

LONG PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL
THURSDAY 9th January 2020
MINUTES

641. 15 Minutes for public participation session

Six parishioners sat in attendance. Mrs Metcalf raised concerns that the new street light at Back Lane is still not connected. The Council agreed to ask NYCC Highways and ENW for an update. Mrs Metcalf also raised concerns that Back Lane is flooded and vegetation debris is covering this narrow lane, including Prisoners' Walk, making it difficult for parishioners to get their refuse bin to the Main Street for collection. The Council agreed to ask NYCC Highways to investigate the cause of the flooding and to clear up the debris on Back Lane. The Council also agreed to ask the lengthsman to provide a programme of work to clear Prisoners' Walk, which the owner of the overgrown vegetation should then clear up or have cleared up on their expense. Mrs Metcalf asked if the Parish Council would consider a donation to the coffee and cake events for the elderly and the Council resolved to donate £50.

Mrs Attewell asked if the Council would consider taking the issue of dog fouling any further. The Council agreed to ask CDC Cllr Chris Moorby to address this issue at CDC.

Mr Palmer participated at item 648.g and Ms Scholes participated at item 649.a.

642. Present

Present: Cllrs Tyrer (Chairman), Inglis, Brierley, J. Morley and P.Morley. **Apologies** for absence: NYC Cllr Richard Welch. In **attendance:** CD Cllr Moorby and Marijke Hill (Parish Clerk & RFO).

643. Code of Conduct and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Councillors did not **declare** any disclosable pecuniary interests.

No requests were made for dispensations in connection with items on the Agenda.

644. Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings, held on 29th November and 5th December 2019

Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings, held on 29th November and 5th December 2019, should be approved and signed by Cllr Tyrer for the meeting on 29th November and by Cllr Inglis for the meeting on 5th December as a true and accurate record.

645. Matters arising from Minutes not otherwise included in the Agenda

There were no matters arising from Minutes.

646. 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** that talks with the CDC Planning Enforcement Officer regarding The Flashes are ongoing. Regarding the issue of dog fouling CD Cllr Chris Moorby explained that CDC has a shortage of staff and that this will be re-assessed. CD Cllr Chris Moorby agreed that he will consider a donation regarding the coffee and cake events for the elderly,
- b. NYC Cllr Welch had sent a written report that the planning application for the construction of 16 new dwellings at Green Gate Lane has been approved by members of the CDC Planning Committee.
- c. There was no report from the YDNPA.
- d. PCSO Jayne Grace had sent a written monthly police incidents report with 15 incidents between 2 December and 5 January, including 1 RTC on A65; 4 reports for concern for safety and welfare; 3 Highways reports; 3 incidents of crime fraud and suspicious circumstances; 1 civil dispute; 1 suspect vehicle incident; and 1 abandoned call.

647. Planning applications

647.a Received

The Council had not received any planning applications to consider.

647.b Decisions

- 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 **not yet decided**.
- 2 C/52/56D - full planning permission and amended plans for construction of 16 new dwellings (affordable), with associated access and hard and soft landscaping at Green Gate Lane **granted**
- 3 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 **appeal dismissed**
- 4 NYCC: 116795 Maypole Green Residential Parking Bay Order 2019 **not yet decided**
- 5 YDNPA: C/52/657C – full planning permission for conversion of barn to form dwelling, including change of use of former agricultural garage / storage area to provide bedroom 4 / games room with bathroom facilities (retrospective), Skirbeck **not yet decided**
- 6 CDC: 2019/21168/MMA – Minor material amendment to vary condition no. 2 (Approved Plans) of planning approval referenced 2018/19836/FUL granted 11 January 2019, Field No. 8107, Bend Gate Farm, Flat Lane **not yet decided**
- 7 YDNPA: reduction of two Leylandii and one Scots Pine by up to 2m, Field off Greengate Lane **given consent**

647.c Other Planning Matters

- 1 There were no Other Planning Matters reported.

648. Reports and decisions on various village matters

648.a street lighting matters: to confirm councillor's attendance and decision making on installation date of new pole on Church Street

The Council had **received** a reply from NYCC Highways that the new steel lamp post should be planted exactly where the Council had requested it. However, the installation team could come across underground obstacles that could hamper the exact desired location. The Council **decided** that one or two Councillors should be present on site, to ensure that the work can be carried out according to the wishes of the affected parishioners.

648.b trees matters: to note recommendation of no objection from YDNPA for removal of sycamore and to confirm replacement by mature lime tree for £105 + vat on the Maypole Green

The Council was **informed** that the YDNPA has issued a recommendation of no objection for the removal of the sycamore on the Green and also for the sycamore to be replaced by a mature lime tree. The Council **confirmed** its decision to accept the quotation from Tree Tops Forestry for the purchase and planting of this replacement lime tree of £105 + VAT. The Council **agreed** to put up a notice on the affected tree to inform parishioners.

