

LONG PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL
THURSDAY 1st July 2021
MINUTES

4.1 Public participation session of up to 15 minutes to enable parishioners to comment on matters concerning the Parish. This will be conducted in accordance with paragraphs 3(e) and 3(f) of the Council's Standing Orders.

Mrs Attewell asked if the Council would consider asking its lengthsman to carry out some maintenance on Todd Stiles footpath and on the two notice boards. The Council **decided** to consider this request at item 4.8d.

4.2 To receive apologies for non-attendance.

The Council had **received** notification of late attendance by Cllr Lis.

Present: Cllrs Staveley (Chairman), Brierley, Moorby, and Outlaw.

In attendance: Marijke Hill (Parish Clerk & RFO) and three members of the public.

4.3 Code of Conduct and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- a Councillors did not record any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests for the purposes of Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and any other relevant interests under the Parish Council's code of conduct in connection with items on this Agenda.
- b No requests were made for dispensation in connection with items on this Agenda.

4.4 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 3 held in person on 3rd June 2021

The Council **resolved** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 3rd June 2021 should be approved and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Staveley, as a true and accurate record.

4.5 To receive updates on Matters from previous meetings not otherwise included on the Agenda

- a. The Chairman **reported** that the solicitors' advice regarding the Back Green situation has not been received yet and that the Council will continue to pursue this.

4.6 To receive reports from Craven District and North Yorkshire County Councils, the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority and the Police

- a. County Councillor Staveley presented a report and gave a detailed update on the current situation with Covid-19. Regarding infection rates, the county's average infection rate is six times higher than at the start of June, with a high prevalence of the virus amongst 16-29 year olds, people who are unvaccinated or have only just had their first dose of the vaccine. Regarding vaccinations in the county, more than 84% of over 20s have had at least one vaccine dose and 68% have had two doses. Amongst people aged over 60, those figures are both over 90%.
- b. District Councillor Moorby reported that the planning application for the development of land at The Flashes will be going to the CDC's full Planning Committee in the near future and that in the meantime the Working Group is working hard to restore some of the disturbed wildlife to settle back in this area.
Cllr Moorby informed the Council that the ward member community grant scheme is now open for applications and that each Ward Member has £1,000 to be shared between various organisations in both Long Preston and Hellifield.
A decision on the Local Government reorganisation is expected towards the middle of July.
- c. The Council has **received** the NYP written incidents report and **noted** that 13 incidents were reported between 2 and 28 June, notably three road related offences; four road traffic collisions;

and one internet crime fraud. The Council **considered** speed safety matters at item 4.9a. Regarding the incident on crime fraud, the Council **agreed** that Cllr Brierley will write an article in the Parish Magazine and that the Chairman, Cllr Staveley, will make enquiries about setting up a community meeting to address this issue.

4.7 To consider new Planning Applications, Decisions, and Other Planning Matters

a Applications

1 YDNPA: C/52/626C – Householder planning permission for erection of single storey link between existing two storey dwelling and existing single storey additional accommodation, alterations to rear raised patio, window and door openings, additional roof lights, timber gates to side of premises and reinstatement of metal railings and entrance gate to existing front wall, 1, Ivy Cottages, 31 Main Street. The Council **agreed** to support this planning application.

b. Decisions

1 CDC: 2019/21304/FUL and amendment – conversion of Field Barn to a 1 bedroom dwelling with associated access & car parking. Conversion of roadside barn to a 4 bedroom dwelling with associated access & car parking. Partial demolition of a storage barn and conversion of the retained part into a 3 bedroom dwelling with associated access & car parking. Construction of a garage block, and conversion of field barn to a 1 bedroom dwelling, Bend Gate House. **Not yet decided**

2 CDC: 2020/21553/OUT – Outline application with some matters reserved for the development of up to 99 lodges, reception cabin with parking, and landscaping including ground modelling and water features (resubmission of previous application 42/2016/17496 refused 28 March 2019), Amendment received December 2020, Land To The East Of Waterside Lane, Hellifield. **Not yet decided**

3 YDNPA: C/52/74E – householder planning permission for replacement of all existing timber windows and doors with anthracite grey coloured grain effect uPVC windows and doors (part retrospective), Long Meadow, West End. **Withdrawn**

4 YDNPA: C/52/89E – full planning permission for erection of extension to existing agricultural building at Land to north east of Megs Croft, Green Gates Lane. **Not yet decided**

5 YDNPA: C/52/734 – householder planning permission for erection of glazed/masonry extension, and new glazed doors to existing door/window opening, Ivy End, Chapel Walk. **Approved conditionally**

6 YDNPA: C/52/684A – householder planning permission for part removal of wall adjacent to the highway and creation of hardstanding in front of property for vehicle parking, Lochinvar, Church Lane. **Not yet decided**

7 YDNPA: Trees in Conservation Area – notification to fell two Thuja at Fern Hill, Long Preston. **No objection.** To note that the YDNPA has made a recommendation that two replacement trees of native species are planted within the first planting season after felling.

c. Other Planning Matters

There were no other planning matters to be considered.

