

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SHERBURN-IN-ELMET PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE HARRY MOUNTAIN ROOM AT EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE ON MONDAY
16th MARCH 2015 AT 7.00PM**

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

Also present 8 members of the public.

MEETING BUSINESS

105. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillor M. Jordan and Pc Richardson.

106. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

107. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 16th February 2015, Councillor Lake states that minute 101 b/v) should read footpath 12 not footpath 2, after this amendment the minutes were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

108. POLICE MATTERS

i) Speedwatch initiative.

This was proposed for this village, which involves volunteers pointing speeding guns at traffic.

Resolved that this council take up this offer

109. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

Resident asked as the **public toilets are being removed** what residents are supposed to do? Councillor Mrs Brown reports that toilets are available at the Bookies shop, the White Swan public house and also the Library. Councillor Packham reported that a survey was done and only 2 people used these in 3 days.

110. Pete Myers, Client and Stakeholder Manager at Northern rail and Jonathon Lund, Deputy Chief Executive at Selby District Council attended to discuss CCTV at South Milford Station.

Mr Lund reported that SDC had to cut back on their CCTV systems and decided that the one at South Milford was not really needed and removed their CCTV system and the Northern Rail one was accidentally removed at the same time as it was "piggybacked" on to the SDC post and transmitting system. Mr. Myers stated this was added when they installed a cycle rack at this station. SDC have still got this and it could be returned if Northern Rail wanted it. Mr. Myers stated that as this system was old it was not worth re-installing it. Northern Rail and SDC have checked with incidents reported at this area and there have only been 3 incidents of ASB and 2 thefts in 2013, and no reports since that. SDC would have difficulty convincing members that funding was needed for this area with those figures. Councillor Thwaite asked how much this would cost and it was reported that it would be at least £20k for a proper system with monitoring. At the present time the reported crime figures do not justify this expense. Councillor Packham asked if we need to contact Northern Rail and SDC if crime figures change. Councillor Mrs Thwaite reports that this area is really

"spooky at night" Mr Myers did report that the franchise is at present up for change and this will include safety for passengers at stations etc so some funding could come from that.

Resolved that we leave this at present and if crime increases we go back to Northern rail and SDC.

Councillor Packham reports that the Rail Users are looking at the Franchise and will be looking at safety in their meeting on Thursday.

111. Indigo Planning Presentation

Chairman reports that this company have given back word on their presentation (after the Agenda was posted) but have sent a letter for the Clerks to read out and would be attending next Months PC meeting to answer these queries. Copies of this letter and the map were handed out to the public for their information. The following questions were raised;

1. Where will the access be to this site if a roundabout off the bypass is proposed all of this site is on a bend and would be not good sightlines.
2. Confirm that only pedestrian/cycle access would be on to Hodgsons Lane.
3. Drainage. Moor Lane properties which back on to this site already flood when it rains since the development at the other side of Moor Lane.
4. If it is proposed for more traffic on Hodgsons Lane residents at 2 & 4 will be unable to egress their properties safely.
5. Resident of 2 & 4 also concerned about their boundaries and access.
6. Services in this village (Drs/schools etc) are already overstretched and the traffic lights could not cope with more traffic
7. Quantum of housing for this village already being exceeded with present approved sites. Additional development sires are not required.

Resolved that these questions be sent to Indigo Planning and then they can answer these queries at our April meeting.

Councillor Gibson reports that the Parish Council should check what CIL funding will be attached to this site and what that can be spent on. Councillor Packham reports that Athelstan School is to be improved as is Hungate School. The High School is alright for places at the present time. Councillor Thwaite asked why we need this housing as most of Moor Lane development was eventually sold to a Housing Trust as they could not sell the houses. Councillor Gibson states that this would have been at a loss to the developers.

112. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

To Report and take comments on.

County Councillor reports;

Civil Enforcement the reply received from this Enforcement agency does not satisfy our complaints and County Councillor will keep on their case.

Beech Grove County Councillor reported that the County Council will set up a working group to look at this problem. Councillor Thwaite will take photos as large numbers of helpers/aids need to be able to park at any time.

County Councillor is attending a Waste & Minerals meeting on 24th March will report if anything effects this village.

