



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 4th May 2011

Present: C Beazley
J Heseltine
M Wilkinson
R Foster

Attending: Clerk
Clr Roberts
7 Electors

1 **APOLOGIES**
Apologies were received from R Appleton

2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST / PRIVATE BUSINESS**
None declared

3 **MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**
The minutes from April 2011 meeting were adjusted. A spelling mistake corrected and a date on item H was adjusted to read 30th March and not April. The minutes were then confirmed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by C Beazley and seconded by M Wilkinson

4 **MATTERS ARISING**

A **Dale House** – No updates were given for this item however it was decided that the item should be continued to be monitored.

B **Highways Issues** – The following list was confirmed as highway issues that are still outstanding;
Remedial Works needed to Victoria Bridge
Village white and yellow lines to be re painted
Saplings to be cut down in the beck
Pot holes are still present by Eller House / on the road up to school and bridge by the Kings Head
Damage to Dowber bridge
Holes in wall leading up to school

All of the above was agreed and it was resolved that the councillors are aware the highways department is short of funding, however the damage to Dowber bridge is important as this matter should be an insurance claim and the village lines need to be painted. Clerk to send list through to highways and to ask for an indication of when work can be completed.

C **Local Need Housing Kettlewell / YDNPA Development Framework** – It was advised that the 2 sites brought forward for local need housing are no longer being put forward. The chairman has contacted YDNPA to advise that another potential site could be available however the answer from them was no. Clr Roberts advised that he would speak with Peter Watson of YDNPA. M Wilkinson stressed that the National Parks need to make Kettlewell a priority for affordable housing otherwise

the village would be forgotten about for another 15 years. The biggest question that needs to be answered is why we cannot put another site forward. Clerk to ask Peter Watson is the 2 sites have been withdrawn officially and the Chairman is to respond and advise that it is unacceptable by The National Parks. J Heseltine asked if support from MP is needed. It was decided that if the response is not constructive we would ask the MP (Pickles) to intervene.

D **Street Lighting** – 3 lights are faulty in the village, 1 on hilltop in Starbotton and 2 in Kettlewell, 1 at Eller house and 1 on school hill.

It was resolved that the lighting provided at the Maypole lights the whole of The Green and therefore the light on Manningham House needs to be removed from the electricity. Proposed by J Heseltine, seconded by M Wilkinson, all in favour.

E **Planning Comments** –

Clr Roberts provided details of Scargill conditions. The chairman raised the issue of how would any walls be repaired that may be damaged by construction traffic travelling up to Scargill. The councillors discussed this issue and everybody agreed it would be a difficult condition to manage. It was resolved that the councillors would await a list of the conditions and then raise this matter. It was also confirmed that the Parish council had sent requests regarding the speed limits. Clr Roberts is to provide a list of conditions approved.

F **Library** – It was reported that the library matter will now go to executive on 14th June, the report will be available 7 days beforehand and a copy will be forwarded to us by Clr Roberts. It was also reported that there would hopefully be some positive proposals.

G **YDNPA – Footpath number 41** – There were no updates given for this matter.

5 **Crime Report**

None reported

6 **Correspondence**

A YLCA Notice of annual meeting

B White Rose Update

C Art on the move

D Event promotions

E Natural England – Lakes to Dales Landscape Designation project

F Email from Gaby Rose – Conservation plan – it was resolved that the department would book and pay for the village hall hire, and feedback forms took address of people completing them. Proposed dates were 2nd or 3rd Wednesday in June – Clerk to contact

7 **Planning Applications**

None received

8 **Accounts**

The following was reported by the Clerk:

A **Balance as at 21st April**

Community Account £100.00

Business Premium Account £5639.13 including precept payment of £2550.00

Liabilities

Clerk £100

Smith of Derby, service to church clock £238.80

Insurance £403.46 – The insurance quotation needs some adjusting as to metal / concrete poles. M Wilkinson to make a list and pass to Clerk

The Clerk has completed the audit and has had it confirmed by Clr Roberts, our internal auditor. It will now be passed to Mazars the external auditors for final confirmation.

J Heseltine wanted to record a vote of thanks to Clr Roberts

Proposed by J Heseltine

Seconded by R Foster

9 Report on National Park Authority meetings & Clr J Roberts

Clr Roberts reported all was quiet within Council at present. The planning committee meeting is scheduled for the following Tuesday with no applications from this parish. He reminded the councillors to be aware of elections next year when organising the precept amount, as elections will need to be paid for by the PC.

10 Urgent Business reported to the Chairman

- The Chairman raised the issue of a Scargill independently liaison-chaired committee to work between Scargill and The Parish Council. The question was asked if people thought it was worth progressing. There was a majority in favour of this proposal and in the first instance the Clerk is to contact Scargill and await their response. If it were positive we would then approach the parishioners.
- The Chairman raised the matter of the Parish Plans again and asked for thoughts on this matter. It was resolved that the Clerk would contact 2 gentlemen who advertise they could help with this free of charge. It was agreed to invite them to a meeting to present to the PC.
- It was reported that there was a large rock fall on the B6160, which smashed into the wire fence.
- It was reported that there is a large hole by the new ice cream kiosk and needs to be repaired correctly. Clerk to contact planning.
- It was also reported that the planning department had not confirmed the issue of the height of the wall as reported by the Clerk in April. Clr Roberts to chase planning on this matter and gain a response.
- It was reported that an ambulance that had been called recently travelled from Settle with only 1 driver. If the patient had been a heart attack victim then 2 drivers would have been needed and this was unacceptable. Clerk to contact S Marshall on this matter.

11 Matters Raised by the Public and update from last meetings matters

- It was raised that there are no 'Dalesway' signs in the village and the parish council should ask the YDNPA to provide some, as the walk is misleading for people following it – **Matter reported and await a response from Michael Briggs, Area ranger – The Clerk was advised that a new gentleman, Ian Mann now looked after this matter so she will contact again.**
- It was advised that the tourist 'brown' sign could not be supplied to the village shop as the village is a 30-mph area. Clerk to ask Highways on this matter – The Clerk read out a response from Highways and confirmed that a brown sign for the shop was not possible. The response to be passed back to the Village stores.
- It was reported that a vehicle working outside the kiosk had been parked on double yellow lines all week, Clerk to email Vanessa Bateson – The clerk read out response and confirmed that any offending vehicles should be reported on the non emergency police number.
- It was reported that the church clock is chiming at the wrong time and is too fast. Clerk to speak with Graham Walter regarding this before service charge is paid.
- It was reported that the white lines at the maypole should be half-and-half each side as this is not a roundabout.
- It was asked if it would be possible to place warning notices on vehicles that park on double yellow lines around the village. It was reported that the local bill comes into force soon and this

may enable the village to act on this. Clerk to check November minutes as PC Bateson may have already advised on this matter.

- It was asked for an overview of costs of the recent village party. The Clerk gave an overview of this but the chairman did confirm it was not a parish council matter.
- It was reported that the flowerbeds outside Holly Cottage had been made onto the highway. The councillors are to look at this and report back at the next meeting.
- The matter of youths using the playground was raised and asked if a sign could be placed there confirming the age restriction. Clerk to contact secretary of Playground committee to advise of this matter and liase with Mrs J Walters who raised the question.

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Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 1st June 2011

The Meeting Closed at 9.04pm