4.8 To consider action regarding parish maintenance matters

a. street lighting matters

Regarding the two street light connections in Church Street the Council was **informed** that the column in front of Lychgate House was connected, but not the column in front of Lochinvar on the same date. The Council had made enquiries and it **noted** the reply from ENW's Delivery Manager for Business Connections that this will be rectified by 19th July.

b. Playing Fields matters

Cllr Brierley had **informed** the Council that the 4 footholds on the 'swinging logs' need replacing. The Council **resolved** to accept the contractor's quotation for supply and delivery of the parts for £157.10 + VAT. The Council **agreed** to also ask the contractor for a quotation for the installation of the parts and that a decision to accept such quotation could be taken by delegated powers to the clerk after consultation with the Chairman.

Cllr Brierley **informed** the Council that the weekly inspections reveal that the general state of equipment is not very good and the Council **agreed** to invite members of the Playing Field Association to its next meeting in September in order they provide an update in terms of their long term strategy to replace all items of play equipment.

The Council **decided** to obtain a quotation for the purchase of some large 'no dogs' signs for the play area.

c. grass cutting services

Cllr Moorby **informed** the Council that the grass cutting contractor will arrange to have the Kubota mower serviced.

d. lengthsman services

Following the parishioner's request at the public participation session, the Council **agreed** to instruct the lengthsman to clear the overgrown Todd Stiles footpath, one of the four PROWs that the lengthsman maintains on behalf of the YDNPA.

The Council also **agreed** to instruct the lengthsman to paint the two notice boards.

e. remedial works at West End Green

The Council was **informed** that the posts at West End Green, damaged earlier by a supermarket delivery van, are now all re-erected and it **decided**, therefore, to not take further action.

f. NYCC Highways matters

Cllr Moorby **informed** the Council that the road repair works to the A65 through the village are in progress and that NYCC Highways has confirmed that the footpath at Ribble Crescent will also be repaired by them.

4.9 To consider action regarding parish matters other than maintenance

a. report from the VAS Working Group

The Council was **informed** that the installation of a VAS on private land may have legal implications and it **resolved** to proceed with a NYCC recommended VAS to be used on two posts and rotated between three positions, all on the A65 to the north of the Maypole Inn. The Council was further **informed** that the costs of a VAS could be funded from capital funds, leaving an expected £8,175 in capital funds at the end of this finance year; approximately 34% of its precept. The Council had received two quotations and it **agreed** to make further enquiries regarding the inclusion of certain accessories. The Council **resolved** to procure one VAS for a ceiling sum of no more than £3,700 + reclaimable VAT. The Council **agreed** to contact the NYCC Senior Engineer in regards to the legal agreement that is required between the two parties. The Council **decided** to keep pursuing the installation of average speed cameras on the Gisburn Road as the NYCC Senior Engineer had not found a suitable location for a VAS unit at the junction with the B682.

b. parishioners' allotment interest

The Council **agreed** to continue to gauge parishioners' interest by writing an article in the Parish Magazine before it will consider contacting potential landowners asking them if they would consider leasing or selling their land to the Parish Council.

4.10 Finance

- a. The Council **resolved** to approve the Financial Statements and Report to 25th June and **noted** the total balance as £16,561 of which £4,965 in revenue and £12,175 in capital funds.
- b. The Council **approved** the payment of the following accounts:-
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| Vodafone direct debit wifi Hall | £ 24.57 |
| E.ON (electricity May) | £ 92.95 |
| Sharon Press (parish magazine July) | £ 186.50 |
| Grass cutter contractor (grass cutting June) | £ 469.03 |
| NYCC (street light repair SL001 at West End) | £ 478.51 |
| Cllr Moorby (expenses time belt Torro £8.93 & spare key £5.00) | £ 13.93 |
| Clerk (salary & expenses June) | £ 583.10 |

4.11 Reports on or Notice of meetings of Other Bodies

* YLCA: Craven Annual Branch meeting 23/6; White Rose Update 18/6; Law and Governance Bulletin 16/6; Training Bulletin 4/6 and July 2021

* CDC: Craven Pitch Strategy update – parish council consultation

The Council **agreed** to ask members of the Playing Fields Association for their comments.

4.12 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 not otherwise included on this Agenda to be determined.

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

The Council **agreed** to include the following items on the agenda at the meeting in September:

- organisation of Christmas lights switch-on 2021;
- to discuss the opportunity for re-planting an Oak Tree and consider a location;
- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2 June 2022.

4.14 Date and time of the next Parish Council meeting

The Council **confirmed** that the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd September 2021 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55 pm.

Marijke Hill
Clerk to the Council