Also Cabinet Minister for schools is visiting High School this month so will report on that also.

113. CORRESPONDENCE

i) To Receive Insurance renewal from Zurich Insurance. Property and contents been increased by the appropriate 3%. This for payment at April meeting.

ii) To Receive letter from NYCC regarding Implementation of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006. This makes provision for amendment of registers to bring them up to

date so they are a reliable record of the extent of land and rights. Also rectify any mistakes and omissions. Clerk reports all our areas are recorded.

iii) To Receive leaflet from Rural Action Yorkshire regarding 52 (almost) painless things for your community can do. Councillors noted some of these

iv) To receive letter from Civil Parking Enforcement in reply to our letter stating we feel we should get more visits. They do not agree with our comments that Sherburn should get more visits than Tadcaster as they have 43 Enforceable locations while Sherburn only has 13. They will not be increasing the visits further. Councillors not happy with this response and will take photographs of infringements in future and note times and as previously reported County Councillor will stay on their case.

v) To Receive letter from resident of Copperfield Close about tree overhanging his garden. Clerk has been trying to trace if this is County or District. County Council state this is definitely not their tree, they think it is District Councils. Councillor Packham is chasing this with the District Council. The Clerk has contacted YLCA as the resident asked if we could give him permission to do this work. YLCA state definitely not, the resident will have to carry out a search with the Land Registry if he wants to work on this tree.

vi) To Receive letter from resident about speeding traffic in Wolsey Croft. When is something going to be done? Councillor Packham is meeting with this resident tomorrow regarding this problem.

vii) To Receive letter from website about Transparency Code for smaller councils. We have to publish all documents reports etc with agendas. Which we already do.

viii) To Receive letter from resident complaining about traffic speeding down Moor Lane. Councillor Packham is meeting with this resident tomorrow to deal with this.

ix) To Receive letter from resident complaining about parking by the shops at top of Wolsey Croft. A Police Van and two other vehicles double parked and nothing was said to any of the vehicles involved. Councillor Packham meeting with this resident also tomorrow.

x) To Receive letter from SDC with Parish Council Nomination forms. All Councillors present took a copy of these forms. They have to be returned to SDC before 4pm on the 9th April .

xi) To Receive letter from Councillor Brown reporting bollard damage at Methodist Church car park. Clerk has reported this to NYCC.

114. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) PLANNING

i) Report on Planning meeting - Councillor Doherty reported that meeting had dealt with 3 applications which will be sent out on separate minutes.

ii) Report from Transport/Traffic sub-committee - Nothing further to report on this

b) COUNCIL

i) Project Officers Report (previously sent) - Clerk reports quotation received for renewing park signs at £169.14 each **Resolved this be accepted.** Clerks to thank Mr Varley for organising helpers for opening/closing at Fairway. Councillor Packham states that he and Councillor Jordan had met with Mary Weastal from SDC and shown her the Japanese Knotweed area. Following these reports **Resolved that this report be accepted.**

ii) Report on YLCA Health Check - Clerk still waiting for updated Legal Topic Note.

iii) Report from sub-committee Community Action Plan. Councillor Packham reports a meeting has been held with Chairman and Councillors Prescott and Brown to discuss the "hub" agreed action is to identify potential users/business'/helpers etc..

iv) Update on NYCC Youth Services-Councillor Packham reports that 2 sessions per week will be running at the High School until summer holidays. They will be using the

holidays to find out from the youths where they want these sessions in future. Chairman read out from the Eversley Park minutes that they could not offer the usage of the centre as it is now quite well used on a Friday evening. Councillor Packham felt this was not right and that the Parish Council should be insisting on Community usage of this Centre. Councillor Packham also reports that the Visiting Scheme are interested in using the Eversley Park Centre one afternoon for a carpet bowls if this is available and that EPC hire this at cost to Community groups.

v) **Update on Problems with Japanese Knotweed** - This item on Project Officers report

vi) **To Discuss "The Hub" proposals**- Councillor Packham reports he has been to Selby to a scheme run for the Memory Safe Alzheimer groups a Memory Cafe it was thought this would be good idea for Sherburn and the Library quite keen to do this. Councillor Packham going to Barlby on Friday to their Library to see how that hub works.

