

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SHERBURN-IN-ELMET PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE HARRY MOUNTAIN ROOM AT EVERSLEY PARK CENTRE ON MONDAY
21ST NOVEMBER, 2011 AT 7pm.**

Present: Councillors B. Packham (Chairman), Mrs B. Thwaite (Vice Chairman), K. Devers, Mrs J. Brown, C. Lake, S. Haskell, Mrs M. Hunt, M. Hobson, Mrs S. Mossman, A. Parmenter and R. Ransome.

Also present: 14 members of the public and Pc Richardson.

76. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor H. Spence. Councillor Hobson and County Councillor Jordan were at Selby meeting and attended at 8pm.

77. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Councillor Mrs Mossman declared an interest in Rugby Club quotes.

78. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday October 17th 2011 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

79. PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

Members of the public all here about SADPD so agreed they could have their say when this item was discussed.

80. POLICE ISSUES Receive/Discuss.

a) Van theft-what counter measures are being taken- Pc Richardson reports that van theft is being given priority at the moment. Figures last year were 2 this year up to now there has been 11 incidents.

b) Current levels of anti-social behaviour and crime- Chairman had put this on agenda following letter in correspondence regarding trick a treat and Halloween. It was agreed posters would be made widely available next year for any householders wanting these. There were no real anti-social behaviour problems at the present time.

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

County Councillor Reports:

Street Lights-now all appear to be working. Larger fuses been installed.

Library shorter hours-it is proposed to cut these to 30 from 39. **Agreed that we write and state we object to these reduced hours and will not concede any suggestions for library reduced hours.**

Sir Johns Lane- This is not NYCC there is a new gas line being installed should be closed only 2 more weeks.

82. CORRESPONDENCE

i) To Receive complaint from resident in Copperfield Close regarding disturbance by youngsters. Request PC look at "opt out" scheme for Halloween etc.-Pc Richardson had contacted lady direct- see note above about posters for next year.

ii) To Receive request from Rugby Club for a sensor light outside the club in place of present lights it is very dark when this light is switched off and if they leave it on they get complaints-Councillors felt that a sensor light would be a nuisance. **Resolved Clerk write and suggest a timer switch for this light.**

iii) **To Receive quotation for work at Rugby Club roof and broken window-**agreed this be dealt with in Part 2 meeting.

iv) **To Receive letter from NYCC with amended waiting restrictions for Garden Lane following previous objections-**Clerk reports they are not now going all way down Garden Lane just to wards Nursery. We have no further comment on this.

v) **To Receive /consider request for *Pinders All Human Production Circus* for 3 days in May/June next year-** Councillor Devers had asked for References which would be checked when they come in. Councillor Haskell would check when Rugby playing. Subject to these it was agreed we should allow this to go ahead. Bond forms to be sent when date finalised.

83. PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) PLANNING – Planning meeting held at 6.30pm in PC office.

2011/1054/HPA- Erect of single storey extension to rear of 3 Rose Avenue for Mrs M.Mullikin-No objections STN.

2011/1046/FUL- Proposals to make two existing units onto one and also 9 additional dock levellers and and 9 additional trailer spaces at 1 Hurricane Way South for Evander Properties-

2011/1058/FUL-Erect of extension to industrial building and erect of temporary storage facility at Kingspan Insulation, Enterprise Way –No objections STN,

2011/1007/FUL- Retrospective application for 6 floodlighting columns and 12 floodlights to existing football pitch to provide evening trainings and matches at White Rose Football Club Finkle Hill-No objections.

CW/JW/12605/L0013cw- Land off Carousel Walk, outline application for residential development for Development Planning Partnership.- Councillors not happy with this. All took return forms to send back their comments.

2011/0853/HPA-Extension to rear of and above existing double garage at 29 Croftway for Mr T. Donegan- **GRANTED.**

2011/0894/FUL-Proposed over spill car park for adjacent vehicle manufacturing plant on land at 3 Hurricane Way South for Opare Ltd-**GRANTED.**

2011/0933/HPA-Application for 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension and brick skin to existing airey house at 114 Springfield Road for Mr D. Godbold-**GRANTED.**

ii) **Response to Site allocations DPD (preferred options).** Chairman reports that on Friday he received further notes from SDC stating that the allocation for Sherburn was now 718 houses, as Tadcaster land is on flood plain and not available. Council was disgusted that the “goal posts” keep being changed on the number of houses we are being allocated. Public meeting now redundant with the new figures. Every time they sneak in new figures just before our comments are required.

Public felt that we must challenge the Tadcaster comment, Sherburn cannot keep “rolling over” for Tadcaster to be let off the hook. Councillors agree wholeheartedly.

Has a proper traffic survey been done? Resident had copy of survey which had been done which states this development would be marginally over capacity for Traffic lights, this was considered an understatement.