648.c to consider further action regarding the telephone kiosk refurbishment

The Chairman, Cllr Tyrer **reported** that the grant from the Lottery should be received before the end of this financial year.

648.d Playing Fields matters

No new Playing Field matters were reported.

648.e to consider action regarding proposal for clearing Western Green and plant trees

The Council **decided** that the clearing of Western Green and subsequent possible planting of trees should be carried out after guidance and advice from the Tree Preservation Officer at the YDNPA. The Council **agreed** to invite the Officer for a site meeting soon.

848.f lengthsman services matters

There were no lengthsman services matters to report.

648.g:to consider action regarding village summer planting volunteer project

Mr Palmer informed the Council that some volunteers would like to help with the village summer planting project and an application for a grant has been submitted to CD Cllr Chris Moorby. The Council **decided** to review its Volunteer Policy prior to sending this to Mr Palmer who will assist in drawing up a cost estimate.

648.h to note reply regarding support for Voluntary Youth Provision

The Council **noted** the reply from North Yorkshire Youth that, once the vacancy is filled for the Craven area, interest within the community to support a volunteer led youth club can be further explored.

649 To receive reports and decide actions on village matters other than maintenance**649.a** to receive text for two border licences for Back Green Barn and Back Green Cottages

Ms Scholes reported further evidence of alleged disrespectful behaviour from their neighbours in relation to the border which has been verbally approved by the Council for planting. The Council was also **informed** that builders' vans are parked on The Green and that The Green itself was being damaged. The Council **decided** to write a letter to the owners of Back Green Cottages in which it will explain a number of actions it could take to stop infringements on any border and on The Green and also to provide a deadline from their surveyor to commence negotiations regarding the proposed Deed of Easement.

649.b to consider appointment of solicitor in connection with heads of terms from NGW regarding easement for gas connection to Back Green Cottages

The Council **noted** the reply from Northern Gas Networks regarding the possible connection to Back Green Cottages that the Council should appoint a solicitor who would be instructed to act on the Council's behalf. The Council **agreed** to provide such details in due course.

649.c to consider NALC Legal Topic Note 22, including Grievance and Disciplinary Policies

The Council **considered** NALC Legal Topic Note 22 and **decided** to approve the Grievance and Disciplinary Policies.

649.d to consider date for the Annual Parish Meeting as 2nd April 2020

The Council **considered** the date for the Annual Parish Meeting and **agreed** to hold this on 2nd April, subject to availability of the downstairs room in the Village Hall.

650. Financial matters**650.a** To receive Financial Statements and bank reconciliation to 28 December 2019

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

650.b To verify bank statements for 3rd quarter of Finance Year 2019-2020

Cllr Inglis **verified** the bank statements for the 3rd quarter of the Finance Year 2019-2020 and **reported** that no issues have been found.

650.c The Council approved and authorised payment of the following accounts:-

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| Vodafone direct debit wifi Village Hall December | £ 23.00 |
| E.ON (street light electricity November) | £ 89.94 |
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| M. Hill (clerk's salary and expenses December 2019) | £542.50 |
| Long Preston Village Hall (room hire) | £ 52.00 |

Received:

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| HSBC interest December | £ 2.81 |
| Parish Magazine advertisements | £705.00 |
| YDNPA (strimming of 4 PROWs) | £240.00 |

The Council **agreed** that there are ample funds in the current account available to cover payments of these accounts.

651. Reports on or notice of meetings of other bodies.

- * Yorkshire Dales National Park Management Plan Annual Forum - presentations from meeting
- * YDNPA: New Local Plan
- * NYCC: budget consultation to 13th January and Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee Meeting, Ripon, 13 January
- * YLCA: White Rose Update December; Home Office: Strengthening police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments; Spring Training Conference 28 March 2020
- * NALC Chief Executives bulletin: 10 December and Chairman's open letter to all member councils
- * RSN: Rural Bulletins 10/12; 07/01; Rural Funding Digest – January 2020 Edition
- * Parish Online News & Updates December
- * E.ON Monthly Market Report November and December 2019
- * Northern Gas Networks Update December 2019
- * Northern Powerhouse Conference EvoNorth2020, Manchester, 4th and 5th March 2020
- * Plantscape E-brochure

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

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

653. Reports / comments on other matters for information only, or for inclusion on a future agenda.

There were no further reports on other matters for information or for inclusion on a future agenda.

654. Date of the next parish meeting

The Council **considered** the date and time of the next Parish Council meeting as **Thursday 4th February 2020** at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50 pm.

M. Hill
Clerk to the Council