vii) **To Discuss proposals from NYCC for switching off street lighting.**

Letter received from NYCC confirm that Church View will be exempt from switch off now they know it is sheltered housing.

viii) **Civil parking Enforcement** -dealt with earlier in minutes.

c) **FINANCE**

i) **No Finance Meeting held**

ii) **Update on Grass Cutting**-Councillor Packham reports that NYCC will pay us 10p per sq.m for safety grass cutting areas. They have agreed to give us a further year to sort this out and will bill us for grass cutting in the meantime. **Proposed we ask our contractors for a 1 year extension on our contract. Working group will get together and get a proper contract sorted out. Walk round has been done so group know what areas they are dealing with. Councillor Lake as Chairman of Finance asked to be involved in this meeting agreed he will be contacted for future meetings**

iii) **Update on Old School project** -Clerk reports we have received cheque for £69,546 grant for the further Feasibility study to be done. Councillor Lake asked why we are doing this as he thought Friends were responsible now. Clerk reports as we had got first grant we have to be responsible for this one as well. Chairman reports that he has signed off the paperwork with SimonTown for this work.

iii) **Cheques totalling £37048.23 (see separate list) were approved and signed by the Councillors. Cheque for 2nd part of design on Village Centre Project for £5580 was agreed as this is part of the £10k we promised for this work.**

d) **LAND & PREMISES**

i) **To Agree minutes of Land & Premises meeting held on Monday 9th March**- Councillors felt we should pay for the cleaning of the Tennis Courts and find out how much the Tennis could contribute to the Painting. **It was resolved that as owners of all these areas the Parish Council should pay for all the annual checks and Clerks keep a diary of when this work is needed every year. LAP Chairman also reports that White Rose need their septic tank emptied and serviced and this would cost £850 resolved that the Council would pay for this. Agreed that tree survey of Cricket Club tree (which they say is half ours) we ask Cricket to contribute half of this work. Following these decisions the LAP minutes were approved.**

e) **PERSONNEL/TRAINING**

There were no Personnel issues at present.

115. OTHER REPORTS

- a) **Selby Rail Users** – No meeting held. Next meeting this week
- b) **Gala Committee report**- Councillor Lake reports that there is some controversy over delivery of some stone for the entrance to the Park. This will be delivered and levelled at 8.30am on Saturday morning.
- c) **C.A.B** - No meeting held.
- d) **Community Association** -No meeting held
- e) **Eversley Park Centre** – Letter from EPC Chairman asking for meeting with Parish Council to discuss problems with car parking. **Resolved they send full details of their request or attend next months Parish Council meeting.**
- f) **Yorkshire Local Councils Association** – No meeting held.
- g) **C.E.F.'s** No report..
- h) **Rugby Club** – No report.
- i) **Angling Club** - Chairman reports that vandalism occurred at this site totalling approx £4500 he has asked Mr Jordan to get quotes for this work to be done as he feels it is not fair for Mr Jordan to do this work again, agreed we could then look at 106 money to get this work done. They have also requested a bin at this site. Clerk also had request a bin for the Laith Staid Lane end near to the seats. **Resolved that both these Barnsley Bins be ordered.**
- j) **White Rose Football Club** - no meeting held.
- m) **Community Mini Bus** - Project Officer reports that AGM been held and one new member joined this. Councillor Mrs Brown re-elected as Chairman.
- k) **Fairways area** - No report.
- l) **Aero Club Liaison Committee** - Report from meeting 19th February been sent to all Councillors. Councillor Doherty reports only himself and Chairman attended this meeting.
- n) **Village Centre Project** - Councillor Mrs Brown reports that toilets will be demolished on the 9th April. Clerk reports still no notification of the £100k funding. Councillor Packham reports that Suzanne Sweeting will confirm totals for 106 monies owing to this Council.

116. CLERKS REPORTS REQUEST FOR MATTERS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Items for information only

- i) **External Audit paperwork received this has to be completed and returned by the 30th June.**
- ii) **Letter from NYCC regarding change of use from Agricultural Land to Educational use at Milford Road for Athelstan School.**