

**Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 29th September 2022 in the Reading Room at 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** E March (Chairman) D Fisher R Houseman P Trehwhitt M Worsnop District Councillor Tom Watson + the clerk

**APOLOGIES:** County Councillor Nathan Hull and C Packer

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – None

**PARISHIONERS QUESTIONS** None

**MINUTES** - It was proposed by D Fisher and seconded by M Worsnop and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> July be confirmed as a correct record with one amendment relating to an update on the BIB report and was signed by the Chairman

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** - Has arranged a meeting with Highways to discuss the the ongoing problems on Wreaks Road

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – District Councillor Tom Watson informed us that the Hydro complex will not open until next May/June. They have had to rethink the heating system it will now use air sourced heat pumps – no gas anymore and it will be carbon neutral after the refit. There will be 6 new electric parking points in the car park. A large Government grant has been received for the work but will not cover the total cost of all the modernisation and refurbishment. In April 2023 Harrogate Council will appoint Chartered Trustees to run un-parished areas these will be elected members of the new council and a local Mayor will be elected.

**UPDATES:**

**The Play Area** - The playground annual inspection will take place in Sept/Oct. It was proposed by P Trehwhitt seconded by D Fisher and unanimously agreed that the quote (£1,545 + VAT) from Park Lane Playgrounds for repairs to certain items of play equipment including removing existing panels on the multi unit to an approved tip and replace the panels with sheets of HDPE should be undertaken as soon as possible. Some fencing and wood structures also need attention/replacing and quotes are being sought and we may apply for a small Wind Farm Grant to cover the cost. Two safety checks per month are being carried out. It was decided to take down the Covid signs for the present. We are also looking at erecting a sign in the play area asking anyone who notices any faults to contact the Clerk immediately.

**Highways:** Our County Councillor Nathan has arranged a meeting in the near future with Highways and Edward, Nathan and a rep from Highways will look at the problems on Wreaks Road, pinch point and other areas which have been causing us concerns for some time. Cobblers Cottage on the side of the pinch point has got severe problems with damp and also the bungalow on the other side of the road. The following suggestions were put forward by Councillors - extend the 20 mph speed limit – slow down sign by the playground, yellow lines over the goit and sleeping policemen near the playground. The Holmes's development a path has been laid at the bottom of the site where it was originally agreed by HBC. However negotiations with DH and Highways took place with the intention of re-siting the path onto the main road but no concrete decision had been made and residents of Collin Spring Court are not happy with the route it now takes. The HBC Housing Manager has visited the back of Broomfield and is looking into our concerns regarding rubbish/tree branches etc which have been dumped. An extra 20 Sand bags will be delivered shortly

**BIB** – National Tree Planting Week is from 27<sup>th</sup> Nov - 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. Alan Gilliard the Councils TPO specialist will meet our Chairman shortly to decide where to put the Platinum Jubilee trees.

**Litter Bins:** A new litter bin will be placed in the playground area next Tuesday – it will mean removing a small area of fencing and the mill manager has given permission.

**Grass Cutting:** A second verge grass cut will take place shortly

**A/c's approved for payment proposed by R Houseman seconded by D Fisher all were in favour**

<b>Richard Langley</b>	Grass strimming	chq 218	£ 37.50
“ “	Clearing around bus shelter	chq 219	£ 30.00
<b>HM Customs &amp; Excise</b>	Tax quarter 1	Chq 220	£ 9.00
“ “	Tax quarter 2	Chq 221	£ 1.60
<b>J Worsnop</b>	Salary July/Aug/Sept	Chq 222	£547.85)
<b>J Worsnop</b>	Expenses and office	Chq 222	£151.25)

<b>Vision ICT Ltd</b>	Website changes for Operation London Bridge	Chq 223	£ 42.00
<b>British Gas</b>	Elec a/c Jly to Aug	DD	£ 14.36
<b>British Gas</b>	Elec a/c 6.8.22 to 31.08.22	DD	£ 12.04
<b>HBC</b>	Rent for garage in Broomfield	DD	£ 60.00

**Proposed Nidderdale Greenway:** In due course the Councillors' felt that it would be necessary to have a public meeting which will need to be held at a large enough venue for everyone to have their say either for or against the proposal of the Nidderdale Greenway proposed by P Trehitt seconded by R Houseman

**Yorkshire Dales Green Lanes Alliance :** Re: Tinklers Lane being entered on the Definitive Map as a bridleway. At present it is entered only on the List of Streets as an Unclassified Unsealed Road. The historical research that has been done means that the track can now be classified properly, as a bridleway. The track runs from Birstwith House on Darley Road across New Bridge, and up to the Burnt Yates – Pateley road opposite Bennycarr Farm. The PC agreed to write to N Y rights of way department supporting this application.

**Balsam in Birstwith:** Stuart Gregory is a member of Knaresborough Anglers and they own a large part of the Nidd between Killinghall and Hampsthwaite where he leads on the habitat and maintenance work – tree planting, spawning, invasive species control such as balsam etc. I am pleased to say that they have now collected seed from 15 sites spread out between Pateley Bridge and Killinghall. The seeds from these sites are now being dried and will be sent off to CABI, the research establishment for testing at the end of the month. The results will be available next Spring. The sites susceptible to the rust will then be sprayed four times next Summer and then closely monitored to record spread

#### **Planning Applications:**

6.91.246.F.TPO 22/02870/TPO – Works to 1 Oak of Preservation Order no 63/2008 T1 due to the tree becoming extremely expansive, blocking light and falling branches – safety concerns. Crown lift by 3 to 3.5 metres Lateral reduction by up to 3.5 m on all sides of the tree 2 Station Plantation Birstwith HG3 3AQ – **No observations informed HBC no meeting in August**

**6.91.130.F.FUL 21/05179/FUL** Change of use of outbuilding to form single storey one bedroom dwelling to include: replacing rendered blockwork with stone, the installation of a fence and alterations and additional fenestration Holly Garth Swalewood Lane High Birstwith HG3 2JN – **Observation none - email sent to planners requesting an extension but no reply received**

**6.91.193.G.FUL 22/03432/FUL** Erection of single storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration including replacing all windows and doors with Aluminium/uPVC – Lister Barn Back Road High Birstwith HG3 2JG **Observations: 1 In the AONB 2 Out of keeping to use Aluminium windows and doors will detract from original building**

**Planning Granted:** Removal of rear conservatory and the erection of a single storey rear extension – Monksway Nidd Lane Birstwith – **Subject to Conditions**

**Planning Decision:** 6.91.276.C.DISCON 22/02450/DISCON approval of details in respect to Barn 3 under condition 3 (PART APPROVAL – Approval of remediation details only) and condition 4 (materials) of planning permission 20/05115/FUL Conversion of cow shed to form single dwelling (approved under appeal reference APP/E2734/W/21/3283129) Hew Green Farm High Birstwith

**Planning Enforcements :** **Case No. 22/00327/PR15** Demolition of agricultural building not in compliance with approved conversion Hew Green Farm High Birstwith **Outcome:** Any further development of this building has ceased pending new application to seek permission to re-build the walls of the barn

**Case No. 22/00316/PR15** COU of agricultural land into domestic garden at Hew Green Farm High Birstwith HG3v2JL **Outcome:** The ground works have occurred outside the red edge of the approved planning permission. The Officer has requested that planning permission is required to extend the domestic curtilage

**Case No. 22/00328/PR15** Erection of marquee and creation of residential cottage - Prospect Coach House High Lane Birstwith

Meeting closed at 9.05 pm v

**Date of next meeting**

Thursday 27th October 2022

Signed by Chairman

Date