Chairman reported responses from survey forms sent out (32 received) 10% agreed with suggested sitings, 52% thought Low Street should take all the development, 19% development should be spread around, and 23% felt no housing at all.

Facilities which were thought needed were: Indoor Leisure Centre, Health Centre (with Drs and Dentists etc) Swimming Pool, Schools, more Police, Improvements to Railway station, more car parking and better public transport.

Chairman felt the best way to challenge this development was on Highway Issues. Insist that a link road to Bypass is built before any further development takes place, also better public transport. We should also challenge the Tadcaster issue, they have land available and much better road and public transport links. Further public consultation should take place. Council should get their own Highway survey carried out (resident may be able to get someone to do this for us). We should also contact Police about more Policing for the village if it is to grow so much.

Chairman suggested that a small group be set up to move this matter on 12 members of the public signed up to be involved with this further and Chairman and Councillor Devers would liaise with them direct. Would Parish Council funds be available to progress this? –Councillors felt this could be looked at.

iii) Consider Response to Boundary Commission on changes-Chairman gave a presentation in which he outlined the reasons for Sherburn going in with Castleford and Selby rather than Ainsty as at present. He felt that Sherburn had no real connection with Harrogate villages and up to 1974 Sherburn was in the West Riding anyway. He felt this village had more in common with the industrial West Riding than rural North Yorkshire. We would also have 3 MPs which could only be an improvement. Councillor Parmenter then put the proposal for staying as we are at present he felt 3 MPs could be not helpful and he was not sure our ties with the West Riding were that strong. We should stay as we are and see what happens at next election. Councillors asked what was best for Sherburn would we get listened to more in Castleford? Proposal was put that we stay as we are-this was defeated 3 for 6 against. The proposal to move into Castleford was put and passed 6 votes for 3 against. **Resolved we write and state we back the suggestion for Sherburn to join with Castleford/Selby.**

b) FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES.

- 1) **Report from Land & Premises Committee-**LAP Chairman presented minutes (circulated before meeting) **The following matters were Resolved: Fun Run for Sport Relief on 25th March 2012 to go ahead. Finkle Hill Bowls footpath Contractor agrees this would be a permanent solution so work agreed. Ask Zurich about Hirers liability insurance at a cost of £100.**
- 2) **Report from Village Centre working group-** Councillor Mrs Brown reported they had a good response to the questionnaires –toilets in the village were very unpopular. The group are working with High School Art Department about art/sculpture in the village. Boots old shop lease runs out in February so no further action at present on that.
- 3) **Report from Finance Committee meeting-**Finance Chairman presented minutes (circulated before meeting) **The following matters were Resolved: £2000 be vired from Reserve Contingency fund for Parish Administration and also £2000 for grass cutting. Next meeting was changed from the 7th December to the 14th December.**
- 4) **Report on request for rail on steps by Spar-** Chairman reports this is still ongoing.
- 5) **Report on Website/suggested Facebook/Twitter/Blog-** website working group would look at this and report back to next meeting.
- 6) **To Consider Memorial for Councillor Miss Wilson-** deferred for further consideration.
- 7) **Report on Flower tubs by Notice Board (Swifts).** –Owners agree to these tubs Provided they are not held responsible for any *tripping* etc. **Resolved we would provide tubs and Community Association would plant them.**
- 8) **Presentation by Councillor Ransome on area by Library-**Councillor Ransome was unable to proceed with this. Councillor Mrs Brown states the Village Centre Working Group are interested in taking this over and already have plans in mind, these would be submitted to the Council at the next meeting.

- 9) **To Consider NYCC suggestion regarding trees on highways**-Councillors not very impressed with this proposal, just chop down anything rather than spend money on it. Clerk to find out how many trees we are talking about and what condition are they in?
- 10) **To Consider repairs to seat by Police station Finkle Hill**- Clerk reports Mr Varley getting quote for metal slats to repair this. Agreed this go to next LAP meeting.
- 11) **To Discuss filling salt bins. Which need filling?**-Councillor Haskell will go around and check which need refilling and let the Clerk know.
- 12) **To Discuss additional changes to Library opening hours**-Dealt with above in North Yorkshire Issues.

c) RECREATION & SPORTS.

