

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GIGGLESWICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE
12th November 2019

15 Minutes for public participation session

There were no parishioners in attendance.

343. Present

Cllrs Perrings (Chairman), Jones, Airey, Bradley, Coleman, Davidson, Ewin-Newhouse, Greenhalgh and Williamson and with the Clerk in attendance.

344. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

Councillors did not record any Disclosable Pecuniary or Other Interests in relation to items on the Agenda.

345. Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th October 2019

The Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th October 2019 should be confirmed and **signed** by the Chairman, Cllr Perrings, as a true and accurate record.

346. Reports from District and County Councillor and the Police

There was no report from County and District Cllr Richard Welch.

The Council had made enquiries regarding a police incidents report in September where it was reported that youths were smoking weed. It noted the reply by PCSO Helen Stringer that the report was of a group of youths, passing a joint around between themselves on the riverbank near to Queens Rock and school have been spoken to about this. The area is regularly patrolled.

PCSO Jayne Grace had sent a written incidents report and between 1st October and 10th November 19 incidents were recorded which included 6 incidents related to schools; 3 incidents of abandoned calls; 4 road related incidents; 2 incidents of concern for welfare; and one incident each of theft; other force enquiry; domestic and animal concern.

The Community Messaging Craven was circulated.

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

No matters from previous meetings were reported.

348. Planning Applications:

348.1 Received: The Council had not received any planning applications.

348.2 Decisions

The following decisions have been **notified** by the relevant Planning Authorities:

- a. YDNPA: C/31/151C – householder planning permission to raise the roof height of the existing dwelling to provide first floor accommodation, Drumochter, Stackhouse Lane **approved conditionally**
- b. CDC: 2019/20395/HH and 2019/20396/LCB – planning application and Listed Building Consent for retrospective creation of a new access into the front garden of Ivy Fold, including the repair of a wall, blocking of the access through a wall to the rear garden of Ivy Fold. Blocking access to outbuildings to the rear of Ivy Fold. Erection of a wooden fence to mark the garden boundary (front garden) between no. 1 and 2 Ivy Fold, 2 Ivy Fold, Church Street **granted**

- c. YDNPA: C/31/651A – householder planning permission for erection of rear extension and alterations to existing raised patio area, Rowan House, 2, The Mains
- d. CDC: 2019/20973/FUL – Conversion and extension of existing former bungalow to create 2-storey community play group & pre school, The Bungalow, Settle Middle School

Regarding item 348.2b. the Council had received correspondence raising concerns regarding the state of disrepair at Ivy Fold on Church Street and the construction of a fence in the front garden, damage to the front boundary wall and the felling of a tree allegedly carried out without consent. The Council **agreed** to inform the parishioner that Craven District Council has given Listed Building Consent as the planning authority to this planning application.

348.3 Other Planning Matters

- a. CDC: ENF/03133/2019 discharge of surface water from driveway on Bankwell Road
The Council **noted** the reply from the CDC Planning Enforcement Officer that a pump and skip have been installed to take the excess water from the site and that the owners are progressing to get the sewer systems connected. The Council was informed that the situation has not improved and it **agreed** to ask for a further update.
- b. to receive a further update regarding the preparation of a joint Neighbourhood Plan with Settle Town Council
The Council considered further the approach by Settle Town Council to prepare a joint Neighbourhood Plan. The Council had received correspondence from STC that they had agreed on 1st July to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan in partnership with Giggleswick Parish Council. The Council **agreed** that it had not engaged in any partnership, nor has it given any assurances that it would engage in any partnership and it **decided** to withdraw.

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

349.1 The Harrison Playing Fields

- Mrs Perrow had asked the Council if it would consider to put up posters regarding finding the owner of the dog that attacked Mrs Perrow's dog in August on the small strip of land along the children's play area near the Glebe Field. The Council **agreed** that all possible action has already been taken by Mrs Perrow, including informing the police and the dog warden at CDC.
- The Council was **informed** that Mr Robinson has not yet carried out the strimming of the rougher areas around the whole of the Harrison Playing Fields.
- Cllr Bradley **reported** that the goal nets have been strengthened by white rope and the Council **agreed** to reimburse the expenses made.
- Regarding cars parked on the Lower Fellings instead of being parked on the hard standing which is behind the goal posts, the Council **noted** the reply from the Rugby Club Secretary that this will be on the agenda of their next meeting and that this will be adhered to.
- Regarding the recommendations in the RoSPA Inspection Report 2019, the Council **agreed** to ask Playdale Playgrounds to replace some items on the Cable Way and also to replace the seat on the Junior Swing.
- the Council **agreed** to circulate a print out brochure from Kompan Playgrounds and discuss this item further at the next Parish Council meeting. Cllr Williamson **informed** the Council that a report on exercise equipment and costs will be prepared for the next Parish Council meeting.

