

Austwick Parish Council

Minutes of business conducted by Austwick Parish Council under authority delegated to the Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer, in consultation with the Chairman, Cllr Goold, noted as approved by Parish Councillors by 19th January 2021.

Period 7: 8th December 2020 to 18th January 2021

7.1 Cancellation of meeting

The Council **noted** that the Parish Council meeting, scheduled for 18th January 2021 has been cancelled under the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

7.2 To confirm the Minutes of Period 6 of conducted business to 7th December 2020

7.3 To note the North Yorkshire Police incidents report

The Council **noted** that it has asked an incident report from NYP for the period from 8th December 2020 to 18th January 2021, in order to keep the police incidents report up to date and 3 incidents were reported.

7.4 Planning

a. To note planning applications received and actions taken

The Council **noted** that no planning applications have been received.

b. To note planning decisions

1. C/04/609B full planning permission for the proposed continuation of the winning and working of mineral until 31 December 2034, with a lateral and deepening extension of the extraction area down to 127 metres above Ordnance Datum within the existing site and revised restoration proposals to be completed by 31 December 2035, Dry Rigg Quarry, Helwith Bridge, Horton-in-Ribblesdale. **Not yet decided.**
2. C/04/78D full planning permission for conversion of barn to form local occupancy dwelling or holiday let and installation of package treatment plant at Sandford Barn, Wharfe, Austwick. **Not yet decided.**
3. C/04/148M amended plans to full planning permission for erection of 8 dwellings and creation of new vehicular access to site at Land off Pant Lane, Austwick. **Not yet decided.**
4. C/04/698 full planning permission for siting of five shepherds huts for holiday let accommodation; creation of limestone hardcore track and parking bays, and installation of package treatment plant, Crummack Farm, Austwick. **Not yet decided.**
5. C/04/139B householder planning permission for demolition of existing garage and erection of extensions to north and west elevations to provide additional living accommodation, Well Spring Cottage, Austwick. **Approved conditionally.**
6. C/04/64G full planning permission for conversion of barn to single dwelling with local occupancy/holiday let restriction, Lawson Barn, Austwick Road, Wharfe. **Not yet decided.**
7. C/04/84D householder planning permission for erection of garden studio/store, Victoria Lodge, Townhead Lane, Austwick. **Approved conditionally.**
8. C/04/15A householder planning permission for addition of single storey side extension and two storey rear extension, Lanshaw Lodge, Austwick. **Approved conditionally.**
9. C/04/683D and 683E householder planning permission and Listed Building consent for replacement of oil fired boiler within converted barn with an exterior Air Source Heat Pump, Stockdale Cottage, Feizor. **Approved conditionally.**
10. C/44/101G application for the variation under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) of conditions 1,2,3,4 and 5 of permission reference C/44/101F for mineral extraction: Condition 1 to enable the continued import of mineral by HGV from Dry Rigg Quarry to Arcow Quarry railhead for its temporary stocking and export by rail until not later than 31 December 2034; Condition 2 to enable the railhead and adjoining land to be restored not later than 31 December 2035; Condition 3 to refer to this Section 73 application

submission documents; Condition 4 to remove the 'Prior to the resumption of mineral extraction...' restriction and refer to the proposed revised restoration scheme; Condition 5 to remove the 'Prior to the resumption of mineral extraction...' restriction and require stockpiling to be carried out in accordance with the currently approved scheme, Arcow Quarry, Helwith Bridge, Horton-in-Ribblesdale. ***Not yet decided.***

11. C/04/700 householder planning permission for erection of two storey rear extension, Prospect House, Pant Lane, Austwick and:
C/04/700 amended householder planning permission for erection of single storey rear extension and erection of railings to front boundary upon replacement stone wall, Prospect House, Pant Lane, Austwick. ***Approved conditionally.***

The Council **noted** that the YDNPA Planning Department had not notified the Council of any planning decisions taken in November and December. These were known to the Council only from information shown on the new 'planning portal' website. The Council **decided** to take this matter up with the planning department and ask for clarification and how the Planning Authority plan to notify the Council in future.

- c. To note additional and other planning matters

7.5 To note reports and actions on parish and parish council matters other than maintenance

- a. To receive an update regarding the ordering of a new battery for the defibrillator in Austwick
The Council **noted** that the First Responder for the Austwick defibrillator reported that a new battery is required and that, subsequently, the Council has ordered a new battery with Wel Medical for a cost of £203.94, inclusive of recoverable VAT. The new battery has now been installed.

