

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SHERBURN-IN-ELMET PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE HARRY MOUNTAIN ROOM AT EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE ON MONDAY
16th DECEMBER 2013 @ 7PM.**

Present: Councillors S. Haskell (Chairman), Mrs B. Thwaite (Vice Chairman), B. Packham, Mrs J. Prescott, P. Doherty, Mrs J. Brown, M. Gibson, C. Lake, M. Hobson, Mrs S. Hoyland (Project Officer) and Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

Also present: Two members of the public and District Councillor Jordan came later.

77. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Devers, Mrs N. Moerman, Mrs M. Hunt and PC Richardson.

78. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No councillors had interests to declare.

79. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday November 18th 2013 Councillor Pakcham reports that Minute No 60 should read that the NYCC budget was CUT by 94 million since 2011. Following this correction the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

80. POLICE MATTERS.

There were no Police issues.

81. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION.

Resident asked what was happening regarding the **Feasibility study for Kirkgate School** last time he attended a meeting it was discussed that £10k would be spent on this and he felt this was a waste of council money. Chairman assured him that this was being done by a Grant at no cost to this council. We were exploring every avenue to try and save this building but it would have to be fully self funding and that was what the study was for. Councillor Packham stated we should go to the end of the line to try and save this building and if we were not successful at least we have tried our best. Resident felt that grass cutting and dog fouling were a bigger issue for the village. When he last attended he had asked about **dog fouling signs** and been promised we would do this, they are still not in evidence. Chairman assured him we had got signs and they were being put out around the village by our contractor and Councillors when possible. Councillor Packham states we have a quarterly litter pick also around the village by volunteers.

Resident also asked why we have **a Road Sweeper twice a week in the village** surely manual cleaning would be better use of resources. Councillor Packham would check with Selby District Council and report back to next meeting.

82 NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES;

To Report and take comments on;

County Councillor reported;

Budget cuts meeting to be organised in the New Year to discuss what is happening with regard to our services, will report back to next Meeting.

Dropped kerby near to Boots Shop -NYCC have agreed to do this in the New Year. They will also remove kerbing around Plane Tree so if Community Association write to them they

will see about allowing planting around this tree.

Parking in Kirkgate revised plan for this area is to be submitted in the New Year which should help get some parking off Kirkgate.

Wolsey Croft/Moor Lane footpath this needs trimming back slightly can our contractor do this work? **Agreed Clerk ask him to do this.**

Footpath 12 Councillor Lake asked if the contract has been put in place to deal with Knotwood on this path as this need renewing this year- County Councillor would check.

83. CORRESPONDENCE

i) **To Receive letter from Alec Shelbrooke MP regarding HS2** -as he is not our MP he cannot discuss this with us, he has contacted our MP Nigel Adams asking him to keep us informed. We have had nothing from him yet.

ii) **To Receive letter from Church Fenton PC regarding HS2-** discussion regarding this were with the Action Group not the Parish Council. He has asked the Action group to contact us direct.

iii) **To Receive letter from YLCA with December training dates-** (copies been sent to all Councillors) no councillors able to attend.

iv) **To Receive letter from YLCA regarding S137 money for next financial year-** this will be £7.20 per elector from 1st April 2014.

v) **To Receive letter from Hungate School regarding Legionnaires checks-** Their Caretaker does theirs he was trained by NYCC he carries out checks once a month to make sure water acceptable temperature and if this is not correct calls a plumber. **Agreed this be passed to LAP committee to deal with.**

vi) **To Receive information from Parking Enforcement-** officers attend South Milford and Sherburn between once and twice per week patrolling at varying times and varying days. **Councillor Packham asked if anyone has specific areas where there are problems to contact him with details.**

vii) **To receive letter from SDC regarding Precept meeting-**they apologise they had our incorrect contact details, this has now been rectified. They are not proposing to hand over.the Govt. Funding to Parish Councils but this will be up for final decision in December. They have sent details of what our Precept requirements would mean - this was deferred to Finance section of meeting.

viii) **To receive report from Annual Tree Check** -Some of the trees have ivy on them which needs cutting back (Clerk has asked Mr Varley to do this) Tree 8 on London Road needs limb reducing which is growing into Tree 7. Trees 22 and and 36 (poplars) on Eversley Park have both got cavities and due to the size and weight could have fall potential-propose removal of these trees. **Agreed Clerks get quotes for this work and take it to next LAP meeting.**

ix) **To receive letter from YLCA regarding Future of Local Audit.** Draft legislation consultation-this has been sent to all Councillors and no comment was suggested.

x) **To receive request from Pinders Circus to attend Eversley Park on the 17th-20th April 2014** -they were coming in 2012 but had to cancel. **Resolved that subject to Rugby having no plans for park it was agreed they could attend at a rent of £400 plus the £650 bond cheque as the September Fair people do. Councillor Lake would check with Rugby and get back to Clerks as soon as possible.**

xi) **To Receive letter from NYCC regarding extinguishment of Bridleway between Garden Lane and New Lane, through Mytum and Selby's yard** - Resolved we had no problem with this.

84. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) PLANNING - No meeting held as no plans forward. Chairman went through minutes from last weeks meeting (copies of which all Councillors had received)

b) Transport/traffic committee- Councillor Doherty reports that the Proving Ground plan has been approved at Selby this week (5 for 4 against) He stated that some of the Planning committee felt the Planning Officer had jumped ship and was working for the Developers. Councillor Packham stated that he had made it clear that the Core Strategy, which had only been approved in October, approved 3-5 acres of industrial development for Sherburn this area was 3 1/2 times that size with no improvement to roads in the village. **Resolved we write to highways that we feel the developers have been let off checking on empty units, working on the false assumption that these would not be filled as Supercook site is now being revamped. Clerks to send copy to Planning Chairman for approval before sending.**

Planning Chairman also reported on Aero Club Liaison Meeting-They dealt with complaints from residents 4 from Sherburn and 138 from South Milford. most of which appear between June to August. They were making plans to extend the circuit which would, hopefully, help to alleviate this problem. The concerns we had regarding engine cut off has been cleared up as this is all part of the essential training of pilots, the engine is not shut down just revs cut right back. They will use other runways when possible, but certain wind conditions mean that this area may be used at some times.

Church Fenton will close down in 2014 and they hope this allow them to increase their cruising altitude. This is yet to be confirmed.

Night flying is carried out Tuesday to Thursday and always finishes by 8pm

Important dates for 2014

25th February - Next Community Liason Meeting.

5th-6th April - Air Race

26th May- Airshow

5- 8th July- possible increase in helicopter traffic in connection with the Tour de France cycle race.

17th August - Help for Heroes.

Planning Chairman asked for at least 2 other members for the Traffic/Transport Committee - Chairman and Councillor Gibson were elected to this committee.

b) COUNCIL

i) Project Officers Report –This had been forwardd to all Councillors. Project Officer reports that Snooker Wall work started today and should be finished tomorrow then surface will be installed possibly later in the week. Councillor Thwaite asked that we should possibly look at planting shrubs etc behind this - agreed this go to LAP for further discussion.

Resolved this report be approved.

ii) Report on YLCA Healthcheck - Copies of Handling Complaints Policy and also Disciplinary & Grievence Policy have been updated and sent out to all Councillors.

Resolved that these be adopted.

iii) Update on Sherburn Mile 2014 -No meeting been held, Chairman reports that Janie is leaving in the New Year but this will be taken on by her replacement. **Resolved Clerks write to Janie thanking her for all her help for this village during her tenure.**

iv) Report on CCTV at the Cross- still awaiting quotes

v) Report on Youth Forum -Nothing further on this.

vi) Report/Update on HS2 -Planning Chairman had sent out comments for Councillors approval, Mostly asking about storage/work sites while work in progress. Agreed we keep an

eye on the matter to see if they decide to go for Castleford option. **Resolved this letter be sent off.**

vii) To Consider delegated powers to Finance and Lap Committees- Chairman had asked for this to be considered to try and speed things up a bit. Much discussion took place but it was agreed that this was not acceptable as a "carte blanche" arrangement . **Resolved that this should remain as at present when certain decisions are delegated to Committees to deal with. Also resolved that LAP and Finance meetings should take place on the Monday and Wednesdays before the Parish Council meetings to try and cut times down a bit.**

viii) To Consider change of date for April meeting 2014 as 3rd Monday is Easter. Resolved that this should be held on Monday 28th April 2014.