349.2 street lighting matters

The Council had reported LP38b and LP29 as faulty to NYCC and these have been passed on to their contractors. The Council was **informed** that LP32 has a faulty ENW supply and the old concrete column is in need of replacement. The Council **agreed** to accept the estimate to replace the column with a steel column complete with a 30W LED lantern for £1,920.00.

349.3 to note public meeting with NYCC Highways regarding their decision to not reducing the speed on B6480

The Council **noted** that some 40 parishioners had come to this meeting. The nominated parishioner set out all the hazards that this road faces: the Golf Course entrance and exit and pedestrians crossing; the PROW that crosses this road at the quarry entrance; the quarry itself which is to be developed; Mill Hill Lane junction; the junction into Catteral Hall; and the PROW that crosses this road near the Harts Head.

NYCC Officers clarified their decision that it is not considered appropriate to reduce or alter the speed limit at this time, because the road does not meet the criteria. It would be better to introduce other measures, most notably a gateway feature to better enhance the entry to the village and the change of environment to alter driver behaviour, both on approach to and through the village; and the installation of warning signs where there are hazards.

NYCC agreed to carry out a traffic speed survey within the 30mph speed limit to understand the level of any residual speed on entry to the village.

The Council **agreed** to send a follow-up email to NYCC Highways.

349.4 to receive an update regarding the strimming of the wild flower verge on B6480; to confirm quotations received for strimming of two areas by the swimming pool and the triangle at the top of Belle Hill

The Council **confirmed** its decision to accept the estimate for the strimming of verges as £25.00 + VAT per hour and for the disposal of vegetation as £15.00 + VAT per hour on the wild flower verge on the B6480, the two grass areas by the swimming pool and the triangle at the top of Belle Hill. Mr Robinson will carry out this work as soon as possible.

349.5 to receive update regarding NYCC Highways herbicide spraying in Giggleswick

The Council had sent an email to NYCC Highways that the Parish Council was not informed that glyphosate was sprayed in the village in the proximity of four schools located in the parish. The Council had requested to be notified of any herbicide spraying in the village and it **noted** that it had not received a reply yet from NYCC Highways.

349.6 to receive update regarding pedestrian way on Stackhouse Lane

The Council **noted** the reply from NYCC Highways Project Engineer that there are currently no funds available for highway improvements of this nature. Furthermore, if and when any funds become available, priority will be given to sites where there is a proven collision history. There are no recorded collisions at this location for the past 20 years and, therefore, there is little prospect of this site ever meeting the necessary criteria for such an improvement.

- 349.7** to receive quotation and consider action regarding installation of Christmas Tree
The Council **agreed** to accept the quotation from Lay of the Land to deliver and install a Christmas Tree for the same price as last year, which was £217.80 + VAT. The Council was **informed** that Mr Peter Halliday could provide the necessary work to the concrete slot and the Council **agreed** to contact Mr Halliday and ensure that this work is done before the end of November.
- 349.8** to receive an update regarding wall between Tems Beck and Glebe Field
The Council **noted** the reply from Giggleswick School that they will investigate the reported wall and the tree that is growing out of it at the Glebe Field to see what work is necessary in due course.
- 349.9** to receive an update regarding information panels on Riverside Path
The Council had made enquiries about any progress regarding the replacement of the information panels on the Riverside Path and it **noted** the reply from Ms Debbie Boswell, Stories in Stones Officer, that work on the panels is delayed owing to a computer virus attack that corrupted the files. Ms Boswell will send the draft texts as soon as possible to the Council for its consideration.
- 349.10** to receive an update regarding vegetation encroaching on footpath opposite Craven Arms
The Council **noted** that this work has now been carried out.
- 349.11** to receive an update regarding building rubble on PROW by wall at Woodlands, The Mains
The Council **noted** that the owner has now cleared the building rubble from the PROW.
- 349.12** to receive an update and consider action regarding completion of refurbishment of milestone at Buck Haw Brow
The Council had **received** a report from Settle Town Council that the refurbishment of milestones, including the one at Buck Haw Brow, was completed. Funding had been received from Stories in Stones but there was a shortfall of £150.00 for two milestones. The Council **agreed** to contribute £75.00 for the refurbishment of the milestone in its parish.
- 349.13** to receive an update regarding flooded footpath 63 off Stackhouse Lane to the weir
The Council had **notified** NYCC Paths about the flooded footpath 63 off Stackhouse Lane to the weir and it was **informed** that NYCC Officers will investigate this matter and take appropriate action.
- 349.14** to consider action regarding The Woodland Trust tree planting day event on 30th November
The Council **considered** this item and it **agreed** it would not pursue this at this time.
- 349.15** to consider action regarding VE Day 75: 8th to 10th May 2020
The Council had **received** correspondence from SSAFA the Armed Forces Charity regarding the VE Day 75 commemorative events from 8th to 10th May and it **agreed** to support the ‘Churches’ Ringing Out For Peace’ event on 8th May 2020. As member of the Parish Church Council, Cllr Jones will inform the PCC.

350. Financial Matters**350.1. Financial Statement to 31 October 2019**

The Council **resolved** to accept the Financial Statements to 31st October 2019.

350.2 to consider update regarding receipt of four reminders for payment for grass cutting

The Council **noted** the reply from its former grass cutting contractor regarding this item.

350.3 The Council approved payment of the following accounts:

	Net	VAT	Total
G.A Hewitt and Son (grass cutting Oct)	£280.00	£56.00	£336.00
Cllr Perrings (website renewal expenses)			£237.12
M. Hill (Clerk's salary)			£466.80
Cllr Bradley (white rope expenses)			£ 9.98
Settle Town Council (refurbishment milestone Buck Haw Brow)			£ 75.00
Received:			
Giggleswick School (Mill Hill rent)	£141.00		

The Council **resolved** to transfer the sum of £983.90 from the Skipton Building Society Account to the HSBC Bank account.

350.4 to consider draft budget for finance year 2020-2021

The Council **agreed** to circulate the draft budget and will consider this, as well as determining the precept for the Finance Year 2020-2021, at the next Parish Council meeting.

351. To consider and approve policy document

The Council **agreed** to approve the Financial Regulations policy document

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

- * YLCA: General Election Guidance; White Rose Update Mid-October 2019
- * NYCC: consultation on county council services to 18 November; North Yorkshire Local Access Forum: recruitment of voluntary members poster
- * YDNPA: Management Plan Annual Forum meeting, 29 November, Middleham
- * letter from Embsay with Eastby PC regarding Pig Field development, Skipton
- * Clerks & Councils Direct, November 2019, Issue 125
- * YLCA: finance related training sessions; training in FoI Act 2000 and GDPR; NY strategy for tackling loneliness consultation to 1 December; new guide to tackle loneliness; Webinar training November/December 2019 and January 2020
- * Community First Yorkshire: leadership support for voluntary and community sector consultation; training sessions in November; succession planning 6th November
- * NALC: Chief Executive's Bulletin 25 October; 8 November
- * Rural Services Network: The Rural Bulletin 15, 22 and 29 October & 5 November and Election Special; Rural Funding Digest November 2019 Edition
- * Play Ground e-brochures and flyers from: Earth Anchors; Eibe Play; Wickstead;
- * YLCA: Membership Subscription Fees for 2020/2021
- * CDC: consultation on CCTV in licensed vehicles (taxis) to 8 December 2019

353. 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.

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

- Cllr Williamson **reported** that the Settle Aid in Sickness Fund Trustees' annual meeting will be held on the 13th November.
- Cllr Bradley **reported** that the strip of land along the children's play area by the Glebe Field is very muddy. The Council **agreed** to order a bulk bag of Crusher Run, which will be spread over the mud.
- Cllr Davidson **reported** that the street light opposite his driveway on Raines Road is not working. The Council **agreed** to report this to NYCC.
- Cllr Ewin-Newhouse **reported** that Freda's Nursery Play Group will be moving into the former caretaker's bungalow next to the swimming pool and is subsequently looking for donations. The Council **agreed** it could only consider a donation under Section 137 of the Local Act 2000 to a charity. Cllr Ewin-Newhouse will make enquiries.
- Cllr Airey **handed** £1.30 from the 'penny bun' rent to the Giggleswick Charities.

355. 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 December 2019 at 19.30 hours (7.30 pm) in the Parish Rooms.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.08 hours (9.08 pm).

M. Hill
Clerk to the Council