

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SHERBURN-IN-ELMET PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE HARRY MOUNTAIN ROOM AT EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE ON MONDAY
DECEMBER 20th 2010 @ 7pm**

Present: Councillors Miss B. Wilson (Chairman), B. Packham (Vice Chairman), Mrs J. Brown, M. Hobson, N. Mossman, Mrs S. Mossman, H. Spence, Mrs S. Hoyland (Asst. Clerk/Project Officer) & Mrs M. Gibson (Clerk)

Also present: County Councillor M. Jordan.

85. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors C. Lake, Mrs D. Martin, N. Martin & PC Richardson.

86. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Councillor Mrs J. Brown declared an interest in Sherburn Visiting Scheme letter.

87. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday November 15th 2010 (previously circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

88. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

There were no public present.

89. POLICE ISSUES- to Report/Discuss.

a) Termination of Police Volunteer Co-ordinator-Reply to our letter from Inspector Abbott stating that Sgt. Matt Foale based at Tadcaster will continue to supervise the volunteers. There is no threat to the Sherburn volunteer scheme.

b) Pc Richardson will not be able to attend Parish Council meetings after this month unless specific issues require his attendance. Councillor Packham asked that we write to Insp. Abbott and ask what the PC input and coordination will be in the future. We have built up a good relationship with the Police with attendances at meetings and how will this be carried on. We stress we have no problems with PC Richardson. He does an excellent job for the community which we hope will continue for many years.

90. NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES. To Report/Discuss;

a) Reduction of Bus Services-meeting last week was fairly well attended and Parish Council and public put their points to Richard Owens. Mr Owens and County Councillor be taking up these points with NYCC when the meeting to finalise this takes place. Minutes of the meeting will be forwarded to all Councillors tomorrow.

b) Update on Waste PFI at Allerton Park-County Councillor reports that this has been approved by County Council and will now go to planning stage. Councillor Packham asked if Localism Bill was mentioned at this meeting County Councillor stated it was not.

c) Trees in Moor Lane –Persimmon have been served with a notice to do this work and if they do not then NYCC will plant and charge them for the work done.

d) Problems with vehicles parking on Beech Grove overnight-Complaints received from residents that people from the flats are parking in front of their houses and they cannot park their own vehicles. Police state that this is public highway and people can park anywhere on them. County Councillor has met with people from the flats to try and solve this problem still more to meet with. They say it saves them quarter of an hour by parking in Beech Grove. Beech Grove residents have asked for resident only parking signs but this could cause problems for users of the Doctors surgery.

e) Siting of seat near to Boots Chemist-Gala wished to do this, NYCC have replied to our letter stating that the area near to the rubbish bin where they wish to site this is not theirs, the only comment NYCC make about this siting is that access requirements for the Disability Discrimination Act needs to be considered. County Councillor reports that the tree on this car park which is lifting pavement os to be dealt with by NYCC.

f) Salt bin been stolen from top of Garden Lane –This has been reported to the Police. To replace this would cost £85 + £75 for two fills. **Resolved that we would not replace this bin or buy any others for the village.**

g) Lighting Footpath 13- County Councillor reports he is still awaiting prices for this. Agreed this should go to CEF's meeting as it is a Safety Issue. Councillor Mossman asked why a disabled ramp could not be installed at the Low Street end of this footpath-it is a Heritage site so cannot be altered. County Councillor would ask if it is possible to erect a ramp over the stones.

h) Revised Croftway No Waiting restrictions –County Council will be formerly consulting Parish Council when this goes to public advertising.

i) Lorry signs for Bypass –County Councillor reports that signs are now on order. Councillor Packham asked that we be consulted on the sites before these are erected.

91. CORRESPONDENCE

a) To Report letter regarding skate park and request for extension. This matter was fully discussed at LAP meeting and will therefore be included on their report.

b) To Report Section 137 allowed for 2011/12 is £6.44 per elector.

c) To Consider request for salt/bin in Eversley Garth Crescent. Already agreed we will not purchase further bins due to financial restraints. Clerk to write to resident and let them know this.

d) To Report letter from Sherburn Visiting Scheme regarding cookers at EPC-These cookers are now becoming unreliable and if PC agree to replace them the Visiting Scheme would be able to make a contribution towards these. **Resolved we write and ask what sort of contribution they could make.**

e) To Report thank you letter and approval for seat in memory of Squire Bradbury. Family think this seat is very appropriate antique looking, solid in structure and a few rustic screws. Thanks the Council for this kind remembrance.

92. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) PLANNING – One plan dealt with fence at 85 Low Street-object as too high and could cause blockage of site line on access from Showfield Close to Fairway.

b) To Consider subscribing to *The Journal of Local Planning* -Councillor Mrs Martin had put his on agenda but as not present at meeting agreed this be put on agenda for next meeting.

b) FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES.

i) To Report on PC/EPC Working Group- No meeting held next meeting January.

ii) To Report progress on Squire Bradbury Seat- Permission finally came through from SDC regarding siting of this seat. Also seat and inscription been approved by the family and has now been ordered.

iii) Report of Land & Premises Committee meeting 6th December 2010-copies attached to these minutes. The following matters were brought to Council for decisions/approval Councillor Packham reports that Adam Shave gave a very good presentation regarding skate park. Bedfords be asked to quote for further 5 year rolling contract for the grass cutting. Tarmac be asked to give full report on condition of lighting and a staged replacement for our street lighting and quote for further 5 year term. No further salt bins should be purchased but the nine we have be refilled again

cost of £75 each for two fillings. Tree maintenance work to be carried out by Mr Harrison for a further year (he is retiring after next year) and then this be reviewed. Awaiting prices from RoSPA for a 3 year term. Replacement of trees which require felling to be advertised in the Informer to see if anyone willing to donate one.