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c) FINANCE

i) Update on S106 Monies for Primary School Places - NYCC and SDC still in discussion over this.

ii) To agree/approve Finance minutes from 27th November meeting (attached)

These were discussed and also update from SDC regarding our Precept cost to residents. The four options Selby had sent for our information were looked at and it **was resolved that Option 1 was what the Council wished to go for which was the same precept as last year £134,000.00. This would mean that residents paid £4.85 more as we would not get the Govt funding allocation this year. The Precept being agreed the rest of Finance minutes were accepted. Project Officer to check on Charity status if PC do take over Community Mini Bus also write to Mr Taylor asking him to check with his Committee/ present users to make sure they do not wish to run this. Clerks to also get prices for a new printer for the office, agreed a more robust machine was needed which would scan better quality.**

iii) To Discuss Floodlighting for the Church. -Councillor Gibson reports he works on quite a few Civic Pride projects and he felt the Church would look much better if it was floodlit as it shows a pride in the village if the building which meets your eye as you approach the village is lit up. Much discussion took place on whether this was something the Parish Council should be paying for. Agreed that Councillor Gibson approach the Vicar and see if he would like Church lit up and costings, maybe local business' could be approached to help with costs for this if Vicar does want this lit up. Councillor Lake suggested that they should fill in a Grant application form which could be looked at with others at the Year End.

vii) Cheques for Payment. Cheques totalling £2,386.73 were approved and signed by the Council. (See separate list)

d) LAND & PREMISES

i) Report from Village Centre Working Group - Councillor Brown reports that meeting been held with Drew Fussey and Chirs Metclaf from SDC and also Peter Murphy this week. Drew Fussey is going to sort out toilets and the Vuillage Centre Working Group are mneeting in January to finalise plans. At the meeting with Mr Fussey/Metcalf and Murphy it was asked if the Parish Council would be willing to put a goodwill commitment to this project by injection of some cash. They are already putting in for £5k from the 106 money and if they get this will get back to us in January with what sort of funding would be wanted.

ii) To Approve minutes of LAP meeting held on 25th November (attached) Resolved that these be approved.

e) PERSONNEL

No reports

85. OTHER REPORTS

- a) **Selby Rail Users** – Councillor Packham reports that there are still issues with South Milford station, cameras have been removed and damage being caused in this area now. Northern rail stop their contract in March and it is looking like this will become a public service from then..
- b) **Gala Committee** - Councillor Lake reports the switch on of the lights was last weekend and was succesful with good attendance. Councillor Mrs Thwaite asked that Gala is thanked for the lights a good show yet again..
- c) **C.A.B.** – Councillor Mrs Brown reports AGM last week which was poorly attended, they have got a 1/4 million grant which sounds a, lot but this is over 2 years for the whole area. Volunteers have gone down from 39 -27 people.
- d) **Community Association** – No meeting held.
- e) **Eversley Park Centre** – Committee asked if the Council would consider fencing off the area by the Main Hall Fire entrance as they are having great problems with youths and vandalism on this area. **Resolved this was not acceptable as this ia a Fire Entrance.**
- f) **Yorkshire Local Councils Association** – no report.
- g) **C.E.F.'s** – Councillor Mrs Prescott reports this was a good meeting, mostly discussing ture Power Generation and the Waste Burning Plant at Ferrybridge..
- h) **Rugby Club** – Councillor Lake reports the Rugby Club are very happy with the idea of an extension on the Eversley Park Centre. They had also received details from Sport England why their last submission had been declined they are liasing with Gary Limbert to put in the new application. Councillor Packham suggested that they contact High School and see if they could use their pitches and facilities as NYCC trying to get more usage of their areas. Also Councillor Lake to ask them where they envisage being in 5 years time and would they consider moving to new area altogether if the new development could provide proper pitch and facilities. Councillor Gibson thought we should put together a properly formulated plan of what we want for the village and all our areas so that when development comes along we have a plan already in place. Perhaps think about disposing of some of the smaller areas which would save some money and put funds into the bank. .
- i) **Angling Club** - Chairman reports that work ongoing on paths, he has been trying to get hold of Mr Jordan but without success, so had agreed this work himself as the offer would not always be there. Clerk to send him details of committee members so he could contact them..
- j) **White Rose Football Club** – No report..
- k) **Fairways area** – No report.

86. CLERKS REPORT/COUNCILLORS REQUESTS FOR MATTERS FOR NEXT

AGENDA- **Items for information only**

a) **Results of Traffic Survey**

Results from first deployment show that it did slow speeding traffic down by half. It will be interesting to see when final numbers are forward.

b) **Seats donated by Wincanton**

Chairman reports that these are wooden benches some like picnic table types 4 altogether. **Agreed that White Rose have the 2 picnic table types and the Peter Pan Nursery the other two.**

Items for next agenda:

