

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GIGGLESWICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE
11th February 2020

15 Minutes for public participation session

Mr Mudd and Ms Walker attended public participation session to raise concerns regarding the recent flooding of Tems Beck. Ms Walker asked the Council if it would consider permitting to have installed a half-pipe to channel the water in the Beck to the back of the Tems Street properties into the Glebe Field and the Fellings. Also, Ms Walker asked if the Council would consider to investigate how to access funding for such measures for people who want to make their homes flood resistant. Ms Walker thanked Cllr Bradley for his assistance to dig a temporary channel to stop further flooding.

The Council agreed to discuss this item further at the next Parish Council meeting.

381. Present

Cllrs Perrings (Chairman), Jones, Airey, Bradley, Coleman, Ewin-Newhouse, Greenhalgh and Williamson and with the Clerk in attendance. **Apologies** for absence have been received from Cllr Davidson.

382. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

Cllr Jones declared Disclosable Interest in relation to item 387.9 proposed skateboard park at former Settle Middle School site.

383. Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th January 2020

The Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th January 2020 should be confirmed and **signed** by the Chairman of that meeting, Cllr Jones, as a true and accurate record.

384. Reports from District and County Councillor and the Police

County Cllr Richard Welch reported that the NYCC precept is proposed an increase of 2.99% and a further increase of 2% for care for the elderly.

District Cllr Richard Welch reported that a funding application for £2,500 has been submitted for a new inflatable to Settle Swimming Pool. CDC Cllr Welch will also submit a funding application for handrails on the steps on the footbridge over the weir at Stackhouse.

Cllr Ewin-Newhouse reported blocked drains on Stackhouse Lane and Cllr Welch agreed to write to NYCC. Cllr Ewin-Newhouse also reported on CDC's new policy for residents to put refuse bins on the nearest tarmac road and Cllr Welch will arrange a site meeting in Stackhouse to discuss this with affected residents.

PCSO Jayne Grace had sent a written incidents report and between 13th January and 12th February 15 incidents were recorded, notably four reports of highway disruption: cattle on the B6480; one HGV stuck on the verge on Paley Green Lane; one dead deer on Buck Haw Brow; and flooding on A65; as well as two vehicles involved in a RTC on A65.

The Community Messaging Craven was circulated.

385. Matters from previous Meetings not otherwise included on the Agenda

- a. Cllr Coleman reported that the price for cardboard and paper, collected for Settle Swimming Pool, has risen from £0 to £10 per tonne, raising about £300 per month. The Settle Swimming Pool Committee has decided to ask local businesses to make a donation in lieu of them finding a, possibly costly, alternative way to dispose of paper and cardboard and a letter will be sent to all local businesses that use this facility.

386. Planning Applications:

386.1 Received:

- a. CDC: 2019/21165/FUL – erection of agricultural building and hard standing, construction of access track and (retrospective) works to widen site entrance, earthworks, and native hardwood planting comprising beech, oak, hawthorn, rowan, and holly, Agricultural Building, land at top of Buck Haw Brow.

The Council **agreed** to resend the comments it had provided on the earlier planning application for the same development and to add that any likely run-off water would exacerbate the water problems and subsequently potential flooding of Tems Beck in the village. Councillors believe that run-off water should be taken off site.

386.2 Decisions

- a. CDC: 2019/21107/LBC – proposed re-roofing, replacement of windows, alterations to kitchen, house bathroom and other internal alterations; replacement of central heating system and all associated pipework; removal of external rendered chimney stack, Bankwell, Bankwell Road ***granted***
- b. CDC: 2019/21284/AGRRES – Prior approval for proposed conversion of existing agricultural barn to dwelling house (C3), Crag Laithe, Close House Farm ***refused***
- c. CDC: 2019/21208/LBC – Listed building consent application for levelling of floors; covering dado panel to snug; re-pointing front garden wall, Well House, Bankwell Road ***granted***
- d. CDC: 2019/21307/HH – Single storey rear extension and rear dormer loft conversion, 10 Raines Garth ***withdrawn***

386.3 Other Planning Matters

- a. CDC: ENF/03133/2019 discharge of surface water from driveway on Bankwell Road
The Council was **informed** that the drainage work has been completed. The Council **agreed** to keep monitoring the situation and report back if the situation justifies a further review.

- b. to note reply from CDC Planning regarding Settle Town Council's preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan
The Council **noted** the reply from CDC Planning Local Development Framework that, where a town or parish council propose to prepare a neighbourhood plan, there is a presumption that the neighbourhood area will be the same as, or smaller than, the parish boundary. Adjacent parish/town councils may agree to work in partnership to produce a joint neighbourhood plan, however, if there is no such agreement then a joint neighbourhood plan cannot be prepared between two parish councils. Craven District Council noted that Giggleswick Parish Council agreed at its meeting held on the 12th November that it had not agreed to engage in partnership with Settle Town Council in terms of preparing a joint Neighbourhood Plan.

387. To receive reports and reach decisions on various village matters.

387.1 The Harrison Playing Fields

- Regarding the paths improvement the Council was **informed** that NYCC guidance proposes a path to be 1.5 metre wide. The Council **decided** to ask for two quotations by a professional firm for a path from the Glebe Field along the verge to the existing path that links Raines Road with Bankwell Road. The Council **agreed** that Cllr Bradley will write the tender for this project, which will also include a separate item to lay a more narrow path from the bus shelter to the back of the properties of Tems Street through the children's play area.

- The Council **agreed** to discuss the purchase of new items of junior and adult equipment after the path improvement project has been completed.
- The Council had **received** a reply from the supplier of the two small goals nets that the damage to the nets is either vermin or vandalism. The Council **agreed** to investigate the purchase of a thicker mesh goal nets.
- The Council **noted** the update on the Sport England Active Places Data Platform.

387.2 street lighting matters

The Council had reported LPs 33, 34 and 35 on Tems Street to NYCC for repair. The Council was **informed** that, as engineers from North West Electricity made a temporary repair by connecting properties on Tems Side to a different phase of the supply, the reported faulty LPs worked, albeit that one of them is now working all the time. After consultation with NYCC and as this issue is being addressed by ENW the Council **agreed** to await ENW's completion of repairs.

387.3 to receive an update regarding speed reduction measures on B6480 and update from PFCC

The Council was **informed** that it had received only a short reply from NYCC Highways Officers and that this had not answered the Council's queries. The Council **agreed** to write to NYCC Highways again and request more guidance as to what signage as a gateway feature could be installed and where. The Council also **agreed** to invite the Highways Officers to a site meeting with some of the Councillors to discuss possible locations. In addition, the Council **agreed** to request re-installing the black and white reflectors on both sides of the B6480 and installing an additional sign to warn for the turn off into Mill Hill Lane, as well as ask for the results of the speed survey that was carried out a while ago in the 30mph zone.

387.4 maintenance responsibility for Bucks Lane

The Council had made enquiries to NYCC Highways regarding possible adoption of Bucks Lane and it **noted** the reply that NYCC Highways will not be adopting Bucks Lane and do not have any intention to do so. The road in question would be required to be brought up to adoptable standard for it to be considered. The Council **agreed** to send this information to the parishioner who had asked the Parish Council to investigate this issue.

387.5 seat at Belle Hill

The Council had **received** a letter from a parishioner if it would consider repairing the bench at the bottom of Belle Hill. The Council **agreed** to ask for a quotation and report back at the next Parish Council meeting.

387.6 Giggleswick Village Hall

The Council has **received** a limited response and it **agreed** to make a list of available meeting facilities in the parish. The Council also **agreed** to include this item on the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting on 14th April.

387.7 Giggleswick Community Public Access Defibrillator NCPAD314

The Council had **received** notification from the local Giggleswick Community First Responders, as well as from Yorkshire Ambulance Service that the battery in the cabinet located at Puddle Croft, Church Street, opposite the primary school, is in need of replacement. The Council **agreed** to purchase a new battery from Wel Medical for £203.94, inclusive of VAT.

387.8 ownership of bridge over Tems Street

The Council had **received** a letter from Coles Solicitors if it would consider accepting possession of the footbridge over Tems Beck opposite Tems Street 7 and 8. The Council **agreed** to ask for further information, in particular if this bridge is listed; who is the owner of this bridge; and has a structural survey been carried out recently, before considering such a proposed gift.

387.9 proposed skateboard park at former Settle Middle School site

The Council **noted** an email from Mr Jon Holden, NYCC Head of Property Service, Strategic Resources, that NYCC is not prepared to progress an agreement with Settle Town Council at this stage in respect of land at the former Middle School site to enable the development of the proposed skate park. NYCC has been working with a number of stakeholders for some time to investigate possible future uses of the Middle School site and, therefore, it has concluded that individual areas of the site should not be released until an overall Masterplan has been developed and agreed. The Parish Council **decided** to ask Mr Holden to keep it informed directly and also to ask if the Council could have a copy of this Masterplan.

387.10 to consider action regarding CDC's the 'Happy to Chat bench' initiative

The Council **agreed** to discuss this item at the next Parish Council meeting.

388. Financial Matters**388.1** Financial Statement to 31 January 2020

The Council **resolved** to accept the Financial Statements to 31st January 2020.

388.2 The Council **approved** payment of the following accounts:

	Net	VAT	Total
G.A Hewitt and Son (strimming all verges)	£560.00	£112.00	£672.00
M. Hill (Clerk's salary)			£466.80

The Council **resolved** to transfer the sum of £1,169.67 from the Building Society Account to the bank account to cover the payments of accounts.

389. To consider and approve Financial Regulations policy document

The Council **considered** the Financial Regulations policy document and it **resolved** to approve this.

390. To receive reports on or Notice of Meetings of Other Bodies.

- * CDC: two Parish Representative vacancies on Standards Committee
- * YDNPA: invitation to Spring Parish Forum, 19 May, Ingleton
- * YLCA: new website. The Council **noted** the launch of this new website.
- * YLCA: weekly White Rose Updates January and February 2020; Yorkshire Day 1 August 2020 poster
- * YDNPA: Dark Skies Reserve status: letter of support; Local Plan 2023-2040: Consultation No.1 – Setting the Agenda to 14th February 2020
- * Community First Yorkshire: volunteering opportunities poster
- * PFCC: precept consultation
- * NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin 2 February 2020
- * YLCA: webinar training January to March; Governance and Accountability – joint practitioners guide;
- * Northern Gas Networks update January 2020

* Rural Services Network: The Rural Bulletins 21/01; 28/01; 04/02; 11/02; Rural Funding Digest February 2020 Edition

* Play Ground e-brochures and flyers from: Earth Anchors; Sovereign Play; Eibe Play; Litter and Recycling bins by Broxap 2020/2021 brochure

391. To determine any Matter not included on this Agenda which the Chairman considers must nevertheless be addressed as a matter of urgency.

There were no matters as a matter of urgency reported.

392. To receive reports/comments on other matters for information only, or for inclusion on a future Agenda

- Regarding the blocked drains on Stackhouse Lane, reported at item 384, the Council **agreed** to write to NYCC Highways and request that these should be cleared.

- Cllr Coleman **reported** that a HGV had got stuck on Paley Green Lane as reported at item 384 in the written police incidents report.

- Cllr Airey **reported** flooding on Paley Green Lane. Cllr Williamson suggested to produce an emergency plan leaflet and will bring an example to the next Parish Council meeting.

393. To confirm the date of the next parish council meeting

The Council **confirmed** the date of the next Parish Council Meeting as Tuesday, the 10th March 2020 at 19.30 hours (7.30 pm) in the Parish Rooms.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.47 hours (9.47 pm).

M. Hill

Clerk to the Council