594. Reports on or notice of meetings of other bodies.**

- \* Council for British Archaeology workshop 21 September, Selby
- \* National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces (NFPGS) regional conferences
- \* NALC Chief Executives bulletin 08/07; 22/07; 16/08; 23/08;
- \* YLCA: White Rose Update July and August 2019 Edition; 2019 Annual Conference 13/09, Skelton near York; 75th Anniversary celebration; planning training events
- \* RSN: Mobile Rural Watch Scheme meeting 05/08; Rural Bulletin 06/08; 13/08; 20/08; Rural Funding Digest – August and September 2019 Edition
- \* E.ON Monthly Market Report July and August 2019
- \* Parish Online Newsletter
- \* Community Speed Watch: TWM traffic controls
- \* Earth Anchors Ltd: notice boards
- \* Northern Gas Networks newsletter
- \* CDC: Parishes Liaison meeting, 25 September, Skipton
- \* Clerks & Councils Direct, issue 125, September 2019

**595. Matters not included on this agenda, addressed as a matter of urgency.**

The Council had not **received** any matters not included on this agenda.

**596. Reports / comments on other matters for information only, or for inclusion on a future agenda.****596.a** to consider action regarding Friends of the Earth Climate Change Action

The Council had **received** correspondence from the Friends of the Earth regarding climate change action and to set up a Climate Action group in the community. The Council **agreed** to discuss this item further at the next Parish Council meeting.

**597. Date of the next parish meeting**

The Council **considered** the date and time of the next Parish Council meeting as Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.12 pm.

M. Hill  
Clerk to the Council