7.6 To note reports and actions regarding parish maintenance matters

- a. grass verge damage at Low Street
The Council had **received** correspondence from the owners of Sunny Dene that they were of the opinion that the tarmacked area in front of their garden wall and the grass verge there were their responsibility and that they intended to do remedial work to the verge once the building work is complete. The Council had **replied**, by way of explanation, that its lengthsman attends the maintenance of grassed areas and village greens, children's play area and verges in the parish on behalf of the Parish Council, the County Council, other organisations in the community, private individuals and on 'common land' with a view to keeping the parish tidy and attractive for residents and visitors. However, practically all householders in the parish take pride in keeping their own road frontages and boundaries in good order, relieving the parish lengthsman of the work.
- b. removal of 'give way/50 yds' road sign at junction of Clapham Road/A65
The Council had first requested that this damaged road sign be removed in April 2019 and repeated the request in December 2019. The Council **noted** that the sign has now been removed.
- c. other issues relating to NYCC Highways
No other issues have been reported.
- d. outstanding YDNPA maintenance issues
The Council **noted** that the Ranger team have now removed the overgrowth and saplings on Wood Lane and on the entire length of White Stone Lane from Wharfe to the Washdub. The Area Ranger has confirmed to Cllr Goold that a remedial 'aggregate surface' will be applied to the cleared section of Wood Lane when a volunteer workgroup becomes available. The Council also **noted** that the requested new fingerposts on the Pennine Bridleway at Wood Lane and near Swarth Moor, Helwith Bridge have now been installed.

- e. other issues relating to YDNPA
No other issues have been reported.
- f. Graystonber Lane conservation verge
The Council **noted** that the 14 additional protective posts, supplied to us without charge by NYCC, have been delivered to Beck House and will be installed between the existing posts on the verge when weather conditions permit. The Council also **noted** that Mr Cleverly has now spent over £80 on seeds and plug plants for the verge and that the balance of the compensation fund with Mr and Mrs Cleverly, established in January 2018, has thereby been extinguished.
- g. lengthsman duties or parish maintenance matters
No other lengthsman duties or parish maintenance matters were reported.

7.7 Finance

- a. The Council **noted** the total balance of the HSBC current account bank on 31st December 2020 as £13,162.61 comprising £12,743.31 parish council monies and £419.30 AED funds. The Council **noted** the Statement of AED funds as at 18th January 2021.
- b. The Council **approved** payment of £30.00 to Charlotte Wilkinson for 6 weeks of bus shelter cleaning.
- c. The Council **approved** payment of £203.94 to Wel Medical for the purchase of a replacement of the battery for the Austwick defibrillator.
- d. The Council **approved** payment of £162.00 to J.D. Mounsey for the electrical connection to the defibrillator cabinet at Feizor.
- e. The Council **approved** payment of £86.02 to Craven District Council for four boxes of dog waste bags.
- f. The Council **approved** payment to Craven Garden Care of £300.60 for maintenance on outlying areas for December.
- g. The Council **noted** the Lengthsman Services Report – comparison of budget versus actual costs to 31 December 2020.
- h. The Council **approved** payment of £240.00 per month to the clerk as salary for December 2020 and January 2021 as well as £54.70 as expenses for the 3rd quarter of the finance year – October to December 2020
- i. The Council **noted** receipt of £2.30 from Electricity North West as annual wayleave payments.
- j. The Council **verified** the bank reconciliation for the 3rd quarter of the finance year to 31st December 2020.
- k. The Council **noted** that there were no other financial issues to report.

7.8 To receive and respond to correspondence

The Council **noted** that correspondence has been received from Mrs Huck of Sowerthwaite Farm to request the Council to contact NYCC Highways to replenish the salt heaps on Town Head Lane and on Crummack Lane in order for farmers to continue their business on these icy lanes. The Council has contacted the Highways Department and Mrs Huck has also contacted NYCC direct.

7.9 To receive and respond to items of information

- a. The Council **noted** the Yorkshire Dales National Park Management Plan Annual Forum 2021 on 20th January (remote meeting by 'zoom').
- b. The Council **noted** the Yorkshire Dales National Park Local Plan 2023-2040 consultation no. 3 – exploring our options: building new homes. The closing date for responses is 26th February 2021.
- c. The Council **noted** the White Rose Update of 18 December 2020 and 8 January 2021 by YLCA as well as the Climate Emergency Friends of Earth webinar training session on 15th December.

- d. The Council **noted** the Skipton and Ripon ACC Meeting on 7th January 2021.
- e. The Council **noted** the CDC Citizens On Line project.
- f. The Council **noted** the budget consultation for NYCC to 11th January and for the PFCC to 13th January.

7.10 To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting

- a. The Council **confirmed** the date of the next Parish Council meeting as Monday 1st March 2021 to be held depending on prevailing Government regulations at the time.

Marijke Hill
Clerk to the Council