Resolved that all these matters be approved/progressed.

- iv) **To Decide rent for September 2011 fair. Also £150 paid for work done to repair park after this years visit. Resolved rent should stay the same at £400.**
- v) **To Report salt bin in East Bank being refilled.** As this does not meet criteria for bin we either paid the £75 +vat for filling or NYCC would remove this. Letter received today from NYCC they state that this is smaller than modern ones and suggest we get our own supplies (which will be cheaper) **Resolved that Clerk contact Mr Moxon regarding this being filled.**
- vi) **To Reconsider number of members on Personnel Committee** (following recommendation at Training day at Tadcaster) and to arrange first meeting of this Committee in January. Clerks had added this to agenda as at the training day it was stated that 3 was the normal number for these committees so the Clerks would not feel intimidated by 6 councillors. Much discussion took place and it was agreed that this should be left at 6 members. 3 to deal with day to day problems and 3 would act as appeals committee. No meeting was arranged.

c) RECREATION AND SPORTS.

- i) **To Report progress on Eversley Park Project-** Report on meeting with Peter Murphy 15th December- could not find area where soak away is for Rugby Club to deal with flooding. Councillor Mossman will mark on a plan and let Clerks have this so it can be sent to Mr. Murphy. Skate Park the edges have all been chamfered off and are now smooth, the drop is within the 1 metre allowed and has passed RoSPA check, grass will be reseeded in the spring and will hopefully then grow. The paths are now compact underneath and just need the top areas sweeping off to get rid of loose gravel. Dropped kerb was sited a couple of months ago. Mr. Murphy will get ball this work dealt with. Chairman also give him a copy of Adam Shave suggestions for skate park upgrade and he would contact contractors and get quotes for the suggested work. **Tree Planting** would now probably be early spring suggested these be planted where wildlife area is going to be or a buffer on the mound. Councillor Mossman would deal with this when new date arranged. Councillor Mossman asked if signs should be erected on Skate Park stating that protective gear should be work at all times, agreed this should be looked into. **To be put on next LAP agenda.**
Chairman reports that one of the silver birches has been snapped off. Councillor Spence asked when the rugby club are to put the dog sign which is laid down back up- Councillor Hobson will ask them to do this.
- ii) **To Consider a Junior Skate Park Advisory Committee** Councillor Devers had asked that this be put on agenda but he was not present at the meeting. **Resolved Clerks contact Adam Shave and get his ideas regarding this and be put on next agenda.**
- iii) **To Report/Consider Probation Service Work-** Clerk reports that work on footpath 12 will not be done until the Spring.
- iv) **To Report progress on Rugby Club lease-**Asst. Clerk reports that this has been sent to Solicitors
- v) **To Report on Finkle Hill Play area-**Lottery application has been sent off. Waiting reply from SDC about Section106 application for the funding towards this area.
- vi) **To Consider siting of new seat which has been offered to the Council-** Councillor Packham states that Councillor Mrs Martin was looking into a site for this seat.

Councillor Mrs Mossman suggested it should be sited near to the skate park area.
Councillor Packham will contact donor and ask if this acceptable.

- vii) **To Report Record have been today and checked Carousel on EP play area, it had the wrong bearing in and has now been rectified at no charge to the Council.**

93. OTHER REPORTS- for information only.

a) **Selby Rail Users** –No report.

b) **Gala Committee**-No meeting held.

c) **C.A.B.** –Councillor Mrs Brown reports AGM was 9th December and 2 new trustees were appointed,

d) **Community Association** –Chairman reported that next issue of Informer will be going out in February, any information needed by mid January for this issue. Footpath 13 was mentioned at their meeting and it was suggested that they could apply to CEF's and also Community Safety Partnership for grants for these lights and that the PC contribution could be the maintenance of the lights. **Resolved that this offer be accepted. County Councillor will get quotes to them before the next meeting.**

e) **Eversley Park Centre** –Cookers are now not working properly and need replacement it was thought this would be £500-£600. **Resolved that Clerk ask them to get two quotes for these and agreed Clerk could use her delegated powers to approve this before next PC meeting.**

f) **Yorkshire Local Councils Association** –full list of dates for 2011 now to hand. These are Wednesday 16th March, Wednesday 15th June and Wednesday 16th November 2011.

g) **Youth Drop in**-Councillor Mrs Mossman reports they closed last week until after New Year.

h) **Elmet Forum**- Meeting 29th November was cancelled due to bad weather now been re-scheduled for January 12th 2011.

i) **C.E.F.s**- date of next meeting to be notified to all Councillors when available.

94. CLERKS REPORT- FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

a) Letter from NYCC stating that we have to pay before they will fill up our bins this would cost £75 each for 2 fillings. 9 bins would cost £675 + VAT. Agreed this should be done especially as more bad weather expected.

b) Clerk asked if all Councillors agreed with suggested 3 year programme for hedge/tree cutting at Finkle hill this had been sent out to all Councillors to see. **Resolved Clerk write and get 3 quotes for this work.**

c) Letter from northern Rail in reply to our request regarding improved time tables. They point out that the changes from next May are to fit in with the new East Coast mainline changes. They state there will be negligible changes to the Leeds services from Selby. And Sherburn will gain a peak return under the current proposals. **Resolved that Councillor Packham scan this letter and send out to all Councillors.**

95. FINANCE

Cheques totalling £4033.91 (See separate list) were approved and signed by the Councillors.