

BIRSTWITH PARISH COUNCIL

An Open meeting took place to allow parishioners to view the last ten properties of the West House Farm Development held in the Church Hall at 7.15pm – 7 visitors attended on Thursday 24th November 2016 followed by the Ordinary meeting at 7.45pm

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting below:

Present: E March (Chairman) J Elvidge R Houseman C Packer M Worsnop County Cllr Michael Harrison, District Cllr Nathan Hull & J Worsnop (Clerk)

1 **APOLOGIES:** D Britton

2 **Declaration of interest:** Carol Packer declared an interest in the Planning Appeal for Dairy House Birstwith

3 **Minutes** - It was proposed by J Elvidge and seconded by M Worsnop and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27th October 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

4 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – County Cllr Harrison reported that a Killinghall bypass will go ahead but is in the very early stages of discussion. Road casualty survey had been carried out picking out Black Spot areas and money will be spent to try and alleviate the problems. However there are no Black Spots in our area. The Boundary Commission – Harrogate areas should not be affected by the changes. Curbing from Clint Bank to Burnt Yates – contractors have returned as the workmanship was poor and this is a free fix at no cost to rate payers

5 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – Dist Cllr Hull the new draft plan is now available for inspection. Notices of where the draft plan can be viewed are posted in the Notice Boards. This is a long term plan but anyone with strong feelings should make their representation asap

6 **UPDATES REGARDING:**

Play Area: John Elvidge reported minor repairs needed to be carried out and these will be done shortly.

Highways Still problems on Hampsthwaite Lane with running water Yorkshire Water doing some tests. Drains outside School House new cast iron covers have now been fitted. Vehicles parked on bend near Collin Bank still a problem. Saplings on Darley Road still to be removed from obstructing footpath. Piece of land rear of Collin Bank definitely belongs to HBC.

Telephone Kiosk Station Road – Notices have been placed on village notice boards and in the Church magazine: re the sponsoring of the glass panels. The cost of engraving the panels will be approximately £50 each. Possibility of some funding from the Wind Farm and the Heritage Lottery Fund

Report from NY Highways meeting held in Darley. To be circulated to Councillors

BHS 'Birstwith in Bloom' - The PC have never received a plan of the proposed work to be carried out by the Bloom Committee. The PC representative C Packer has not been invited to any of their meetings and 2 plant troughs have now appeared one outside Greenwood House and one on Lackon Bank grass verge. NY Highway approval needs to be obtained and who owns the troughs - is it the BHS and does their public liability insurance cover these items? The Clerk to write to Maureen Smith.

7 **HBC – Budget figures** for Parish Precept 2017/2018 – The Councillors' were given the proposed Budget figures and they were approved by R Houseman and seconded by M Worsnop and were unanimously accepted. The precept has been increased significantly as costs are rising yearly due to Government cut backs and NY Highways will no longer be responsible for cutting grass verges, playground etc

8 **Planning Applications**

Approval of Reserved Matters – Major -Reserved matters application for the appearance and scale of plots 4 -7,10,11, 18 and 25-27 subject to outline application 13/04164/OUTMAJ (“Erection of 14 open market and 13 affordable dwellings”) 6.91.136.R.REMMAJ 16/04539/REMMAJ

West House Farm Nidd Lane to West House Farm and Clint Cottage Birstwith HG3 3AW for Mr D Holmes -**Observations**

- 1 Increase size of the properties from the original plan. Some appear to be 20% larger than on the original outline planning application.
- 2 Larger properties will inevitable put additional pressure on the infrastructure which we believe is already overloaded
- 3 Your policy states as a reason for conditions when you granted the previous approval of this site 'In the interests of proper planning and for the avoidance of doubt'. If this is the case to approve this current application would not comply with the above statement due to the fact these 10 dwellings appear to be 20% larger than the original outline approval.

The clerk was asked to write to Rebecca Burnett Cabinet Member for planning regarding why BPC had not received the approved planning grant/conditions for Mr Holmes's previous application for 17 dwellings

Demolition and erection of outbuilding and formation of access track through field (revised scheme) 6.91.117.I.FUL 16/04502/FUL Grange Farm Sleights Lane High Birstwith HG3 2LE for Mr I Thompson – No Observations

Conversion of roof to form additional living accommodation to include raising ridge height, Erection of dormer windows and alteration to fenestration (revised plan) 6.91.263.A.FUL 16/03552/FUL – Belcarra Nidd Drive Birstwith for Dale Bailey – Observations –

- 1 Refer to our previous observations last August.
- 2 Still concerned about lifting the pitch of the roof in this revised application

Planning Permission Granted subject to conditions – Birstwith Cricket Ground -erection of implement shed

Planning Permission Granted subject to conditions – Demolition of agricultural building and erection of up to 5 dwellings with access considered – West House Farm – for David Holmes Farming Co

Planning Appeal Dairy House Birstwith – Erection of Porch (revised scheme) for Mr G Packer

Planning Refusal: Monks Close Nidd Lane Birstwith HG3 3AL for Mr & Mrs Peters

Accounts approved for payment proposed J Elvidge seconded by C Packer all agreed

HBC	Annual rent for Notice Board	DD	£15.00
British Gas	Electricity account	DD	£21.87
Lights for Fun	Lights for Christmas Tree	001036	£88.30
Ray Skelton	Grass Maintenance	001037	£680.40

11 Correspondence -

NYCC – Planned road closure notification – 10893 Lackon Bank for 1 day between 1st December and 31st March 2017

HBC – Draft Local Plan – six week consultation between 11 November and 23 December 2016
Details in Notice Boards

HBC – Local Government Boundary Commission see County Cllr Harrison's report

Date of next meeting: 26th January 2017

Meeting closed at 10 pm

Signed

Dated

