

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting held on Thursday 28th April 2016 at 7.45pm in the Reading Room

Present: E March (Chairman) D Britton J Elvidge R Houseman M Worsnop J Worsnop (Clerk) & District Cllr C Hill

APOLOGIES: C Packer County Cllr M Harrison

- 2 Declaration of interest:** R Houseman declared an interest in the planning application for Prospect Coach House High Birstwith
- 3 Minutes** - It was proposed by R Houseman and seconded by J Elvidge and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 24th March 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman
- 4 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – No personal report in his absence but emailed following updates: Clint Bank he is trying to establish the nature and timing of the works planned for this year. Speeding – He is awaiting an answer from the Speed Protocol people on the data from our community speed watch. He is trying to establish if this is sufficient evidence to enable our plans for a matrix sign to proceed
- 5 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – This was Christine's last attendance at our PC Meeting as she is retiring from the post in May. She stated that there did not seem to be a lot interest in the NY Police and Crime Commissioner Election which will be held on the same day as the Lower Nidderdale Borough Election. She also stated Burnt Yates PC have written to NYHighways regarding overgrown saplings etc on Clint Bank
- 6 PARISHIONERS' QUESTIONS** - None
- 7 UPDATES REGARDING:**
Play Area - The Chairman had a meeting with the Mill Manager, Mr Simon Bridge as to Parish Council concerns regarding the field gate and walls along Wreaks Road. The Chairman was informed this was of concern to him and in actual fact a contractor had already been appointed to do the necessary work. The mole situation seems to have resolved itself. The damage to the Play Area entrance and the Mill field caused by the flooding has now been reinstated. The Chairman and Parish Clerk are to look into signage for the play area regarding contacts, telephone numbers and addresses in case of emergencies
Highway Matters – D Holmes has agreed to cut trees back on Clint Bank in conjunction with NY Highways
Neighbourhood Watch -two people have expressed interest in this position
Stone Bus Shelter – The clerk wrote to 3 local contractors asking if they would quote for painting the inside of the bus shelter and received only one reply. It was proposed by R Houseman seconded by M Worsnop that Nigel Martin's quote should be accepted all in favour
Birstwith in Bloom – awaiting information from the BHS committee
Nidderdale Strategic Partnership – Report from our Chairman who attended the meeting. The partnership suggested in light of the results highlighted during the recent Speed Watch exercise, the Parish Council should contact the Chief Constable regarding speeding through Birstwith and the possibility of speed cameras been employed. The 24 Bus Service operators Trans Dev are hoping to operate double decker buses once the Highways Dept have trimmed the over hanging trees along the route, thus elevating problems of buses being full by the time they get to Hampsthwaite. As from the 31st May the first Bus will leave Pateley Bridge at 6.50 am this will allow commuters to catch the 8am Leeds bus from Harrogate
- 8 Planning Application:**
Erection of garage and home office 6.91.90.C.FUL 16/01133/FUL Prospect Coach House High Lane High Birstwith HG3 2JL for Mr B Peters – The information received does not show where this building is to be sited so are unable to comment

Planning Approval: Dale Cottage Sleights Lane High Birstwith for Mr P Newton (**Subject to conditions**)

9 Accounts approved for payment: Proposed by R Houseman and seconded by D Britton that the following accounts be paid:

Came & Company	Insurance	cheque no 001020	£559.24
J Worsnop	Transparency Fund Grant		
	For designing, setting up, training etc	cheque no 001021	£467.00

HBC Ground Maintenance grant – NOW RECEIVED £83.01

10 Correspondance:

HBC – PC Community Group – Bulb/wildflower scheme - Agreed to take up offer for a bag of Snowdrops

Parish Council Election Notices placed in notice boards

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Date of next meeting 19th May 2016 AGM

Signed

Dated