- 1) **To Report progress on Eversley Park Skatepark area**- Councillor Devers reports he is still awaiting reply from Mickfield PC. Councillor reported that this area has had very good reports.
- 2) **To Report progress regarding swimming pool at High School** –Chairman reports that a meeting was held last week. Very positive response, high School are very interested in opening this up for public use. Mr Limbert is doing a feasibility study, Chairman is talking to Wigan Leisure at Selby, and County Councillor Jordan is talking to the Cabinet @ Selby Council. Chairman is optimistic of a good outlook for this proposal, but it may cost the Parish Council some money, either out of our funds or Section 107 funds.
- 3) **To Report on Sherburn Youth Forum**- Councillor S. Mossman reports she has heard nothing further on this, will let Council know when she has anything to report.
- 4) **To Report on litter picking by Probation Services**-Following areas were suggested for clearing: Moor Lane, ginnel to High School. Councillor Hunt asked if more doggy signs could be put up. Also agreed that Clerk find out if any more signs available to put on Barnsley Bins stating that *Dog litter can be put in these*.
- 5) **To Report on work to be done on Play Areas following RoSPA check**-Clerk reports there are 5/6 items which need some work following this report. **Resolved that she go ahead and get this work done asap. This to be discussed at next LAP meeting.**
- 6) **To Report we are now responsible for upkeep of wildflower area on Eversley Park**-**Resolved Clerk ask Mr Varley to deal with this at the appropriate time.**
- 7) **To Consider offer of free trees from Woodland Trust for Jubilee celebrations**-Clerk reports that the above are giving 105 or 420 free trees if we want these. **Resolved we leave this we have no where to put them at the present time.**
- 8) **Olympic Torch Route- why does it go around Sherburn?**-Chairman reports that the torch will go through Hambleton, Monk Fryston, Barkston Ash and Tadcaster but actually go around the bypass missing South Milford and Sherburn completely. **Resolved Clerks write to Drew Fussey, Torch Route Co-ordinator at SDC stressing we want this through our villages we have 3 schools and over 9000 residents and feel this should go through the village.**
- 9) **To Consider Fairways –security of play areas and all weather pitch**-Chairman reports we are having problems unlocking and opening this area. Clerks report we have had a lady offer to do this. Their next meeting 6th December they will arrange to contact this lady and arrange keys etc.
- 10) **To Discuss Cricket Club development proposals**-Parish Council have been approached by Cricket Club-Chairman reports that he and Vice Chairman have met with Cricket Club (at their request) about proposals for improvements of their area. They have been invited to make a presentation at the next LAP meeting and their report/recommendations will be made at next PC meeting.

84. OTHER REPORTS- for information only.

- a) **Selby Rail Users** –No report.
- b) **Gala Committee**-Councillor Lake reports they have sorted out Christmas lights and they go again this weekend. They had an excellent Halloween Party night, well attended.
- c) **C.A.B.-** Councillor Mrs Brown reports that they are having difficulties financially, are meeting with SDC to try and get some funding from them. They will be writing to Parish Council for funding but if they do not get any from SDC it is feared Selby office will be closed down.
- d) **Community Association** – Councillor Lake reports they had good *litter pick* last week, with excellent bacon butties for workers after. Bacon kindly donated by Starkeys and the buns by Crusties. They desperately need a new Secretary.
- e) **Eversley Park Centre** –To consider request for internet access, Councillor Mrs Thwaite reports that CAB and also Line Dancing and U3A and Youth have asked about this-it was agreed that as long as they provide the necessary wireless router it should not be a problem. Councillor Mrs Thwaite knows someone who can do this for them. **Resolved that Parish Council would cover cost of room for Help for Heroes event.** Councillor Mrs Thwaite also reports that more lead has been stolen off roof at Centre. The CCTV needs attention and someone needs to be trained to check on this. **Resolved that Clerks get Oliver to come in and repair this system and also train both Clerks how to check on the system. Councillor Thwaite reports that Police suggest security lights on 24/7 but Councillors thought this would be obtrusive for neighbours.**
- f) **Yorkshire Local Councils Association** –Councillor Mrs Brown reports that at meeting last week there were only 9 people, meetings will not be held in Sherburn again, too far out for some people. Subscriptions will be going up by 3% next year, electronic planning still likely to go ahead, and also Travellers sites were discussed.
- g) **Youth Drop in** –Councillor Mrs Mossman reports all fine at the moment.
- h) **Elmet Forum**- Chairman reports that this could come off agenda until further meetings called.
- i) **C.E.F.s-** Next meeting 29th November at Eversley Park Centre at 6pm. Dates forward until November 2013 were: 7th February, 17th April, 26th June, 4th September, 13th November 2012. 22nd January, 2nd April, 11th June, 27th August, 5th November 2013.

85. CLERKS REPORT/COUNCILLORS MATTERS FOR NEXT AGENDA- FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

- a) **Selby Carers Bus**-Clerk reports they will be parking this bus on Eversley Park Centre car park on Tuesday 29th November 9.30am-12.30pm. Councillors have been previously notified of this.
- b) **Proposed housing development off Carousel Walk**-forms for reply handed out to all Councillors-all Councillors object to this. This had been fully discussed in Planning session Clerks will also write objections letter.
- c) **SDC Chairman Charity Appeal**-This years charities are: Age UK and Selby Young Carers. This to be left on table.
- d) **Letter from Resident regarding land at Pinfold Way**-as this came too late for this months agenda, agreed this should be added to next months agenda.

86. FINANCE Cheques totalling £6997.83 (See separate list) were approved and signed by the Councillors.